



The regular meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Alderman was held at 6:00pm on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at the Abita Springs Town Hall. Mayor Curtis called the meeting to order.

MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Curtis reported that Planning Consultant Alex Carter would be passing out information regarding the draft for the Comprehensive Rezoning Plan. It was noted that the draft would be available to the public prior to the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on August 28, 2025. Mayor Curtis also announced that the Truck and Tractor Showcase would be held on Saturday, September 20, 2025, at the Abita Springs Recreation District from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Boudreaux, Contois, Patterson, Saussy and Templet were present. Mr. Patterson motioned to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2025, Town Council meeting, seconded by Mr. Saussy. The motion was approved unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Ms. Cunningham reported that the Town's finances are healthy at mid-year, with revenues and expenditures largely in line with the budget. The General Fund is slightly ahead on collections, utilities and public works are performing close to target, and recreation is supported by strong grant funding. Cemetery and debt service funds remain stable, and overall, the Town is well-positioned moving into the second half of the year.

NEW BUSINESS: Following the resignation of Town Clerk Janet Dufrene, Mayor Curtis recommended the appointment of Leanne Schaefer as the new Town Clerk. A motion was made by Mr. Saussy to confirm the appointment, seconded by Mr. Patterson. The vote was: Yeas: 5, Alderman Boudreaux, Contois, Patterson, Saussy, and Templet. Nays: 0, Absent: 0, Abstain: 0. Council reviewed the submission of a \$3.8 million DEQ Loan Pre-Application for upcoming sewer improvements. Public comment included concern over long-term debt, but the Council noted the funding would be dedicated for **essential** sewer infrastructure improvements. Mr. Boudreaux made a motion to adopt **A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT A PRE-APPLICATION, AND ISSUE DEBT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,800,000.00 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS**, seconded by Mr. Saussy. The results were as follows: Yeas: 5 Alderman Boudreaux, Contois, Patterson, Saussy, and Templet. Nays: 0, Absent: 0, Abstain: 0.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no "Old Business" to discuss.

OPEN: Ray Pasqua, a local developer, spoke on historical lots of record and support for traditional neighborhood developments. He urged consideration in zoning decisions. Stewart Eastman spoke in support of electric vehicles and in reformatting the financial reporting on franchise fees to capture franchise revenue benefits.

Mr. Patterson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Saussy.

Respectfully submitted on this 19th day of August 2025.

Leanne Schaefer, Town Clerk

Honorable Daniel J. Curtis, Mayor