

MINUTES OF THE
BLANCHARD MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 11, 2013
7:00 O'CLOCK

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Lee, Alderpersons Ashby, Jones, Prewett, and Whittington, Atty. Tom Arceneaux, Lonnie Smith, David Yeates, Drew Verner from Balar, Eric Barkley with CenterPoint Energy, and Town Clerk-Debra Smith.

Absent: Mayor Digilormo.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Prewett.

Invocation given by Arceneaux.

Questions and Statements of Citizens: None

Motion by Prewett to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of May 14, 23, 2013. Second by Jones. All voted yea.

OLD BUSINESS

Public Hearing on Ordinance 5 of 2013-Franchise fee agreement with CenterPoint Energy.

Public Hearing opened at 7:01 p.m. There being no comments, the hearing closed at 7:02 p.m.

Vote on Ordinance 5 of 2013-Franchise fee agreement with CenterPoint Energy.

ORDINANCE 5 of 2013

An Ordinance granting CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., D/B/A CenterPoint Energy Louisiana Gas, the right to construct, install, operate, and maintain facilities for the transportation, distribution, and sale of gas in the Municipality and, for such purposes, to use and excavate in the public highways, streets, sidewalks, alleys, squares, commons, grounds, and other publicly owned areas and levying a Franchise (Privilege) Tax for that purpose, and an Ordinance superseding Ordinance 14 of 2012 of December 11, 2012.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard, Louisiana, that this ordinance supersedes Ordinance 14 of 2012 of December 11, 2012, in its entirety; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard, Louisiana:

ARTICLE I.

GRANT OF NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE & TERM

CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Louisiana Gas, its successors and assigns, hereinafter called "Grantee," is hereby granted a nonexclusive right to construct, install, operate, and maintain in the Town of Blanchard, as now and hereafter constituted (hereinafter, the "Municipality"), pipelines and related facilities for the transportation, distribution, delivery, and sale of gas and for such purposes to use, and excavate in, the public highways, bridges, streets, sidewalks, alleys, squares, commons, grounds, and other publicly owned areas for a period of twenty-five (25) years. Following the first twenty-five (25) year term, the term shall annually automatically renew for one-year periods unless either party gives notice of termination at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the then-current term.

ARTICLE II.

STANDARD FOR INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE; RELOCATION

Grantee's facilities shall be installed and operated in a workman-like manner. Grantee, in the construction, reconstruction, or adjustment of its pipelines or any related facilities, shall not take up or excavate any pavement or street, alley, or other public place without first providing reasonable notice of same and the method to be used to the Mayor or his duly authorized agent(s), except in the case of an emergency, in which case Grantee shall provide notice to Municipality at the same time and manner as Grantee notifies local law enforcement authorities and any other emergency response entity. Emergency shall mean any crisis situation which poses an imminent threat or danger to life, health, or property, and which requires immediate action.

Grantee shall tunnel beneath paved streets, sidewalks, and alleys wherever practical in laying and replacing mains. Grantee shall refill its excavations and restore sidewalks and pavements promptly, and if such refill or restoration is not commenced within a reasonable time, then it may be done by the Municipality at Grantee's expense.

Grantee's lines shall be laid so as not to interfere with the present sewer and/or water system. Additionally, Grantee's lines shall be located so as to cause minimum interference with any and all other public use systems in the Municipality and with the rights and reasonable convenience of property owners who own property that adjoins property of Municipality. If, during the course of Grantee's construction, installation, or maintenance of its gas system or related facilities, there occurs a disturbance of any property of Municipality by Grantee, Grantee shall replace and restore such property to a condition reasonably comparable to the condition of the property existing immediately prior to such disturbance.

If Municipality shall lawfully elect to vacate, relocate, abandon, alter, reconstruct, or change any of Municipality's property, Grantee, upon reasonable advance written notice by Municipality via certified mail to Grantee, shall remove, re-lay and relocate its structure, equipment, and facilities at its own expense. Should Grantee refuse or fail to remove any such structure, equipment, or facilities within sixty (60) days after such written notice, Municipality shall have the right to seek injunctive relief without the necessity of posting bond, with Grantee to reimburse Municipality for court costs and reasonable attorney's fees. On the request of any third person holding a lawful building moving permit, Grantee shall protect, support, raise, lower, temporarily disconnect, relocate in or remove from any of Municipality's property, as necessary, any property of the Grantee provided: (i) the expense of such is paid by such third person benefiting from the relocation; and (ii) Grantee is given reasonable advance written notice to prepare for such changes (such reasonable advance written notice shall be no less than sixty (60) days in the event of a temporary relocation and no less than one hundred twenty (120) days for a permanent relocation). However, if any relocation of Grantee's pipelines and/or related facilities is required as a result of any project of the United States federal government or any project financed in whole or in part by the United States federal government, then the Municipality shall pay Grantee the costs and expenses incurred by Grantee in relocating Grantee's pipelines and/or related facilities up to but not greater than the total finances provided in connection with any such project by the United States federal government.

This Municipality may inspect Grantee's construction work at any time, or have said work inspected by a qualified engineer.

ARTICLE III.

INDEMNIFICATION & HOLD HARMLESS

Grantee shall indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Municipality from any and all acts, omissions, claims, demands, or causes of action for injuries and damages to persons or property caused by or arising out of Grantee's construction, renewing, maintenance, operation, removal, adjustment, or repair of Grantee's gas delivery or transmission system, or by virtue of Grantee conducting such business in the Municipality; provided, however, that nothing herein

shall be construed to require Grantee to indemnify the Municipality or any person from or against any liability attributable to Municipality or its employees, agents, or representatives. Grantee shall maintain throughout the term of this franchise, comprehensive general liability insurance in such amounts and with such carriers as set forth in one or more resolutions of Municipality setting forth the Municipality's policy for such insurance, covering and affecting Grantee's operations in the Municipality. Grantee shall notify the Town of cancellation of such policy(ies) at least 30 days in advance of such cancellation.

ARTICLE IV.

MAPS & INVENTORY OF FACILITIES

Grantee shall provide Municipality, upon reasonable advance notice, the opportunity to inspect at Grantee's local offices: (1) such maps, plats, and/or drawings as the Municipality may request which depict the location of all gas pipelines and other related facilities used for the transmission and distribution of gas within the corporate limits of the Municipality, costs for any reproduction of such to be borne by the Municipality; (2) an inventory of all equipment, structures, and facilities comprising Grantee's gas system within the corporate limits of the Municipality; (3) a description of any and all anticipated construction, major maintenance, and installation activities which shall include the specific locations and the beginning and ending dates of all projects to be commenced during the next calendar year, and the tentative locations and beginning and ending dates for all projects contemplated for the two-year period following the next calendar year; and (4) names of all contractors acting or working on behalf of Grantee within the Municipality along with the name and home, office, and mobile (cellular or other) telephone numbers of a person with authority to act on behalf of such contractor(s) in case of emergency. Grantee shall keep all of the information required by this Article IV current at all times by providing Municipality written notice of any and all changes.

ARTICLE V.

CONNECTION POINT AND SERVICE STANDARDS

The point of delivery of gas to the consumer shall be at the inlet to the consumer's meter, and service pipe and facilities necessary to safely receive and utilize the gas at and beyond that point of delivery shall be furnished and maintained by the consumer, except that Grantee shall furnish and connect the gas meter. Title to all equipment installed by Grantee shall remain in Grantee, and Grantee shall have the unqualified right to use, extend, repair, replace, change, abandon, or remove facilities installed under the authority of this grant or any other facilities as it may determine to be necessary or desirable from time to time in the ordinary course of its business. Grantee will not be obligated to commence, extend or continue any particular gas service by means of facilities installed under the authority of this grant or any other facilities except as Grantee may determine the prudent management and use of its present and future gas supply and facilities to permit and in accordance with Grantee's applicable rates, rules, regulations, policies, and procedures, including curtailment procedures, as the same may exist and be changed from time to time. Grantee may promulgate and enforce reasonable rules, regulations, and requirements governing the sale, delivery, receipt, and use of gas furnished by Grantee and the commencement and discontinuance of gas service, all in accordance with applicable law.

ARTICLE VI.

RATES

Grantee's rates currently effective in this Municipality for gas service shall continue in effect until raised or lowered in the manner provided by law. In consideration of this grant, beginning on the date Grantee files its written acceptance of this ordinance, as provided for in Article VII hereinbelow, and thereafter for as long as this ordinance remains in effect in accordance with its terms, Grantee shall pay to the Municipality, four percent (4 %) of Grantee's gross receipts from gas sales to residential and commercial customers located inside the city limits ("Gross Receipts"). If the total amount of all such taxes, fees, levies, or charges for which Grantee is

liable exceeds the 4% percent gross proceeds of such revenues, the amount in excess of such 4% percent shall be paid to the Municipality by the Grantee. Amounts due hereunder shall be computed quarterly, for the periods ending March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31, and payments shall be made within thirty (30) days after the expiration of the quarter with respect to which payment is due.

During the period of the franchise herein granted and upon Grantee's payment of amounts due and payable as set forth in this Article VI, Grantee shall furnish to Municipality with such payment a statement certified as to accuracy by Grantee showing the Gross Receipts derived by Grantee from the distribution and sale of gas to residential, commercial, and industrial customers within the corporate limits of Municipality.

ARTICLE VII.

ACCEPTANCE AND CONTINUANCE FOR TERM

This franchise ordinance will not be effective unless it is accepted by Grantee by written notice delivered or mailed to the Mayor within ninety (90) days after the date of its passage and publication as required by law. Upon its timely acceptance, this ordinance shall continue in effect for a period of twenty-five (25) years from the date of its passage and approval as indicated below. This term shall automatically renew for one-year periods unless either party gives notice of termination at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the then-current term.

ARTICLE VIII.

FORFEITURE

The Municipality may at any time declare a conditional forfeiture of this grant for a continuing violation by Grantee of any of the terms hereof. In such event, the Municipality shall give written notice, specifying all grounds on which forfeiture is claimed, by certified mail addressed, and delivered to Grantee, to the attention of its President. The Grantee shall have sixty (60) days after receipt of such notice within which to discontinue the violation, or to file suit in a court of competent jurisdiction for an adjudication or declaration of the rights of the parties with respect to the forfeiture of the franchise. No forfeitures shall be effective unless and until (1) the Grantee shall have continued such violation or violations for more than sixty (60) days after receipt of such written notice from the Municipality without filing such suit, or (2) Grantee shall have continued such violation or violations for more than sixty (60) days (or such other longer period as the court in its discretion shall allow) after the entry or affirmance in a court of last resort of a final judgment finding and establishing the existence of such violation or violations, and that such violation or violations are sufficiently substantial to warrant forfeiture, and decreeing forfeiture as a consequence thereof.

ARTICLE IX.

SEVERABILITY

The provisions hereof are intended to be separate and severable, and the holding of any portion hereof to be invalid shall not affect the other portions.

Motion made by Whittington to adopt Ordinance 5 of 2013. Second by Ashby.

Roll call vote:

YEAS: Ashby, Jones, Prewett, and Whittington

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Lee served as Mayor Pro Tem

And Ordinance 5 of 2013 was adopted this 11th day of June, 2013.

Public Hearing on Ordinance 6 of 2013-Amend 2012-2013 Budget

Public Hearing opened at 7:03 p.m. There being no comments, the hearing closed at 7:04 p.m.

Vote on Ordinance 6 of 2013-Amend 2012-2013 Budget

60-1000 · General Govt Expenses				
60-1001 · Aldermen Fees	6,000.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00
60-1002 · Notary Fees	0.00	10.00	0.00	71.00
60-1003 · Inspection Fees Expenses	31,500.00	28,870.00	33,705.00	22,000.00
60-1004 · Town Secretary	4,800.00	4,600.00	5,400.00	5,400.00
60-1005 · Ordinance Exp	60.00	20.00	100.00	500.00
60-1006 · Election Expense	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00
60-1007 · Print Minutes	6,450.00	6,986.15	7,000.00	7,000.00
60-1008 · Attorney Fees	10,000.00	17,021.66	10,000.00	29,750.00
60-1009 · Town Clerk Salary	22,500.00	19,218.75	24,500.00	24,700.00
60-1010 · Employee Benefits--Medicare	3,375.00	3,354.99	3,650.00	3,840.00
60-1011 · Economic Development	9,100.00	9,094.15	7,000.00	29,700.00
60-1012 · Liability Ins--Gen.Fund	5,750.00	0.00	6,000.00	6,350.00
60-1013 · Audit Exp	20,700.00	20,695.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
60-1014 · Supplies & Postage	1,725.00	1,779.78	1,850.00	2,500.00
60-1015 · Misc Exp	2,820.00	566.01	1,000.00	350.00
60-1016 · Computer Cost & Maint.	1,425.00	1,413.89	1,500.00	1,875.00
60-1017 · Dues & Subscriptions	3,050.00	3,042.42	3,250.00	3,800.00
60-1018 · Mileage	1,800.00	1,830.33	2,000.00	2,000.00
60-1019 · Conference Exp/Cont. Education	2,550.00	3,192.75	2,800.00	4,750.00
60-1020 · Expenses pd by Sales Tax	1,660.00	1,646.01	1,800.00	1,700.00
60-1021 · Utilities--Town Hall	10,700.00	10,495.31	11,500.00	11,500.00
60-1022 · Nationwide Exp	1,440.00	1,430.00	1,550.00	1,550.00
Total 60-1000 · General Govt Expenses	147,405.00	141,567.20	138,405.00	147,405.00
60-4000 · Public Safety Expenses				
60-4001 · Police Dept Salaries	221,500.00	223,436.47	232,575.00	254,890.00
60-40A1 · Contra Police Supp. Pay	(30,000.00)	(29,769.22)	(30,000.00)	(30,000.00)
60-4002 · Police Chief Salary	45,300.00	43,170.42	47,400.00	52,375.00
60-4003 · Elected Police Chief Salary	6,600.00	6,600.00	6,600.00	7,260.00
60-4004 · Police Benefits S/S	14,360.00	14,345.48	15,350.00	16,419.00
60-4005 · Emp Benefits Retir (MPERS)	9,800.00	9,766.53	10,241.00	12,166.00
60-4006 · Emp Benefits-Health Ins	73,150.00	71,867.10	66,830.00	84,026.00
60-4007 · Uniforms	1,300.00	1,375.24	1,365.00	714.00
60-4008 · Auto Exp	30,379.00	30,633.24	31,900.00	33,164.00
60-4009 · Utilities	6,500.00	6,684.07	6,825.00	9,799.00
60-4010 · Communication Radio	950.00	950.40	1,000.00	
60-4011 · Equip & Supplies	9,094.00	8,584.70	9,550.00	14,023.00
60-4012 Misc. Exp rename to Subs/Dues	0.00	0.00	500.00	2,400.00
60-4013 · Conference Exp	1,500.00	1,453.90	1,500.00	1,038.00
60-4014 · Educ & Training	2,640.00	2,636.72	2,640.00	2,313.00
60-4015 · Gen Liab. Ins.	9,375.00	2,508.48	9,375.00	5,189.00
60-4016 · W/C Ins.	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	8,992.00
60-4017 · Police Fines Exp	8,700.00	9,421.13	8,800.00	14,131.00
Total 60-4000 · Public Safety Expenses	414,748.00	407,264.66	426,051.00	488,899.00

60-6000 · Public Works Dept				
60-6100 · Streets & Right of Ways				
60-6101 · Alderman Fee	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
60-6102 · Misc	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
60-6103 · Equip Maint	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
60-6104 · Street Lights	24,000.00	25,991.29	25,680.00	24,029.00
60-6105 New Street Lights	6,469.00	6,469.00	5,000.00	0.00
Total 60-6100 · Streets & Right of Ways	36,469.00	38,460.29	36,880.00	36,469.00
60-6200 · Sanitation				
6201 · Garbage Collection	164,500.00	179,355.74	176,015.00	181,600.00
Total 60-6200 · Sanitation	164,500.00	179,355.74	176,015.00	181,600.00
60-6300 · Buildings & Grounds				
60-6301 · Alderman Fee	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
60-6302 · Maint & Supplies	9,400.00	9,132.07	2,500.00	10,500.00
Total 60-6300 · Buildings & Grounds	15,400.00	15,132.07	8,500.00	16,500.00
Total 60-6000 · Public Works Dept Expenses	216,369.00	232,948.10	221,395.00	234,569.00
60-7000 · Culture & Recr				
60-7001 · Library Utilities & Maint	2,500.00	2,481.54	15,000.00	2,650.00
60-7002 · Tennis Courts Exp	20,500.00	4,818.28	10,000.00	500.00
Total 60-7000 · Culture & Recr Expenses	23,000.00	7,299.82	25,000.00	3,150.00
60-9000 · Capital Outlays				
60-9001 · Town Hall	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	4,000.00
60-9002 · Police	9,129.00	18,776.50	25,000.00	30,137.00
60-9003 · Buildings & Grounds	5,000.00	4,455.00	5,000.00	1,500.00
Total 60-9000 · Capital Outlays Expenses	14,129.00	23,231.50	50,000.00	35,637.00
Total Governmental Expenses	815,651.00	812,311.28	860,851.00	909,660.00
Total Govt Net INCOME or (LOSS)	(5,495.00)	(1,416.08)	10,234.00	(59,827.00)
Beginning Fund Balance	79,147.58	79,125.08	77,709.00	87,943.00
Ending Fund Balance	889,303.58	77,709.00	87,943.00	28,116.00

SECTION TWO, UTILITY FUND

UTILITY FUND REVENUES:

50-1000 · Water

50-1001 · Water Sales	2,509,700.00	2,548,721.41	2,635,185.00	2,635,185.00
50-1002 · Reconnect Fees	9,450.00	9,922.88	9,923.00	8,500.00
50-1003 · Other Water	3,600.00	4,190.89	3,780.00	1,275.00
50-1004 · Installation Fees	39,000.00	46,356.00	40,950.00	60,000.00
50-1006 · Fire Plug Fee	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
50-1007 · Interest Revenue	1,300.00	1,361.10	1,365.00	73,170.00
50-1008 · Misc Inc & NSFs	1,400.00	1,943.18	1,470.00	8,010.00
50-1009 · Sale of Assets	16,100.00	13,214.60	6,000.00	15,720.00
50-1010 · Safe Drinking Water Fee	13,750.00	231.24	14,438.00	16,750.00
50-1012 · Security Fee	24,500.00	24,351.25	25,725.00	25,725.00
50-1013 · LCDBG Grant Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	116,000.00

50-1014 · Bluebird Wireless Lease	4,860.00	4,860.00	4,800.00	4,860.00
50-1016 · Garbage Collection	194,000.00	196,156.12	203,700.00	192,427.00
50-1017 · Development Fees	8,425.00	8,425.00	8,846.00	0.00
50-1018 · Caddo Parish Commission Revenue		839.68		0.00
50-1019 · ARRA Forgivable Loan		152,119.65		
Total 50-1000 · Water Revenue	2,829,085.00	3,012,693.00	2,959,182.00	3,160,622.00
50-7000 · Sewer				
50-7001 · Sewer Service Fees	278,200.00	288,626.06	292,110.00	254,300.00
50-7002 · Sewer Permits	9,600.00	8,000.00	10,080.00	6,000.00
50-7003 · Security Fees	7,400.00	7,321.75	7,770.00	6,200.00
50-7004 · Sewer Plant Mineral Lease	6.00	5.00	6.00	5.00
50-7005 · Interest Revenue	115.00	144.13	121.00	160.00
50-7007 · Sewer Ad Valorem	49,575.00	49,572.01	52,054.00	51,063.00
50-7008 · Misc Inc	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50-7009 · Sale of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 50-7000 · Sewer Revenue	344,896.00	353,668.95	362,141.00	317,728.00
Total Utility Revenue	3,173,981.00	3,366,361.95	3,321,323.00	3,478,350.00
UTILITY FUND EXPENSES:				
60-1000 · Water Expenses				
60-1001 · Alderman & Mayor Fees	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
60-1002 · Office Supplies	12,800.00	12,317.60	13,696.00	13,000.00
60-1003 · Office Rent	24,000.00	24,000.00	25,680.00	24,000.00
60-1004 · Legal & Audit	24,400.00	31,195.95	26,108.00	26,352.00
60-1005 · Consultant Fees	5,775.00	5,775.00	6,179.00	0.00
60-1006 · Computer Cost & Maint.	29,300.00	32,057.81	31,351.00	40,000.00
60-1007 · Postage	14,800.00	15,801.14	15,836.00	16,500.00
60-1008 · Salaries	602,410.00	605,681.46	736,579.00	775,000.00
60-1009 · Maint & Supplies	225,800.00	283,320.70	241,606.00	300,000.00
60-1010 · Chemicals	148,000.00	170,414.67	158,360.00	191,000.00
60-1011 · Auto Exp	31,800.00	32,511.06	34,026.00	40,000.00
60-1012 · Water Bills Exp	2,000.00	1,932.88	2,140.00	8,900.00
60-1013 · Utilities	91,300.00	97,394.24	97,691.00	97,691.00
60-1014 · Misc Exp & NSF's	500.00	807.73	535.00	100.00
60-1015 · Dues & Subscriptions	6,000.00	5,803.32	6,420.00	8,000.00
60-1016 · LA One Call	1,800.00	1,909.20	1,926.00	2,000.00
60-1017 · Training & Safety	7,800.00	6,826.72	8,346.00	12,000.00
60-1018 · Uniforms	2,800.00	4,146.45	2,996.00	3,500.00
60-1019 · Conference Exp	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	675.00
60-1020 · Note Principal	362,000.00	0.00	387,340.00	390,000.00
60-1021 · Note Interest	269,300.00	319,255.32	288,151.00	282,879.00
60-1022 · Bonding Fees & Charges	55,000.00	86.56	10,000.00	11,750.00
60-1024 · Insurance--G/L	54,200.00	89,625.46	57,994.00	38,000.00
60-1025 · Insurance--W/C	17,650.00	25,693.67	28,386.00	20,000.00
60-1026 · FICA Taxes	45,000.00	43,500.04	58,400.00	55,000.00

60-1027 · Emp Benefits-Medical	130,000.00	138,230.83	158,850.00	195,300.00
60-1028 · Nationwide Retir-Town Exp	10,000.00	4,518.46	10,700.00	7,500.00
60-1029 · Capital Outlay	200,000.00	42,840.82	214,000.00	31,500.00
60-1030 · Safe Drinking Water Fee	11,710.00	11,707.20	12,530.00	11,710.00
60-1032 · Lab Fees	3,600.00	5,995.00	3,852.00	6,500.00
60-1033 · LCDBG Grant Expense	14,600.00	27,530.00	15,622.00	139,420.00
60-1035 · Per Diem	1,700.00	1,570.00	1,819.00	2,180.00
60-1036 · Mileage	2,000.00	1,641.32	2,140.00	2,350.00
60-1037 · Water Security Fee	15,400.00	5,301.61	16,478.00	3,000.00
60-1038 · Communication/Radios	1,210.00	1,210.00	1,295.00	10,100.00
60-1039 · Printing fees	1,000.00	1,643.52	1,070.00	1,750.00
60-1040 · Garbage Fee due to GF	190,000.00	189,812.00	203,300.00	167,750.00
60-1041 · Drug Screen	200.00	251.00	214.00	565.00
60-1042 · Bank Charges	250.00	197.23	268.00	250.00
60-1044 · Water Facilities Improvements				
60-A100 · Construction Expense	0.00	37,446.64	0.00	
60-1047 · Depreciation Expense	0.00	546,594.08		
60-1048 · Permits	10,700.00	10,690.00	11,449.00	690.00
60-1049 · Online bill pmt fees	1,600.00	1,659.42	1,712.00	3,000.00
60-1050 · Development Review fees	11,500.00	11,050.00	12,305.00	0.00
60-1000 · Water Expenses-Other		343.00		
Total 60-1000 · Water Expenses	2,663,905.00	2,874,289.11	2,932,350.00	2,963,912.00
60-1A06 · ACT 319 Expenses	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
60-7000 · Sewer Expenses				
60-7001 · Office Supplies & Postage	700.00	568.81	749.00	100.00
60-7002 · Legal & Audit	7,500.00	10,452.85	8,025.00	15,000.00
60-7003 · Office Rent	18,000.00	18,000.00	19,260.00	18,000.00
60-7004 · Misc. Exp.	100.00	0.00	107.00	0.00
60-7005 · Alderman Fee	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
60-7006 · Salaries	92,000.00	91,635.49	0.00	3,500.00
60-7007 · Maintenance	29,000.00	31,030.18	31,030.00	36,950.00
60-7008 · Chemicals & Supplies	2,700.00	3,605.14	2,889.00	3,206.00
60-7009 · Auto Exp	3,200.00	3,441.33	3,424.00	6,600.00
60-7010 · Utilities	36,500.00	37,347.03	39,055.00	39,850.00
60-7011 · Lab Fees	3,700.00	3,980.00	3,959.00	3,420.00
60-7012 · Consultant Fees	4,500.00	4,375.00	4,815.00	3,000.00
60-7013 · Insurance-G/L	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,700.00	6,910.00
60-7014 · Insurance-W/C	9,500.00	4,655.16	0.00	2,800.00
60-7015 · Emp Benefits-Medical	19,750.00	16,394.53	0.00	1,300.00
60-7016 · FICA Taxes	10,250.00	10,173.39	0.00	11,600.00
60-7017 · Copy Machine Exp	4,400.00	4,449.16	4,708.00	3,900.00
60-7018 · Uniforms	600.00	140.00	642.00	400.00
60-7019 · Capital Outlay	73,500.00	24,494.10	78,645.00	12,000.00
60-7020 · Training/Safety/Hepatitis Shots	2,300.00	2,272.08	2,461.00	900.00

60-7021 · Sewer Security Fee Exp	8,000.00	7,649.89	8,560.00	0.00
60-7022 · Per Diem	450.00	355.00	482.00	0.00
60-7023 · Nationwide Retir-Town Exp	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
60-7024 · Mileage	700.00	304.34	749.00	0.00
60-7027 · Depreciation Expense		95,200.72		
60-7028 · Permit	834.00	1,059.00	892.00	1,280.00
Total 60-7000 · Sewer Expenses	344,184.00	387,583.20	227,152.00	176,716.00
Total Utility Expenses	3,023,089.00	3,261,872.31	3,174,502.00	3,155,628.00
Total Utility Dept Net INCOME or (LOSS)	150,892.00	104,489.64	146,821.00	322,722.00
Beginning Fund Balance	1,352,358.14	996,872.89	1,101,362.53	1,248,183.53
Ending Fund Balance	1,503,250.14	1,101,362.53	1,248,183.53	1,570,905.53

Motion made by Prewett to adopt Ordinance 6 of 2013. Second by Jones.

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: Ashby, Jones, Prewett, and Whittington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lee served as Mayor Pro Tem

And Ordinance 6 of 2013 was adopted this 11th day of June, 2013.

Public Hearing on Ordinance 7 of 2013-New 2013-2014 Budget

Public Hearing opened at 7:05 p.m. There being no comments, the hearing closed at 7:06 p.m.

Vote on Ordinance 7 of 2013- New 2013-2014 Budget

ORDINANCE 7 OF 2013 (BUDGET FOR 2013-2014)

An ordinance to adopt the budget for the Town of Blanchard for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and otherwise providing with respect thereto:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and the Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, as follows:

- Section 1. The Town of Blanchard ("Town") is authorized to levy an Ad Valorem Tax of Six and 51/100 (6.51) mills for general purposes.
- Section 2. The Town so authorizes to levy an Ad Valorem Tax of Three & 10/100 (3.10) mills for maintenance and operation of the Town sewer system.
- Section 3. The Town is authorized to levy other fees and taxes for general purposes as set forth herein.
- Section 4. Sufficient receipts for general government operations are available for sources authorized by law.
- Section 5. The Town has approved the incurrence of debt and the appropriation of expenditure by specific action.
- Section 6. The Town desires to adopt an annual operating budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 ("FY 2014") as set forth herein.

2011-2012 Actual	2012-2013 Budget	2012-2013 Estimate	2013-2014 Budget
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SECTION ONE, GENERAL FUND
GENERAL FUND REVENUES:
50-1000 · General Government

50-1001 · Property Taxes	106,462.51	113,400.00	108,750.00	110,000.00
50-1002 · Insurance License Fees	34,803.15	22,100.00	28,000.00	32,500.00
50-1003 · Occ.License Fees	19,066.15	21,775.00	21,000.00	22,050.00
50-1004 · Franchise Fees	137,209.67	153,195.00	135,000.00	141,750.00
50-1005 · Interest Revenue	106.14	125.00	1,500.00	1,575.00
50-1006 · Other Revenue	17,085.40	2,000.00	3,800.00	3,990.00
50-1007 · Building Permits	8,168.50	9,500.00	8,500.00	8,925.00
50-1009 · Inspection Fees	30,400.00	34,800.00	23,000.00	30,000.00
50-1010 · Transfer in House	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50-1011 · Sale of Assets	972.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 50-1000 · General Govt. Rev.	354,273.52	356,895.00	329,550.00	350,790.00
50-3000 · Intergovernmental Revenues				
50-3001 · Money from State	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50-3002 · LGAP Money	0.00	25,000.00	21,500.00	25,000.00
50-3003 · Tobacco Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 50-3000 · Intergovt. Revenues	0.00	25,000.00	21,500.00	25,000.00
50-4000 · Public Safety				
50-4001 · Police Fines	54,307.58	52,290.00	75,288.00	79,052.00
50-4002 · Witness Fees	250.00	300.00	120.00	250.00
50-4003 · Sales of Assets	0.00	0.00	3,600.00	3,780.00
50-4004 · Sales Tax Receipts	165,327.10	173,250.00	176,356.00	207,525.00
50-4005 · Seized Forfeiture Assests	0.00	0.00	1,721.00	1,807.00
Total 50-4000 · Public Safety Rev.	219,884.68	225,840.00	257,085.00	292,414.00
50-6000 · Public Works				
50-6200 · Sanitation				
50-6201 · Garbage Collections	189,812.00	215,750.00	192,427.00	202,048.00
Total 50-6200 · Sanitation	189,812.00	215,750.00	192,427.00	202,048.00
50-6300 · Buildings & Grounds				
50-6301 · Mowing	1,300.00	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,600.00
50-6302 · Town Hall Rental	45,625.00	45,000.00	42,000.00	45,000.00
Total 50-6300 · Buildings & Grounds	46,925.00	47,600.00	44,600.00	47,600.00
Total 50-6000 · Public Works Rev	236,737.00	263,350.00	237,027.00	249,648.00
Total Governmental Revenues	810,895.20	871,085.00	845,162.00	917,852.00
GENERAL FUND EXPENSES:				
60-1000 · General Govt Expenses				
60-1001 · Aldermen Fees	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00
60-1002 · Notary Fees	10.00	0.00	71.00	0.00
60-1003 · Inspection Fees Exp	28,870.00	33,705.00	18,800.00	19,740.00
60-1004 · Town Secretary	4,600.00	5,400.00	5,200.00	5,200.00
60-1005 · Ordinance Exp	20.00	100.00	500.00	500.00
60-1006 · Election Expense	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
60-1007 · Print Minutes	6,986.15	7,000.00	5,500.00	5,000.00
60-1008 · Attorney Fees	17,021.66	10,000.00	25,450.00	20,000.00
60-1009 · Town Clerk Salary	19,218.75	24,500.00	24,700.00	24,700.00
60-1010 · Emp Benefits--Medicare	3,354.99	3,650.00	3,840.00	4,032.00
60-1011 · Economic Development	9,094.15	7,000.00	25,000.00	5,000.00
60-1012 · Liability Ins--Gen.Fund	0.00	6,000.00	6,350.00	6,668.00
60-1013 · Audit Exp	20,695.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00

60-1014 · Supplies & Postage	1,779.78	1,850.00	2,450.00	2,573.00
60-1015 · Misc Exp	566.01	1,000.00	350.00	350.00
60-1016 · Computer Cost & Maint.	1,413.89	1,500.00	1,875.00	1,500.00
60-1017 · Dues & Subscriptions	3,042.42	3,250.00	3,800.00	3,900.00
60-1018 · Mileage	1,830.33	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,100.00
60-1019 · Conf Exp/Cont. Edu	3,192.75	2,800.00	4,750.00	4,750.00
60-1020 · Exp pd by Sales Tax	1,646.01	1,800.00	1,700.00	1,785.00
60-1021 · Utilities--Town Hall	10,495.31	11,500.00	10,500.00	10,500.00
60-1022 · Nationwide Exp	1,430.00	1,550.00	1,550.00	1,550.00
60-1023 · Code Enforcement Exp.				0.00
Total 60-1000 · General Govt Exp	141,567.20	138,405.00	156,686.00	133,648.00
60-4000 · Public Safety Expenses				
60-4001 · Police Dept Salaries	223,436.47	232,575.00	254,890.00	267,635.00
60-40A1 Contra Police Suppl Pay	(29,769.22)	(30,000.00)	(30,000.00)	(30,000.00)
60-4002 · Police Chief Salary	43,170.42	47,400.00	52,375.00	54,994.00
60-4003 · Elected Chief Salary	6,600.00	6,600.00	7,260.00	7,623.00
60-4004 · Police Benefits S/S	14,345.48	15,350.00	16,419.00	17,240.00
60-4005 · Emp Ben. Retir (MPERS)	9,766.53	10,241.00	12,166.00	12,774.00
60-4006 · Emp Benefits-Health Ins	71,867.10	66,830.00	84,026.00	98,245.00
60-4007 · Uniforms	1,375.24	1,365.00	714.00	750.00
60-4008 · Auto Exp	30,633.24	31,900.00	33,164.00	34,822.00
60-4009 · Utilities	6,684.07	6,825.00	9,799.00	10,289.00
60-4010 · Communication Radio	950.40	1,000.00	moved to equipment	
60-4011 · Equip & Supplies	8,584.70	9,550.00	14,023.00	14,724.00
60-4012 · Subs/Dues formerly Misc	0.00	500.00	2,400.00	2,520.00
60-4013 · Conference Exp	1,453.90	1,500.00	1,038.00	1,090.00
60-4014 · Educ & Training	2,636.72	2,640.00	2,313.00	2,429.00
60-4015 · Gen Liab. Ins.	2,508.48	9,375.00	5,189.00	5,448.00
60-4016 · W/C Ins.	3,600.00	3,600.00	8,992.00	9,442.00
60-4017 · Police Fines Exp	9,421.13	8,800.00	14,131.00	14,838.00
Total 60-4000 · Public Safety Exp	407,264.66	426,051.00	488,899.00	524,863.00
60-6000 · Public Works Dept				
60-6100 · Streets & Right of Ways				
60-6101 · Alderman Fee	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
60-6102 · Misc	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00
60-6103 · Equip Maint	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
60-6104 · Street Lights	25,991.29	25,680.00	22,100.00	24,000.00
60-6105 New Street Lights	6,469.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
Total 60-6100 · Streets & R. O. W.	38,460.29	36,880.00	28,100.00	30,000.00
60-6200 · Sanitation				
6201 · Garbage Collection	179,355.74	176,015.00	177,000.00	190,800.00
Total 60-6200 · Sanitation	179,355.74	176,015.00	177,000.00	190,800.00
60-6300 · Buildings & Grounds				
60-6301 · Alderman Fee	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
60-6302 · Maint & Supplies	9,132.07	2,500.00	10,500.00	2,500.00
Total 60-6300 · Buildings & Grounds	15,132.07	8,500.00	16,500.00	8,500.00
Total 60-6000 · Public Works Dept Exp	232,948.10	221,395.00	221,600.00	229,300.00
60-7000 · Culture & Recr				

60-7001 · Library Utilities & Maint	2,481.54	15,000.00	2,650.00	2,500.00
60-7002 · Tennis Courts Exp	4,818.28	10,000.00	500.00	525.00
Total 60-7000 · Culture & Recr Exp	7,299.82	25,000.00	3,150.00	3,025.00
60-9000 · Capital Outlays				
60-9001 · Town Hall	0.00	20,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
60-9002 · Police	18,776.50	25,000.00	30,137.00	25,000.00
60-9003 · Buildings & Grounds	4,455.00	5,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total 60-9000 · Capital Outlays Exp	23,231.50	50,000.00	35,637.00	26,500.00
Total Governmental Expenses	812,311.28	860,851.00	905,972.00	917,336.00
Total Govt Net INCOME or (LOSS)	(1,416.08)	10,234.00	(61,410.00)	516.00
Beginning Fund Balance	62,931.29	61,515.21	61,515.21	705.21
Ending Fund Balance	61,515.21	71,749.21	705.21	1221.21

SECTION TWO, UTILITY FUND

UTILITY FUND REVENUES:

50-1000 · Water

50-1001 · Water Sales	2,548,721.41	2,635,185.00	2,635,185.00	3,500,000.00
50-1002 · Reconnect Fees	9,922.88	9,923.00	8,500.00	8,000.00
50-1003 · Other Water	4,190.89	3,780.00	1,275.00	2,000.00
50-1004 · Installation Fees	46,356.00	40,950.00	60,000.00	65,000.00
50-1006 · Fire Plug Fee	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
50-1007 · Interest Revenue	1,361.10	1,365.00	73,170.00	13,000.00
50-1008 · Misc Inc & NSFs	1,943.18	1,470.00	8,010.00	2,000.00
50-1009 · Sale of Assets	13,214.60	6,000.00	15,720.00	18,000.00
50-1010 · Safe Drink Water Fee	231.24	14,438.00	16,750.00	13,000.00
50-1012 · Security Fee	24,351.25	25,725.00	25,725.00	27,525.00
50-1013 · LCDBG Grant Funds	0.00	0.00	116,000.00	0.00
50-1014 · Bluebird Wireless Lease	4,860.00	4,800.00	4,860.00	4,000.00
50-1016 · Garbage Collection	196,156.12	203,700.00	192,427.00	202,048.00
50-1017 · Devel. Review Fees	8,425.00	8,846.00	0.00	0.00
50-1018 · Caddo Parish Comm. Rev	839.68		0.00	0.00
50-1019 · ARRA Forgivable Loan	152,119.65			
Total 50-1000 · Water Revenue	3,012,693.00	2,959,182.00	3,160,622.00	3,857,573.00

50-7000 · Sewer

50-7001 · Sewer Service Fees	288,626.06	292,110.00	254,300.00	250,000.00
50-7002 · Sewer Permits	8,000.00	10,080.00	6,000.00	6,500.00
50-7003 · Security Fees	7,321.75	7,770.00	6,200.00	6,500.00
50-7004 · Mineral Lease	5.00	6.00	5.00	5.00
50-7005 · Interest Revenue	144.13	121.00	160.00	165.00
50-7007 · Sewer Ad Valorem	49,572.01	52,054.00	51,063.00	50,000.00
50-7008 · Misc Inc	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50-7009 · Sale of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 50-7000 · Sewer Revenue	353,668.95	362,141.00	317,728.00	313,170.00

Total Utility Revenue	3,366,361.95	3,321,323.00	3,478,350.00	4,170,743.00
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UTILITY FUND EXPENSES:

60-1000 · Water Expenses

60-1001 · Alderman & Mayor Fees	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
60-1002 · Office Supplies	12,317.60	13,696.00	13,000.00	15,160.00
60-1003 · Office Rent	24,000.00	25,680.00	24,000.00	24,000.00

60-1004 · Legal & Audit	31,195.95	26,108.00	26,352.00	27,670.00
60-1005 · Consultant Fees	5,775.00	6,179.00	0.00	0.00
60-1006 · Computer Cost & Maint.	32,057.81	31,351.00	40,000.00	52,800.00
60-1007 · Postage	15,801.14	15,836.00	16,500.00	17,655.00
60-1008 · Salaries	605,681.46	736,579.00	775,000.00	854,250.00
60-1009 · Maint & Supplies	283,320.70	241,606.00	300,000.00	341,000.00
60-1010 · Chemicals	170,414.67	158,360.00	191,000.00	266,000.00
60-1011 · Auto Exp	32,511.06	34,026.00	40,000.00	42,800.00
60-1012 · Water Bills Exp	1,932.88	2,140.00	8,900.00	9,523.00
60-1013 · Utilities	97,394.24	97,691.00	97,691.00	170,000.00
60-1014 · Misc Exp & NSFs	807.73	535.00	100.00	500.00
60-1015 · Dues & Subscriptions	5,803.32	6,420.00	8,000.00	8,560.00
60-1016 · LA One Call	1,909.20	1,926.00	2,000.00	2,140.00
60-1017 · Training & Safety	6,826.72	8,346.00	12,000.00	17,840.00
60-1018 · Uniforms	4,146.45	2,996.00	3,500.00	4,245.00
60-1019 · Conference Exp	0.00	1,000.00	675.00	1,000.00
60-1020 · Note Principal	0.00	387,340.00	390,000.00	677,216.00
60-1021 · Note Interest	319,255.32	288,151.00	282,879.00	484,031.00
60-1022 · Bonding Fees & Charges	86.56	10,000.00	11,750.00	12,000.00
60-1024 · Insurance--G/L	89,625.46	57,994.00	38,000.00	40,660.00
60-1025 · Insurance--W/C	25,693.67	28,386.00	20,000.00	40,000.00
60-1026 · FICA Taxes	43,500.04	58,400.00	55,000.00	58,850.00
60-1027 · Emp Benefits-Medical	138,230.83	158,850.00	195,300.00	228,000.00
60-1028 · Nation. Retire-Town Exp	4,518.46	10,700.00	7,500.00	8,025.00
60-1029 · Capital Outlay	42,840.82	214,000.00	31,500.00	67,000.00
60-1030 · Safe Drinking Water Fee	11,707.20	12,530.00	11,710.00	13,000.00
60-1032 · Lab Fees	5,995.00	3,852.00	6,500.00	7,000.00
60-1033 LCDBG Grant Expense	27,530.00	15,622.00	139,420.00	0.00
60-1035 · Per Diem	1,570.00	1,819.00	2,180.00	3,710.00
60-1036 · Mileage	1,641.32	2,140.00	2,350.00	3,500.00
60-1037 · Water Security Fee	5,301.61	16,478.00	3,000.00	40,000.00
60-1038 · Communication/Radios	1,210.00	1,295.00	10,100.00	2,500.00
60-1039 · Printing fees	1,643.52	1,070.00	1,750.00	1,838.00
60-1040 · Garbage Fee due to GF	189,812.00	203,300.00	167,750.00	202,048.00
60-1041 · Drug Screen	251.00	214.00	565.00	550.00
60-1042 · Bank Charges	197.23	268.00	250.00	263.00
60-1044 · Water Facilities Impr.				
60-A100 · Construction Expense	37,446.64	0.00		0.00
60-1047 · Depreciation Expense	546,594.08			0.00
60-1048 · Permits	10,690.00	11,449.00	690.00	750.00
60-1049 · Online bill pmt fees	1,659.42	1,712.00	3,000.00	3,150.00
60-1050 Development fees	11,050.00	12,305.00	0.00	0.00
60-1000 · Water Expenses-Other	343.00			
Total 60-1000 · Water Expenses	2,874,289.11	2,932,350.00	2,963,912.00	3,773,234.00
60-1A06 · ACT 319 Expense	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
60-7000 · Sewer Expenses				
60-7001 · Office Supp & Postage	568.81	749.00	100.00	500.00
60-7002 · Legal & Audit	10,452.85	8,025.00	15,000.00	15,000.00

60-7003 · Office Rent	18,000.00	19,260.00	18,000.00	20,000.00
60-7004 · Misc. Exp.	0.00	107.00	0.00	0.00
60-7005 · Alderman Fee	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
60-7006 · Salaries	91,635.49	0.00	3,500.00	0.00
60-7007 · Maintenance	31,030.18	31,030.00	36,950.00	45,000.00
60-7008 · Chemicals & Supplies	3,605.14	2,889.00	3,206.00	3,000.00
60-7009 · Auto Exp	3,441.33	3,424.00	6,600.00	5,000.00
60-7010 · Utilities	37,347.03	39,055.00	39,850.00	45,000.00
60-7011 · Lab Fees	3,980.00	3,959.00	3,420.00	4,000.00
60-7012 · Consultant Fees	4,375.00	4,815.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
60-7013 · Insurance-G/L	10,000.00	10,700.00	6,910.00	5,600.00
60-7014 · Insurance-W/C	4,655.16	0.00	2,800.00	5,000.00
60-7015 · Emp Benefits-Medical	16,394.53	0.00	1,300.00	0.00
60-7016 · FICA Taxes	10,173.39	0.00	11,600.00	0.00
60-7017 · Copy Machine Exp	4,449.16	4,708.00	3,900.00	4,500.00
60-7018 · Uniforms	140.00	642.00	400.00	800.00
60-7019 · Capital Outlay	24,494.10	78,645.00	12,000.00	35,000.00
60-7020 · Training/Safety/Hep. Shots	2,272.08	2,461.00	900.00	1,500.00
60-7021 · Sewer Security Fee Exp	7,649.89	8,560.00	0.00	0.00
60-7022 · Per Diem	355.00	482.00	0.00	500.00
60-7023 · Nationwide Retir-Town Exp	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
60-7024 · Mileage	304.34	749.00	0.00	500.00
60-7027 · Depreciation Expense	95,200.72			
60-7028 · Permit	1,059.00	892.00	1,280.00	1,500.00
Total 60-7000 · Sewer Expenses	387,583.20	227,152.00	176,716.00	201,400.00
Total Utility Expenses	3,261,872.31	3,174,502.00	3,155,628.00	3,989,634.00
Total Utility Dept Net INCOME or (LOSS)	104,489.64	146,821.00	322,722.00	181,109.00
Beginning Fund Balance	334,540.56	439,030.20	439,030.20	761,752.20
Ending Fund Balance	439,030.20	585,851.20	761,752.20	942,861.20

Section 7. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all contracts, deeds and other legal instruments necessary to expend and receive the funds herein authorized.

Section 8. If any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

Section 9. All ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Motion made by Jones to adopt Ordinance 7 of 2013. Second by Prewett

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: Ashby, Jones, Prewett, and Whittington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lee served as Mayor Pro Tem

And Ordinance 7 of 2013 was adopted this 11th day of June, 2013.

Vote on Blanchard Lake Estates Units 1, 2, and 3 plats

Jones abstained from any discussion and any action taken in this matter. Motion by Whittington to approve Blanchard Lake Estates Units 1, 2, and 3 plats conditionally upon proper documentation that the public street can be built across the CenterPoint Energy right of way as shown on Unit 2 and that all drainage servitudes are either removed and shown as natural drains or dedicated to the homeowners association. Second by Ashby. At this time, there was further discussion and Whittington amended his original motion to include the plats be approved conditional upon receiving information acceptable to the Council regarding the placement of street lights which must be in place before homes are built. Second by Prewett. All voted yea. Jones abstained.

NEW BUSINESS

Introduce Ordinance 8 of 2013-At Home Businesses (formerly known as Ord. 3 of 2010-it had been introduced, but never acted on)

The following was introduced by Jones to be voted on at the July 9, 2013, Council meeting.

ORDINANCE 8 OF 2013

An Ordinance establishing new requirements and guidelines for limited occupational activities in residentially-zoned areas, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Discuss bid information provided by Balar regarding the sewer treatment plant and collection system improvements.

Motion by Jones to accept Balar's recommendation for contracts on both projects as set forth in a letter dated June 10, 2013, which reads as follows: (1) Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project-Issuance of a construction contract for the Base Bid to David Lawler Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,169,721.00. (2) Wastewater Collection System Improvements-Issuance of a construction contract for the Base Bid to Pulley Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$831,390.10, Issuance of a deductive change order removing the new lift station on Highway 173 and all gravity sewer mains and related appurtenances in the amount of \$360,481.00, bringing the revised contract amount to \$470,909.10. Second by Whittington. All voted yea.

Official journal needs to be decided

Motion by Jones to keep *The Times* as the town's official journal for the next year. Second by Prewett. All voted yea.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS

Buildings and Grounds

Whittington stated nothing to report.

Streets and Rights of Way

Jones asked Arceneaux to compose an ordinance for no parking on Wasson Road in its entirety within the town limits.

Water Department

Prewett stated everything running good at the old water plant and the new plant is 63% complete and on schedule.

Sewer Department

Ashby stated everything running as it should.

Police Department

Chief stated nothing to report.

Treasurer Report

Lee stated nothing to report.

Comments by the Mayor

None. Motion by Jones to adjourn, second by Whittington. All voted yea. Meeting adjourned 7:24 p.m.

JOHNNY DIGILORMO, MAYOR

DEBRA SMITH, TOWN CLERK