



These minutes are from the meetings of the Public Committees on November 3, 2015. Mayor Pro Tem Kilpatrick-Harper called the meeting to order; Alderman Murphy led the pledge of allegiance.

**GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE:** Alderman Berrigan moved to open the Governmental Committee Meeting and to accept the October 2015 Governmental Committee Meeting minutes, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kilpatrick-Harper.

- Alderman Berrigan invited the Mayor to discuss the possibility of moving the December 15<sup>th</sup> Town Council Meeting up a week to December 8<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Pro Tem Kilpatrick Harper explored the impact of rescheduling on the budget approval process. The Aldermen agreed to meet on December 8<sup>th</sup> commenting that if necessary, any problems could be addressed in a special meeting.

Alderman Berrigan moved to close the Governmental Committee Meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kilpatrick-Harper.

**INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE:** Alderman Murphy moved to open the Infrastructure Committee Meeting and to accept the October Infrastructure Committee Meeting minutes, seconded by Alderman Berrigan.

- Alderman Murphy introduced Andre Monnot from Principal Engineering. Mr. Monnot began a presentation of points from the engineering firm's Town of Abita Springs' "Sanitary Sewerage Improvement Study." The study identified weaknesses and recommended a course of action for systematic rehabilitation and upgrade of the sewer system infrastructure. Alderman Murphy moved to close the Infrastructure Committee Meeting, seconded by Alderman Berrigan.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Alderman Blitch Welliver moved to open the Finance Committee Meeting and accept the October 2015 Finance Committee Meeting minutes, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kilpatrick-Harper. Alderman Blitch Welliver opened discussion of Instrument 2015-008 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016. Mayor Lemons stated that he understands that the Aldermen just received the document and that they have not had an opportunity to review the details. He suggested that they take some time to examine the data and then contact the Financial Clerk, Niki Mendow with any questions. The Mayor also stated that the September 2015 Financial Report has been completed and provided for their review. Alderman Blitch Welliver moved to close the Finance Committee Meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kilpatrick-Harper.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** Alderman Curtis moved to open the Economic Development Committee Meeting and to accept the October 2015 Economic Development Committee Meeting minutes, seconded by Alderman Murphy.

- Alderman Curtis opened discussion of Instrument 2015-006 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS BY AMENDING AND RE-ORDAINING SECTIONS 9-802, 9-803, 9-804 AND 9-805 RELATIVE TO SITE REQUIREMENTS, ALLOWABLE DENSITY, SPACE BETWEEN BUILDINGS, SIZE OF LOTS, PARKING REQUIREMENTS, GREEN SPACES, HISTORIC DISTRICT REGULATIONS, FIRE HYDRANTS, PROCEDURE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTAL, ALL PERTAINING TO THE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ZONING DISTRICT AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS. Mayor Lemons directed attention to the amendment to the Instrument. The amendment addresses typographical errors and includes compulsory notification of parish entities along with a requirement for an infrastructure impact capacity review of proposed planned unit developments. Alderman Berrigan asked if Harrison Ave. is considered a corridor over which the Historic Commission would have jurisdiction. Mayor Lemons answered that commercial development on the corridor would be subject to Historic Commission consideration. Mayor Pro Tem Kilpatrick-Harper went through points from the introduced PUD instrument including among others density calculations, parking requirements, traffic ingress and egress, green space calculations, and fire hydrant placement. The Mayor Pro Tem also pointed out that the proposed ordinance states all plan submissions include a letter from the St. Tammany Parish Assessor affirming that there are no delinquent taxes on the property, adding that the Sheriff's Office is the proper authority for this task. Town Attorney, Edward Deano noted that a reference to performance standards in the document is ambiguous and that for the sake of clarity the term should be replaced with the word requirements. The Alderman agreed and directed that the aforementioned points be included in the proposed amendment.

Alderman Curtis moved to close the Economic Development Committee meeting, seconded by Alderman Murphy.

Alderman Blitch Welliver moved to close the meeting of the Public Committees,  
seconded by Alderman Curtis,

MEETING ADJOURNED  
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 3rd DAY OF NOVEMBER 2015.

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Kathy Armand, Town Clerk

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Greg Lemons, Mayor