Minutes of Regular Meeting Of the Fordoche Town Council November 10, 2025 6:30 p.m.

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

Regular Meeting

Call to order

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tempore Beth LaCombe

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance led by Beth Lacombe

Roll Call

Present: Beth LaCombe, Kirk LaCombe, Tori Robillard Absent: Teddy Gros, Cody Gros, Charlie Sonnier

Amend Agenda - None

Adopt Minutes

Motion by Tori Robillard, seconded by Kirk LaCombe Resolved, Minutes of October 14, 2025 meeting are approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Review and approval of invoices and financial statements

Motion by Tori Robillard, seconded by Kirk LaCombe **Resolved**, invoices and financial statements of previous month reviewed and approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment - None

Reports

Mayor - Absent

Town Manager – Justin Cox reported that the culverts are ordered to fix the erosion problems on 4 properties on Sewell Street, draining to Hwy 77. He has requested \$5,000.00 from the parish to help with drainage repairs. The total project is \$15k. The new tractor and mower have been received. Benches and picnic tables will be in this week. The park bathrooms have been updated. The foundation for the tower is constructed. Steel for the water tower will arrive next month and construction should be complete in May 2026. Commended Kirk LaCombe and Fred Smith for their continued volunteer service to the town.

Police Chief - D. Poirrier reported the following

- 4 traffic citations were issued and 8 warnings issued
- 1 arrest was made
- 6 calls for service
- 2 vehicle accidents
- 3 welfare concerns
- 1 suspicious persons report
- FP-1 and FP-2 are both in service
- Two Halo cameras were obtained at a rate of \$150 per month
- Completed NCIC Audits and we are in full compliance with Louisiana CJIS and LLETS requirements

Drainage Commissioner – Tori Robillard reported everything looks good and dry.

Beautification Commissioner – Beth LaCombe reported all flowers in front of town hall look great. P.C. Electric will be contacted this week to schedule Christmas flags to be hung up.

Grass Commissioner – Kirk LaCombe reported everything looks good.

Water – Waiting on a quote to cap well # 1. Mr. Cox did state he sent in an appeal to LDH to let the town continue to use the water well for fire protection purposes.

New Business

Motion by Kirk LaCombe, seconded by Tori Robillard,

Manager Cox submitted the following amendments to the 2025 General Fund Budget.

Revenue

- 4226 Intergovernmental revenue \$100,000
- 4230 Local intergovernmental grant \$25,000
- 4228 LGAP Grant \$25,000

Expenditures

- 8928 Dump trailer \$11,500
- 8927 Tractor \$51,000
- 8926 Mower \$14,000
- 9924 Pavilions \$25, 800
- 9951 Picnic table and benches \$10,000
- 6903 Police ballistic vest \$3,000
- 6902 Police Radio \$3,200

Resolved, the General Fund budget is amended as stated above,

Roll call,

YEAS: Beth Lacombe, Kirk LaCombe, Tori Robillard

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Cody Gros, Charles Sonnier

Motion carried unanimously.

Property plat for Tom McGill
Motion by Kirk LaCombe, seconded by Tori Robillard
Resolved, the plat as presented for Tom McGill is approved.
Motion carried unanimously.

Qualified Small Employer Health Reimbursement Arrangement (QSEHRA)

Motion by Tori Robillard, seconded by Kirk LaCombe

Resolved, the town will enroll the full time non-elected employees into the QSEHRA program.

Resolved further, each employee will receive up to \$500 per month for medical reimbursement.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Contract- Maintenance Coverage on Phone System Motion by Tori Robillard, seconded by Kirk LaCombe **Resolved**, contract is approved and signed. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Contract- 2 Halos Body Cameras for the police department.

Motion by Tori Robillard, seconded by Kirk LaCombe

Resolved, the Mayor Pro-Tempore is approved to sign the contract, to begin January 2026.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion by Tori Robillard, seconded by Kirk LaCombe **Resolved**, to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Beth LaCombe, Mayor Pro-Tempore

Dana Bergeron, Town Clerk