

**Minutes
Special Meeting
Town of Iowa
115 N. Thomson
June 6, 2022
Iowa, La
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor and Town Council met in special session this date in compliance with all requirements as to notice.

Present: Paul Hesse, Mayor; Council Members: Vernessa Guillory, Daniel Hennigan, Julie Fontenot and Gerald Guidry [quorum was met]; Town Attorney Eugene Bouquet; Chief of Police Keith Vincent; and Town Clerk Cynthia Mallett; Absent Council Member Joe Becnel

Invocation by Mayor Paul Hesse followed by Pledge.

Mayor Hesse called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Hesse presented the proposed drawing for the new baseball fields, He stated that the Buddy Ball Field would be completed first and is included in the budget, the two back fields would be in the next phase. He said after a cost estimate of the two fields is received, it would be brought to the Council for approval. There was discussion about the size of the two back ball fields and the change in the design from the design of 2019. There were questions about the need of a 300-foot baseball field as the new design showed versus the previous design. Council Member Julie Fontenot asked that this be discussed further at the regular meeting next Monday.

Mayor Hesse explained the assumptions, capital outlays, projects, revenues, and grants expected and as presented to the Council for the 2022-2023 Fiscal budget. He proceeded to explain the projection for revenue and expenditures of each fund separately and individually. There was discussion about the planned projects and expected outcome.

Mayor Hesse asked if the Council Members had any questions about the budget. Council Member Daniel Hennigan asked if a proposed amount of \$750,000.00 could be included in Sales Tax I, Capital Outlay, as an estimated cost for the two back baseball fields. Mayor Hesse agreed. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Julie Fontenot to amend proposed budget to add \$750,000.00 to Sales Tax I, Capital Outlay, regarding the back ball fields. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Hesse announced the resignation of Fire District Board Member, Debbie Muir. He recommended Ms. Pam Adams be approved for the replacement. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Julie Fontenot to approve Ms. Pam Adams as Iowa Fire District Board Member. The motion passed unanimously.

It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Vernessa Guillory to adjourn meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.

ATTEST:

Paul Hesse, Mayor

Cynthia Mallett, MMC