Minutes of Rescheduled Regular Meeting

Of the

Fordoche Town Council

April 16, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Fordoche Town Hall- 5390 Fordoche Road, Fordoche, Louisiana, 70732

Call to order

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Teddy Gros

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Teddy Gros

Roll call

Present: Teddy Gros, Beth Lacombe, Kirk Lacombe, Tori Robillard, Charlie Sonnier

Absent: Cody Gros

Amend Agenda - None

Adopt Minutes

Motion by Beth Lacombe, seconded by Tori Robillard

Resolved, Minutes of March 11 and March 19, 2025 meetings are approved.

Review and approval of invoices and financial statements

Motion by Beth Lacombe, seconded by Charlie Sonnier

Resolved, invoices and financial statements of previous month reviewed and approved.

Public Comment - None

Reports

Mayor – Mayor Gros reported on the fair last week. Waiting for one final food bill. Will be able to inform every one of the final profit of the fair. He commended the police officers for the great job they did to make sure the fair was safe. He recognized Fordoche Police Officer Brandon Pridemore for leading the group.

Town Manager – The state combined both state appropriations, (Water tower, Water Lines) into one account. This is for easier tracking and management of the projects. This week, we were informed by the Delta Regional Authority that the town was awarded a grant in the total amount of \$396,890.00 for the water tower construction. This will result in the water tower construction being completely funded by this grant and state funds with a total cost of \$2,171,000.00.

Park/Drainage Commissioner – Ms. Robillard – Reported that the park playground is complete with its upgrade. She will purchase new swing components this month.

Beautification Commissioner – Ms. LaCombe – Reported on efforts for town welcoming signs updating. She and Ms. Robillard discussed having park benches around the pond being sponsored by families. Ms. Lacombe will have an update next meeting.

Grass Commissioner – Mr. Lacombe – He is working on getting the tractor with the boom mower repaired. It will have to be picked up by John Deer because of the hydraulic pump is out.

New Business

Proclamation – Fair Housing Month
Motion by Beth Lacombe, seconded by Charlie Sonnier.

Resolved, the month of April is proclaimed as Fair Housing Month.

Motion carried unanimously.

DRA Grant Award

Motion by Beth Lacombe, seconded Kirk Lacombe,

Resolved, Justin K. Cox be and is hereby designated and appointed to perform on behalf of Town of Fordoche and has the authority to make those acts and assume any and all duties in dealing with the award with DRA for the Fiscal Year - 2025 federal award program cycle.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kirk Lacombe, seconded by Tori Robillard,

Resolved, the town manager is hereby authorized to execute and submit any and all documents including, but not limited to, applications, award closing documents, request for funds, status reports to DRA for the Fiscal Year - 2025 federal award program cycle

Resolved further, in the event of an administration change, the new Town Manager or Mayor shall continue to have such authority under this Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion Kirk Lacombe, seconded by Charlie Sonnier **Resolved**, to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

By our signatures, we hereby attest true and approved minutes of the Town of Fordoche.

Teddy P. Gros, Mayor

Justin K. Cox Town Manager