

The following minutes were taken at the meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen at 6pm on September 5, 2023, at the Town Hall in Abita Springs, Louisiana. Mayor Curtis called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Boudreaux, Patterson, and Saussy were present. Aldermen Congemi and Templet were absent. Mr. Saussy moved to accept the August 2023, meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Boudreaux. All were in favor. Mr. Saussy made a motion to accept the June 2023 Financial Report, seconded by Mr. Patterson. All were in favor.

CHAIRMEN UPDATES: Mr. Boudreaux provided an update on Ms. Congemi's recovery from surgery. He also noted that the Town's Infrastructure presents an ongoing challenge. Other comments related to construction of a water park, repair of the Hickory St. Bridge and Master Plan activities.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no "Old Business" noted on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS: The prior meeting discussions of a "Golf Cart Ordinance" and amendment of the Public Amusement Section of the Code resumed. Mayor Curtis suggested that the issue related to the use of golf carts on Town roadways be postponed until recommendations from the Safe Streets 4 All Grant Program could be considered. Board Members agreed and added that the Public Amusement section of the Code of Ordinances needs to be simplified. Stewart Eastman expressed his opinion that the section should be repealed; he added that festivals should be encouraged, and that regulation is unnecessary.

OPEN: Mayor Curtis introduced Slidell Mayor and Candidate for St. Tammany Parish President, Greg Cromer, to attendees. Mr. Cromer asked for support of his candidacy, adding that he has a policy of cooperation and will continue to work together in support of all municipalities if he is elected.

Keep Abita Beautiful President, Sandra Slifer, extended a public "Thank You" to Brent Belsom of the Abita Café for his gift of a golf cart to the organization.

Mr. Saussy moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Patterson. All were in favor.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Respectfully submitted this 5th day of September 2023.

Janet Dufrene, Town Clerk

Honorable Daniel J. Curtis, Mayor