

# PUBLIC COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 6:00PM Abita Springs Town Hall 22161 Level St., Abita Springs, LA 70420

Posted: July 1, 2020 5:00pm

**CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING OF AGENDA:** Mayor Pro Tem Murphy **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Alderman Saussy

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Committee Chair: Alderwoman Contois Committee Member: Mayor Pro Tem Murphy

Acceptance of Minutes ( June )

1.) May Financial Report - Jay Hawkins

#### **GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE:**

Committee Chair: Alderman Saussy

Committee Member: Mayor Pro Tem Murphy

Acceptance of Minutes ( June )

**1.)** Discussion of Zoning Commission Consideration of New Lower Density Zoning Classification.

**2.)** Consider a Resolution related Parish Council Redistricting

### **INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE:**

Committee Chair: Alderman Patterson Committee Member: Alderman Saussy

Acceptance of Minutes (June)

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

Committee Chair: Alderwoman Randolph Committee Member: Alderwoman Contois

Acceptance of Minutes ( June )

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

SUMMARY				GENERAL	L FL	JND		
SHEET #1	2020		EST		MAY		MAY %	General Fund Revenue Comments
Revenue	BUDGET		ANNUAL		ACTUAL		%	
Taxes-All	\$	802.5	\$	850.2	\$	538.8	67.1%	Sales tax trending up.
All other	\$	931.8	\$	1,061.2	\$	247.4	26.6%	Includes bond issues
TOTAL Revenue	\$	1,734.3	\$	1,911.4	\$	786.2	45.3%	
Expense								
Salaries/Ben&Ret	\$	337.7	\$	381.3	\$	158.4	46.9%	Est to exceed budget
Contractors	\$	10.0	\$	7.7	\$	1.5	15.0%	
Clerk of Court	\$	30.5	\$	27.4	\$	11.6	38.0%	
All Other	\$	1,356.1	\$	743.1	\$	457.6	33.7%	
TOTAL Expense	\$	1,734.3	\$	1,159.5	\$	629.1	36.3%	Will be below budget unless \$s spent on projects
Surplus (Deficit)	\$	-	\$	751.9	\$	157.1		Est Annual Surplus includes Bond Funds
SUMMARY				PUBLIC WORKS				
SHEET #3	2020		EST		MAY		MAY %	
	В	BUDGET		ANNUAL		CTUAL	%	
Revenue	\$	582.5	\$	397.6	\$	208.8	35.8%	
TOTAL Revenue	\$	582.5	\$	397.6	\$	208.8	35.8%	
Expense								
Salary & Benefits	\$	213.2	\$	180.6	\$	93.5	43.9%	
Operating Expense	\$	289.2	\$	111.2	\$	91.9	31.8%	
Admin Expense	\$	77.1	\$	48.1	\$	17.2	22.3%	
TOTAL Expense	\$	579.5	\$	339.9	\$	202.6	35.0%	
Surplus (Deficit)	\$	3.0	\$	57.7	\$	6.2		
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SHEET #7	2020		EST		MAY		MAY %	
	В	BUDGET		ANNUAL		CTUAL	%	
Revenue	\$	295.3	\$	277.8	\$	114.8	38.9%	Revenue will fall short but not
TOTAL Revenue	\$	295.3	\$	277.8	\$	114.8	38.9%	
Expense								
Operating Exp	\$	216.4	\$	44.9	\$	13.6	6.3%	
Admin Exp	\$	81.9	\$	81.3	\$	37.3	45.5%	
TOTAL Expense	\$	298.3	\$	126.2	\$	50.9	17.1%	Under control. Could do some street fixing now.
Surplus (Deficit)	\$	(3.00)	\$	151.6	\$	63.9		

SUMMARY				UTILITY	FUN	D		
SHEET #2		2020		EST		MAY	MAY %	Utility Fund Comments:
	В	UDGET	1	ANNUAL	Α	CTUAL	%	
GAS Revenue	\$	577.7	\$	577.2	\$	266.1	46.1%	Revenue LOWER than 2019. Mild temps. Lower NG costs
TOTAL Gas Revenue	\$	577.7	\$	577.2	\$	266.1	46.1%	
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GAS Expense	ļ_							
Direct Expense	\$	385.3	\$	344.6	\$	147.1		NG costs 35% of gas sales due to lower gas costs.
Operating Expense	\$	24.3		26.1	\$	12.3	50.6%	
Admin Expense	\$	147.7	\$	166.9	\$	116.0		Costs include sewer DEQ expenses
TOTAL Gas Expense	\$	557.2	\$	537.6	\$	275.3	49.4%	
Surplus (Deficit)	\$	20.5	\$	39.6	\$	(9.2)		Surplus results not dependable long term.
		2020		EST		MAY	MAY %	
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WATER Revenue	\$	671.6		528.7	\$	225.8	33.6%	
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WATER Expense								
Direct Expense	\$	547.1	\$	378.4	\$	170.5	31.2%	
Operating Expense	\$	24.3	\$	26.1	\$	12.3	50.6%	
Admin Expense	\$	147.7	\$	166.9	\$	116.0	78.5%	Costs include sewer DEQ expenses
TOTAL Water Expense	\$	719.0	\$	571.4	\$	298.7	41.5%	
Surplus (Deficit)	\$	(47.4)	\$	(42.7)	\$	(72.9)		Some costs will be covered by reimbursements
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SEWER Revenue	_	3,361.4	\$	826.8	\$	494.1	14.7%	
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Direct Expense	_	2,858.2	_	345.7	\$	159.8	5.6%	
Operating Expense	\$	24.3	-	26.9	\$	12.3	50.6%	
Admin Expense	\$	147.7	\$	166.9	\$	116.0		Costs include sewer DEQ expenses
TOTAL Sewer Expense	\$	,	\$	539.5	\$	288.0	9.5%	
Surplus (Deficit)	\$	331.3	\$	287.3	\$	206.1		Some expenses will be reimbursed by loan proceeds

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		2020	EST		MAY	MAY %	
	В	BUDGET	ANNUAL	Δ	CTUAL	%	
GARBAGE Revenue	\$	293.5	\$ 292.0	\$	122.3	41.7%	
TOTAL Garbage Revenue	\$	293.5	\$ 292.0	\$	122.3	41.7%	
GARBAGE Expense							
Direct Expenses	\$	262.8	\$ 259.4	\$	108.1	41.1%	
Admin Expenses	\$	4.5	\$ 2.4	\$	3.5	78.5%	
TOTAL Garbage Expense	\$	267.3	\$ 261.8	\$	111.6	41.8%	
Surplus (Deficit)	\$	26.2	\$ 30.2	\$	10.7		
		2020	EST		YTD	YTD	
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Revenue	\$	4,904.2	\$ 2,224.7	\$	1,108.3	22.6%	
Other Revenue	\$	54.3	\$ 88.8	\$	17.7	32.6%	
Total Revenue	\$	4,958.5	\$ 2,313.5	\$	1,126.0	22.7%	
Expenses	\$	4,573.7	\$ 1,910.2	\$	973.7	21.3%	
Debt Svc	\$	384.8		\$	-		
Total Expenses	\$	4,958.5	\$ 1,910.2	\$	973.7	19.6%	
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$	0.0	\$ 403.2	\$	152.3		

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# **Discussion: Low Density Residential Zone**

Town Councilors Regan Contois and Evette Randolph made a presentation requesting the Commission engage in a discussion and development of one or more low-density residential zones. As the town begins work on a master plan a variety of zoning districts will be needed. Residential districts can be developed with a variety of lot sizes, including lots large enough to accommodate areas without public water and sewer. it would be good for the Zoning Commission to begin a discussion of one or more low density residential zones. Currently, the town has one residential zone. Regan Contois noted that St. Tammany Parish has 9 different residential zones. She said that staff and legal counsel can develop several lot sizes and that zones would allow for residential homes and accessory buildings.

Regan Contois said that the building moratorium for the Brook Forest Residential District expires in 3-4 months and some action is needed before it expires. She said that the Commission could consider if lot sizes, such as 2 or 3-acres, are appropriate for larger parcels at the edge of town and for sensitive areas near the Abita River. Evette Randolph emphasized the need to develop a variety of lot sizes and urged the Commission to begin the discussion.

Commissioner Jackson said that she favors a variety of lot sizes. Commissioner Underwood said that the Commission should use certain criteria to review. For example, the Brook Forest area is served by a one-track road, does not have public water and sewer available, and a portion of the area is near the Abita River and prone to flooding. Commissioner Templet said that reviewing large parcels near the river may be a good place to start.

Commissioner Gowland said the Commission will need to review maps. The Commission will need to look at areas not yet subdivided and determine the most effective lot sizes for these areas. He said he hopes for input from the Council.

Commissioner Underwood motioned to begin discussion of low-density residential zones. Commissioner Templet seconded the motion. All commissioners voted in favor.

Discussion continued after the vote. Commissioner Templet suggesting developing one zone in the next 90 days to address the moratorium situation. Other zones could then be developed as other areas are evaluated.

Lee Barrios said the Commission should consider what "low density" means. She said the availability of water and sewer should be considered, with larger lot sizes - 2 or more acres, for areas without these services.

Commissioner Gowland said that first the zoning map needs to be reviewed. Commissioner Templet noted that a master plan can't undo flooding in flood-prone areas.











