

**MUNICIPAL MINUTES, TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, STATE OF LOUISIANA,
REGULAR MEETING MARCH 5, 2007**

ATTENDANCE

MAYOR: Roger Boudreaux

CHIEF OF POLICE: Albert Venable, Sr.

ALDERMEN: Errol Comeaux – (Ward 5), Aimia Doucet (Ward 4), Gary Duplechin (Ward 3), Kevin Fontenot (Ward 2), Debra Thomas (Ward 1),

ABSENT: Roger Boudreaux

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Charles Labbe (Municipal Clerk), John Larson (Water Works Director), Brad Andrus (Legal Counsel)

COMMENCEMENT

Call to order.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gary Duplechin called the Regular Council Meeting to order.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Mayor Pro Tempore opened the meeting with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of a revised agenda

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by Thomas to revise the agenda to include the discussion and/or action related to the following: Bike Route, Final Approval on Certificates of Indebtedness, Police Employment, and an Application for Beer License.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Reading and approval of the minutes for the February 2007 Regular Meeting and the February 22, 2007 Special Meeting

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by Thomas to accept the minutes as written with the inclusion of a correction submitted by Mr. Comeaux.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Bike Route

It was moved by Doucet, seconded by Thomas to endorse the designation of Highway 35 as a Bike Route.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Final Approval on Certificates of Indebtedness

It was moved by Doucet, seconded by Comeaux for the final approval of Certificates of Indebtedness for the Street Improvement Project.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Tree Board Request for removal and replacement of Trees on St. Anne Blvd.

Upon recommendation by the Church Point Tree Board it was moved by Doucet, seconded by Comeaux for the removal of Trees on St. Anne Blvd. and replacing them with Chinese Pistachio as part of a matching grant received from the Louisiana Department of Forestry.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Beer License

Upon recommendation by the Chief of Police it was moved by Doucet, seconded by Thomas to approve a beer license to be issued Kool Kegs, Inc..

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion unanimously adopted.

South Church Point Subdivision

It was reported that the Zoning Commission met on Monday February 26, 2007 for the purpose of reviewing the proposed South Church Point Subdivision Plat along with related comments from the municipal engineer. As a result the Zoning Commission recommended to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the proposed plat be approved as presented. In addition the commission recommended approval of a wavier of the 500' limit for a dead end street stipulated in the subdivision regulation.

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by Fontenot to retire into executive session.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Duplechin, Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot
NAYS:
ABSTAIN: None
Motion unanimously adopted

It was moved by Doucet, seconded by Thomas to reconvene into regular session.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot
NAYS:
ABSTAIN: None
Motion unanimously adopted

Attorney Brad Andrus summarized executive session stating that a brief discussion ensued as to whether an executive session was appropriate in this situation. Concluding that it was uncertain therefore the regular session was then immediately reconvened.

It was moved by Doucet, seconded by Thomas to take the consideration of the South Church Point Subdivision under advisement while additional information is gathered over the next thirty days.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot
NAYS:
ABSTAIN: None
Motion unanimously adopted

Reserve Police Officer

Upon the recommendation of Chief of Police Albert Venable it was moved by Comeaux, seconded by Fontenot to approve John Savoy as a reserve police officer upon satisfactory psychological evaluation.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted

Speed Control Devices

It was moved by Doucet, seconded by Fontenot to approve the installation of Speed Control Devices as per engineering recommendations.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted

Procurement of Public Work Trucks

It was moved by Doucet, seconded by Thomas to authorize the Mayor to negotiate procurement of public works trucks.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted

Budget Amendment

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by Doucet to amend the budget to accommodate an invoice from Mire/Branch Water System.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted

Final Adoption of Annexation Ordinance

It was moved by Comeaux and seconded by Fontenot to adopt the following introduced ordinance on enlarging the boundaries of the Town of Church Point, Louisiana by the annexation of property pursuant to petition (Reggie Smith):

Whereas, a majority of the residents and property owners of the hereinafter described property have filed a petition (the "petition") requesting that the said property be annexed into the corporate limits of the Town of Church Point, and

Whereas the Acadia Parish Assessor and the Acadia Parish Registrar of Voters have issued certificates certifying that the petition contains sufficient signatures of property owners and registered voters to comply with the provisions of L.S.A.-R.S. 33:171 et. seq.;

SECTION 1

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen that, in accordance with the provisions of LSA-R.S. 33:717 et. seq. that the corporate boundaries of the Town of Church Point are hereby revised so as to annex and incorporate into the corporate limits of the Town of Church Point the following described property, to-wit:

That certain tract of land, situated in Section 6, Township Eight South (T-8-S), Range Three East (R-3-E), Acadia Parish, Louisiana, said tract being more particularly described as: Commencing from 596.27 feet from the current corporate limits along the west side of Louisiana Highway 95 to a depth of 355.97 feet from Louisiana Highway 95.

SECTION 2.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all rights, privileges, duties, obligations and all powers of whatsoever nature incident to the incorporation thereof, as set forth in the Code of Ordinances, Town of Church Point, Louisiana, and in the constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, shall apply to said property, its citizens and the Town of Church Point, Louisiana.

SECTION 3.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that within ten days after adoption hereof, a description of the entire boundary of the Town as changed herein shall be prepared by a licensed engineer, and recorded by the Municipal Clerk in the conveyance records of Acadia Parish, Louisiana, as provided by LSA-R.S. 33:178.

SECTION 4.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the referenced area be included in the confines of Election District Five (5).

SECTION 5.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become operative thirty days after it has been adopted and published once in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Church Point, Louisiana

This ordinance having been submitted for vote, the vote is as follows:

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: None

Ordinance unanimously adopted

Roger Boudreaux, Mayor

Charles A. Labbe, Municipal Clerk

The ordinance will come into effect 30 days after the first publication of the acceptance of this ordinance.

Adjourn

There being no further business it was moved by Doucet, seconded by Comeaux to adjourn the meeting.

YEAS: Comeaux, Doucet, Thomas, Fontenot

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

ROGER BOUDREAUX, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHARLES A. LABBE, MUNICIPAL CLERK