

**Minutes of Regular Meeting /Public Meeting**  
Of the  
**Fordoche Town Council**  
**January 9, 2024**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Fordoche Town Hall, 5390 Fordoche Rd, Fordoche, Louisiana, 70732**

**Call to order**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Teddy Gros

**Public Meeting – Adopt 2024 General and Utility Fund Budgets**

A public meeting was held to consider adoption of 2024 General and Utility Fund Budgets. With no comments from the public, Mayor Gros declared the public meeting closed.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Gros

**Roll call**

Present: Cody Gros, Beth LaCombe, Kirk LaCombe, Tori Robillard, Charles Sonnier

Absent: None

**Amend Agenda**

Motion by Tori Robillard, seconded by Beth LaCombe

To include discussion of an appointed Chief of Police versus elected Chief of Police

Also to include discussion of blighted property ordinance

Motion passed

**Adopt Minutes**

Motion by Beth LaCombe, seconded by Kirk LaCombe

To approve January 9, 2024 Minutes as written

**Review and approval of invoices and financial statements**

Motion by Tori Robillard, seconded by Cody Gros

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

Motion passed

**Public Comment**

None

**Reports**

**Mayor Gros**

Working on the 2024 Annual Fair. It will be held on April 4-6.

**New Business**

**Adoption of Ordinance for 2024 General Fund and Utility Fund Budgets**

Said Ordinance having been introduced on January 9, 2024, by Beth LaCombe, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held on January 9, 2024, on motion by Beth LaCombe, seconded by Cody Gros, to adopt the Ordinance, a record vote was taken and the following results were had:

YEAS: Cody Gros, Beth LaCombe, Kirk LaCombe, Tori Robillard, Charles Sonnier

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Ordinance declared adopted and effective January 9, 2024, by vote of 5/0/0/0

Introduction – Clerk’s 3% Cost of Living Adjustment.

Motion by Cody Gros, seconded by Charlie Sonnier

Motion passed

Introduction – Ordinance on Mobile Homes in the city limits

Motion by Beth LaCombe, seconded by Cody Gros

Motion passed

Mrs. Lynnell Ransome presented the Town with the quilt that was made by Mrs. Bergeron’s 4-H Class at Fordoche Elementary School.

Mrs. Bergeron’s daughter, Claire Badeaux, was also present to share about her mom.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Beth LaCombe, seconded by Tori Robillard

Resolved, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40p.m.

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

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**Teddy Gros, Mayor**

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**Tara LeBlanc, Deputy Clerk**