

# Town of Abita Springs, La.

TOWN CLERK  
CLERK OF COURT  
KATHY ARMAND

FINANCIAL CLERK  
NIKI MENDOW

COUNCIL CLERK  
LEANNE SCHAEFER

ATTORNEY  
EDWARD DEANO

CERTIFIED BUILDING OFFICIAL  
DAVID CHATELAIN

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
JOHNNY CLAY



MAYOR  
GREG LEMONS

ALDERMEN  
PATRICIA FLAD EDMISTON  
(MAYOR PRO-TEM)

PATRICK BERRIGAN  
GINA KILPATRICK HARPER  
PAT PATTERSON  
LESLIE BLITCH WELLIVER

UTILITY MANAGER  
DEBRA MACLEAN

UTILITY CLERK II  
LINDA MEEKER

PLANNING & ZONING DIRECTOR  
CINDY CHATELAIN

TOWN MARSHALL  
JOE CANDILORA

The following minutes were taken from the regular monthly meeting of the Public Committees on June 3, 2014.

Mayor Lemons called the Public Committee Meeting to order. Mayor Pro Tem Flad Edmiston and Alderman Patterson were absent.

**GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE:** Alderman Berrigan opened the Governmental Committee and moved to accept the May 2014 Governmental Committee Meeting minutes, seconded by Mayor Lemons.

1. Alderman Berrigan opened discussion of INSTRUMENT 2014-003 an ordinance to provide for the annexation of the west one-half right-of-way of Carnation St from its intersection from Louisiana Hwy 36 to Independence St. Mayor Lemons explained the transfer has been pending with the Parish for some time and Abita Lumber is interested in purchasing the property.

Alderman Berrigan moved to close the Governmental Committee, seconded by Mayor Lemons.

**INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE:** Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper moved to open the Infrastructure Committee and accept the May 2014 Infrastructure Committee Meeting minutes, seconded by Mayor Lemons.

1. Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper turned the discussion of on street parking on Hickory St. near Level St. to Alderman Berrigan. Alderman Berrigan advised the Board that parking on Hickory St. appears to have become a problem and would like to see parking regulations clarified and suggested the possibility of signage. Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper added that indicating no-parking areas through painting of cross hatching on the roadway might assist residents and visitors in determining where they can legally park. Mayor Lemons agreed to have the Town Engineer determine how to best deal with the issue and asked Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper to forward the applicable state parking statute(s) to his attention.
2. Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper opened discussion of drive through establishments in Town limits yielding to Alderman Welliver. Alderman Welliver raised concerns related to a proposed drive through location at the Abita Cafe specifically mentioning traffic and safety considerations. Further, she stated that after learning that the code of ordinances does not prohibit drive through locations she would like to move forward to add a prohibition through an ordinance. Alderman Berrigan suggested the restriction apply to the Cultural District. Mayor Lemons added the Planning and Zoning Commission reviews proposed drive-through locations and has the authority to approve or deny any application. Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper mentioned she contacted the Cafe regarding the painted message on the side of the old snowball stand building. Mayor Lemons recommended monitoring the drive through application process through Planning and Zoning and to revisit the topic as necessary.

Alderman Kilpatrick- Harper moved to close the Infrastructure Committee, seconded by Mayor Lemons.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Alderman Blich Welliver moved to open the Finance Committee and to accept the May 2014 Finance Committee Meeting minutes, seconded by Mayor Lemons.

Alderman Blich Welliver motioned to open the agenda to include mention that the 2013 Budget Amendment, Instrument 2014-002 which is scheduled for a vote at the next Town Council Meeting will require further amendment.

Alderman Blich Welliver moved to close the Finance Committee, seconded by Mayor Lemons.

Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper introduced a discussion of her concern over rising water in the playground area including possible drowning hazards. She suggested consideration be given to the problem and recommended placing barricades to prevent access.

Alderman Berrigan moved to close the meeting of the Public Committees, seconded by Alderman Kilpatrick-Harper.

MEETING ADJOURNED

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JUNE, 2014.

---

Kathy Armand, Town Clerk

---

Honorable Greg Lemons, Mayor