



**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2025 AT 6PM
ABITA SPRINGS TOWN HALL
22161 LEVEL ST., ABITA SPRINGS, LA 70420**

Posted: August 4, 2025 4pm

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

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1.) Sandra Slifer, Keep Abita Beautiful

ROLL CALL:

Call for Agenda Modifications
Accept July 1, 2025, Town Council Meeting Minutes

REPORTS:

- Chairmen
- Marshal

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1.) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE COMMITMENT OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN TO TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND LAWFUL COORDINATION IN RESOLVING THE LEGAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND INFRASTRUCTURAL ISSUES SURROUNDING THE ABITA MEADOWS DEVELOPMENT
- 2.) RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN, TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS, LOUISIANA SUBMITTED FOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, AUGUST 5, 2025 BY ALDERMAN SAUSSY
- 3.) DISCUSSION OF SEWER OPTIONS BY ALDERMAN BOUDREAUX

OPEN/ADJOURNMENT:

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-08-01

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE COMMITMENT OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS, TO TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND LAWFUL COORDINATION IN RESOLVING THE LEGAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND INFRASTRUCTURAL ISSUES SURROUNDING THE ABITA MEADOWS DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS the Town of Abita Springs entered into a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Agreement in 2018 with Lonesome Development, LLC, regarding the Abita Meadows planned unit development; and,

WHEREAS in November 2022, a final judgment by the 22nd Judicial District Court confirmed the Development Agreement as valid and enforceable and ordered specific performance by the Town, subject to state and federal law; and,

WHEREAS the Agreement requires the Town to “provide an adequate capacity for sewerage, water, garbage, and natural gas services to the property based on maximum utilization as set forth in the PUD plan ...”; and,

WHEREAS subsequent engineering evaluations years later in 2023, have shown that the Town’s existing wastewater system lacked the capacity to serve the Abita Meadows development; and,

WHEREAS the Town is currently under a compliance order from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality due to wastewater treatment deficiencies and associated environmental risks; and,

WHEREAS under Louisiana law, including R.S. 33:362, legislative authority is vested in the Board of Aldermen, including the responsibility to approve budgets and allocate funds for municipal obligations; and,

WHEREAS each member of the Board has taken an oath to support the Constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, and to faithfully and impartially discharge their duties to the best of their ability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS THAT:

1. Legal and Fiscal Commitment

The Board acknowledges its responsibility to comply with the Order of Specific Performance of the Development Agreement and supports allocating necessary funding, consistent with applicable laws and budgetary processes, for infrastructure improvements required to fulfill obligations related to adequate sewer, water, garbage, and gas capacity.

2. Infrastructure and Engineering Solutions

The Board supports continued work with the Mayor, engineers, and consultants to develop lawful, science-based solutions that protect public health, meet environmental standards, and fulfill the Town's obligations.

3. Pursuit of Funding Options

The Board will explore all appropriate funding mechanisms, including budget adjustments, grants, and infrastructure programs, to support required improvements with fiscal responsibility.

4. Ongoing Coordination and Transparency

The Board affirms its commitment to transparent governance and constructive coordination with the Mayor and administrative staff to ensure lawful and practical outcomes in the best interest of the Town and its residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be provided to the Mayor, legal counsel, Lonesome Development, LLC, the 22nd Judicial District Court, and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED, by a motion of _____, seconded by _____ on the ____ day of _____, 2025, by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Abita Springs, State of Louisiana, in regular session duly convened.

A vote having been taken on the matter with the following result:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST



Resolution by the Board of Alderman, Town of Abita Springs, Louisiana

Submitted for Town Council meeting, August 5, 2025 by Alderman Saussy

Whereas per “Title 33 – Municipalities and Parishes R.S. 33:362 – Exercise of municipal powers; legislative, executive”.

A. (1) “The legislative powers of a municipality shall be vested in and exercised by the board of alderman”.

B. “The Mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the municipality”;

Whereas the legislative branch per the Lawrason Act; the board must approve or disapprove the annual operating and capital improvements budgets submitted by the mayor. (The Local Government Budget Act must be followed. R.S. 39:1301);

Whereas the Board of Alderman support the funding of the Town of Abita Springs obligation in the PUD agreement between Lonesome Development, LLC and the Town of Abita Springs, [Developmental Agreement, (contract)];

Whereas a law suit lodged by Lonesome Development, LLC against the Town of Abita Springs, “Lonesome Development, LLC vs Town of Abita Springs” was adjudicated to be Final, Definitive and Un-appealable Judgement, in November of 2022;

Whereas the Final, Definitive and Un-appealable Judgement established the contract between Lonesome Development, LLC and the Town of Abita springs, [Developmental Agreement, (contract)] to be valid and enforceable;

Whereas Lonesome Development, LLC winning the law suit, has opted specific performance from the Town of Abita Springs;

Whereas the Development agreement (contract) between Lonesome Development, LLC and the Town of Abita Springs states, “Town of Abita Springs shall provide an adequate capacity for sewerage, water, garbage and natural gas services to the property based on maximum utilization as set forth in PUD plan”; and



Whereas each member of the board of Alderman took an Oath: STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, I, Insert “Name of individual” do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution and laws of the United

States and the constitution and laws of this state and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as: “Position”, according to the best of my ability and understanding, so help me God; now,

Therefore be it resolved that the Board of Alderman will support the appropriate funding necessary to comply as per court order with the [Developmental agreement, (Contract)] between Lonesome development, LLC and the Town of Abita Springs.

The foregoing resolution was read in full; by Alderman Saussy, moved to Adopt, second by Alderman _____, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS NAYS ABSTAINED ABSENT

Certificate

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the board meeting _____, 20__ at which meeting a quorum was present and voting

Abita Springs, Louisiana, this _____ day of _____, 2025