

# Town of Abita Springs



**MAYOR  
DANIEL J. CURTIS**

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2020 6:00PM  
TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS YOU TUBE CHANNEL  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLYP\\_ekGhQ0tQXThk0gP7-A](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLYP_ekGhQ0tQXThk0gP7-A)  
FROM THE ABITA SPRINGS TOWN HALL  
22161 LEVEL ST., ABITA SPRINGS, LA 70420**

POSTED: May 18 , 2020 4:30PM

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Curtis  
INVOCATION: Alderman Saussy  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Alderman Contois

**PUBLIC HEARING: 1.)**Discussion of Instrument 2020-005 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS; TO EXTEND A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY PERMITS BY THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OR DEVELOPMENT OF ANY LOTS WHICH ARE PART OF A RESUBDIVISION OF LAND IN THE AREA COMPRISING THE FORMER BROOK FOREST RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

**MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1.)** Peter Soules **2.)** Capital Outlay **3.)** Phase 1 Opening **4.)** Farmer's Market **5.)** Recycling – June 1

## **ROLL CALL:**

CALL FOR AGENDA MODIFICATIONS  
ACCEPT FEBRUARY 18, 2019 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
ACCEPTANCE OF THE JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH 2020 FINANCIAL REPORT

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**1.)** Consider adoption of Instrument 2020-005 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS; TO EXTEND A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY PERMITS BY THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OR DEVELOPMENT OF ANY LOTS WHICH ARE PART OF A RESUBDIVISION OF LAND IN THE AREA COMPRISING THE FORMER BROOK FOREST RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1.) Discussion of Adjusted Millage(s)  
2.) Introduce Instrument 2020-006 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #492 ADJUSTING THE OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 01, 2019 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019.

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES RELATED TO COVID-19, THE TOWN WILL BE LIVE STREAMING THE MEETING. THE AGENDA WILL BE READ ALOUD AFTER WHICH THERE WILL BE A THIRTY MINUTE PERIOD FOR COMMENTS. YOU MAY EMAIL COMMENTS BY GOING TO [WWW.TOWNOFABITASPRINGS.COM/COMMENTS](http://WWW.TOWNOFABITASPRINGS.COM/COMMENTS).

# Town of Abita Springs



## MAYOR DANIEL J. CURTIS

INSTRUMENT #2020-005

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3 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS; TO EXTEND  
4 A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY PERMITS BY THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS FOR THE  
5 IMPROVEMENT OR DEVELOPMENT OF ANY LOTS WHICH ARE PART OF A RESUBDIVISION OF LAND  
6 IN THE AREA COMPRISING THE FORMER BROOK FOREST RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT  
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9 BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Abita Springs that there is hereby  
10 enacted a moratorium on the issuance of any permits whatsoever by the Town of Abita Springs pertaining  
11 to any development or improvements on any lots created by resubdivision of properties located in the  
12 area comprising the former Brook Forest Residential District.  
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15 This moratorium shall remain in effect for a period of six months as of the effective date of this ordinance.  
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18 This ordinance shall take effect upon signature of the mayor.  
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20 Introduced by Alderman Patterson, seconded by Alderman Saussy, on the 18th day of February 2020.  
21 Adopted on a motion of Alderman \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Alderman \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
22 \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.  
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24 The vote was:  
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26 AYES:

27 NAYS:

28 ABSTENTIONS:

29 ABSENT:  
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33 ATTEST

34 Janet Dufrene, Town Clerk  
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Honorable Daniel J. Curtis, Mayor


Submitted: 2020 REASSESSMENT FORM

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**Jo Ann Garrison/LLA on 04/08/2020 11:12:42 AM.**  
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Submission ID: APPP-BMKNVJ0.791531242847334			
<b>Taxing District</b> GENERAL ALIMONY (ABITA SPRINGS) T [OP] (5046001) Name [Purpose] (LLA Millage Number)			
<b>Current Millage Rates</b>			
<b>7.860</b> Mills 2019 Millage Levied		<b>7.860</b> Mills Maximum Authorized Levy	
<b>Reassessment Values / Dollars Generated</b>			
	Taxable Property Valuation 2019	<b>\$16,708,998.00</b>	
	2020 TAX ROLLS AS ADJUSTED BY REAPPRAISAL/REASSESSMENT	<b>\$17,711,537.00</b>	
	(Previous year's roll, revalued) Taxable Property Valuation after Reappraisal/Reassessment:		
	Taxes Levied - Taxpayer	<b>\$131,332.72</b>	
	Taxes Levied Maximum Authorized	<b>\$131,332.72</b>	
<b>Adjusted Millage Rates</b>			
<b>7.420</b> 2020 Adjusted Millage after Reappraisal/Reassessment	or	<b>7.420</b> Adjusted Maximum Millage	or
		<b>7.860</b> Maximum Authorized Levy (Prior Year's)	
Louis Fitzmorris ASSESSOR PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY On: 03/10/2020			

Submitted: 2020 REASSESSMENT FORM

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**Jo Ann Garrison/LLA on 04/08/2020 11:15:24 AM.**

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Submission ID: APPP-BMKNXY0.569359884031434			
<b>Taxing District</b> PARKS/PLAYGROUNDS & STREET LIGHTS [MT] (5048006) <small>Name [Purpose] (LLA Millage Number)</small>			
<b>Current Millage Rates</b>			
<b>3.000</b> Mills <small>2019 Millage Levied</small>		<b>3.000</b> Mills <small>Maximum Authorized Levy</small>	
<b>Reassessment Values / Dollars Generated</b>			
	Taxable Property Valuation 2019	<b>\$16,708,998.00</b>	
	2020 TAX ROLLS AS ADJUSTED BY REAPPRAISAL/REASSESSMENT <small>(Previous year's roll, revalued)</small>	<b>\$17,711,537.00</b>	
	Taxable Property Valuation after Reappraisal/Reassessment	<b>\$50,126.99</b>	
	Taxes Levied - Taxpayer	<b>\$50,126.99</b>	
	Taxes Levied Maximum Authorized	<b>\$50,126.99</b>	
<b>Adjusted Millage Rates</b>			
<b>2.830</b> <small>2020 Adjusted Millage after Reappraisal/Reassessment</small>	or	<b>2.830</b> <small>Adjusted Maximum Millage</small>	or
		<b>3.000</b> <small>Maximum Authorized Levy (Prior Years)</small>	
<b>Louis Fitzmorris</b> ASSESSOR PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY On <b>03/10/2020</b>			

# Town of Abita Springs



**MAYOR  
DANIEL J. CURTIS**

## **INSTRUMENT 2020-006**

**THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE WAS MOVED FOR INTRODUCTION BY ALDERMAN PATTERSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN CONTOIS, MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY ALDERMAN \_\_\_\_\_, AND SECONDED FOR ADOPTION BY ALDERMAN \_\_\_\_\_.**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #492 OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRING ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 01, 2019 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019, ADJUSTMENT TO SECTIONS X., XIII., XIV., AND XVI. AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Abita Springs that Budget Ordinance No. 492 for fiscal year 2019 is hereby amended in that budget adjustment regarding the Sections as set forth hereinafter be adopted for the 2019 Fiscal Year Budget.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that in Section X. that the figures be changed to read as follows:

- On page 2, line 70, delete the dollar amount "\$54,455.00" and in lieu thereof insert "\$16,010.00."

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that in Section X. that the figures be changed to read as follows:

- On page 2, line 72, delete the dollar amount "\$54,455.00" and in lieu thereof insert "\$16,010.00."

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that in Section XIII. that the figures be changed to read as follows:

- On page 2, line 83, delete the dollar amount "\$46,015.00" and in lieu thereof insert "\$68,443.00."

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that in Section XIII. that the figures be changed to read as follows:

- On page 2, line 84, delete the dollar amount "\$46,015.00" and in lieu thereof insert "\$68,443.00."

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that in Section XIV. that the figures be changed to read as follows:

- On page 2, line 87, delete the dollar amount "\$26,012.00" and in lieu thereof insert "\$29,758.00."

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that in Section XIV. that the figures be changed to read as follows:

- On page 2, line 88, delete the dollar amount "\$26,012.00" and in lieu thereof insert "\$29,758.00."

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that in Section XVI. that the figures be changed to read as follows:

- On page 2, line 95, delete the dollar amount "\$305,150.00" and in lieu thereof insert "\$235,049.00."

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that in Section XVI. that the figures be changed to read as follows:

- On page 2, line 97, delete the dollar amount "\$305,150.00" and in lieu thereof insert "\$235,049.00."

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, that in all other respects Ordinance #492 remains in full force and effect.

The Ordinance being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTENTIONS:

And this Ordinance was declared adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

Janet Dufrene, Town Clerk

Honorable Daniel J. Curtis, Mayor



1 **Ordinance #492**

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3 **An Ordinance Adopting an Operating Budget of**  
4 **Revenue and Expenditures for the Year Beginning**  
5 **January 1, 2019 and Ending December 31, 2019**  
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7 **BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Abita Springs, State of**  
8 Louisiana, in general session convened that:

9 Section I. The attached estimate of revenues for the year beginning January 01, 2019 and ending  
10 December 31, 2019 be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as an operating budget of revenues for the  
11 Town of Abita Springs during the same period.

12 Section II. The attached estimates of the expenditures for the year beginning January 01, 2019 and ending  
13 December 31, 2019 serve as a budget of expenditures for the Town of Abita Springs during the same period.

14 Section III. The adoption of this operating budget of expenditures be and this hereby to operate as an  
15 appropriation of the amount therein set forth within the terms of the budget classification.

16 Section IV. Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included within the 2019 budget.

17 Notwithstanding any language to the contrary, the sum appropriated herein for health benefits coverage for Town  
18 Employees shall be governed by the following regulations:

19 1.) Each employee shall contribute \$100.00 per month for the coverage of their spouse or 10% of the costs  
20 of such coverage whichever amount is greater.

21 2.) Each employee shall contribute \$150.00 per month for the coverage of their family or 10% of the costs  
22 of such coverage whichever amount is greater.

23 3.) There shall be a \$100.00 surcharge per month for spouse/family coverage which could otherwise be  
24 obtained from the employer of the spouse of the Town employee.

25 All expenditures for the purpose of employee health care benefits contained in this budget shall comply  
26 with the above regulations.

27 No appropriation shall be made pursuant to this budget which provides for greater than 3% for any  
28 salary increase of any employee of the Town.

29 Any line item appropriation that is required to be changed due to the above amendments  
30 being adopted shall be done as provided by Sec 2-109(8) of the Abita Springs Code of Ordinances.

31 Section V. The Mayor may authorize transfer between line items of expenditures within a function or department,  
32 provided that such transfers shall not exceed 10% of the total department budget. The Council shall be notified in  
33 writing by the Mayor of aforesaid transfers exceeding 5%. All other budget adjustments must be approved by the  
34 Mayor and Council as a whole.

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36 Section VI.		2019
37 Taxes, Licenses & Permits	\$	805,100.00
38 Fees, Interest Rental, Inspection, Culvert	\$	71,150.00
39 Tickets and Fines	\$	85,000.00
40 Misc. Income	\$	24,503.00
41 Grants	\$	35,000.00
42 Museum	\$	35,000.00
43 <b>Total General Fund Income</b>	\$	<b>1,055,753.00</b>

44		
45	Section VII.	
46	Law Enforcement Expenditures	\$ 293,200.00
47	Clerk of Court	\$ 63,567.00
48	Parks and Receptions	\$ 11,400.00
49	General Government Expenditures	\$ 607,586.00
50	Museum Expenses	\$ 35,000.00
51	Grant Expenditures	\$ 45,000.00
52	<b>Total General Fund Expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 1,055,753.00</u>
53		
54	Section VIII.	
55	Gas, Water, Sewer & Garbage Sales	\$ 2,176,280.00
56	Fees & Interest & Rental	\$ -
57	<b>Utility Fund Income</b>	<u>\$ 2,176,280.00</u>
58		
59	Section IX.	
60	Utility Gen & Admin Expenditures	\$ 521,472.00
61	Utility Garbage Expenditures	\$ 227,563.00
62	Utility Sewer System Expenditures	\$ 436,697.00
63	Utility Gas System Expenditures	\$ 214,670.00
64	Utility Water System Expenditures	\$ 213,878.00
65	Debt Service	\$ 336,000.00
66	Gas Purchase	\$ 226,000.00
67	<b>Total Utility Expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 2,176,280.00</u>
68		
69	Section X.	
70	Cemetery Revenue	\$ 54,455.00
71	Use of Fund Balance	
72	<b>Total Cemetery Income</b>	<u>\$ 54,455.00</u>
73		
74	Section XI.	
75	Cemetery Expenditures	\$ 54,455.00
76	<b>Total Cemetery Expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 54,455.00</u>
77		
78	Section XII.	
79	Special Revenue Parks	\$ 46,015.00
80	<b>Total Parks and Recreation Income</b>	<u>\$ 46,015.00</u>
81		
82	Section XIII.	
83	Parks and Recreation Expenditures	\$ 46,015.00
84	<b>Total Parks and Recreation Expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 46,015.00</u>
85		
86	Section XIV.	
87	Special Revenue Lighting	\$ 26,012.00
88	<b>Total Lighting Income</b>	<u>\$ 26,012.00</u>
89		
90	Section XV.	
91	Lighting Expenditures	\$ 26,012.00
92	<b>Total Lighting Expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 26,012.00</u>
93		
94	Section XVI.	
95	Sales Tax Revenue	\$ 305,150.00
96	Use of 2014 Fund Balance	\$ -
97	<b>Total Shared Sales Tax Income</b>	<u>\$ 305,150.00</u>
98		
99	Section XVII.	
100	Professional Services	\$ -
101	Capital Outlay	\$ 85,000.00
102	Street Repairs	\$ 166,050.00

103 Use of 2014 Fund Balance	\$	-
104 Transfers to Debt Service Fund	\$	54,100.00
105 <b>Total Shared Sales Tax Expenditures</b>	\$	305,150.00
106		
107 Section XVIII.		
108 Sales Tax Revenue	\$	320,000.00
109 <b>Total Public Work Income</b>	\$	320,000.00
110		
111 Section XIX.		
112 Salaries & Benefits	\$	127,620.00
113 Telephone	\$	3,500.00
114 Auto Gas	\$	11,000.00
115 Insurance	\$	45,000.00
116 Street Repairs	\$	3,000.00
117 General Expenditures	\$	66,480.00
118 Accounting & Auditing	\$	12,000.00
119 Land Lease	\$	11,100.00
120 Garbage Dumpster Disposal	\$	1,200.00
121 Equipment Repair	\$	2,000.00
122 Hazardous Trees	\$	12,000.00
123 Structure	\$	21,600.00
124 Uniforms	\$	3,500.00
125 <b>Total Public Work Expenditures</b>	\$	320,000.00
126		
127 Section XX.		
128 Proceeds from DEQ	\$	2,000,000.00
129 <b>Total Sewer Project Fund Income</b>	\$	2,000,000.00
130		
131 Section XXI.		
132 Professional Fees	\$	71,795.00
133 Capital Outlay-Repair /GIS	\$	928,205.00
134 Contract Cost - Sleeving	\$	1,000,000.00
135 <b>Total Sewer Project Fund Expenditures</b>	\$	2,000,000.00
136		
137 THIS ORDINANCE having been introduced by Alderman Blich Welliver,		
138 seconded by Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper on this 27th day of November, 2018.		
139 THIS ORDINANCE having been adopted on motion of Alderman Murphy,		
140 seconded by Alderman Patterson.		
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142 Passed and adopted at Abita Springs, Louisiana on the 22nd day of January 2019.		

Vote was:

YEAS: 5, Aldermen Contois, Murphy, Patteson, Randolph, and Saussy

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

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Kathy Armand, Town Clerk

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Daniel J. Cutis, Mayor