

**Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
115 N. Thomson, Iowa, LA 70647  
City Hall Meeting Room  
March 8, 2021 6:30p.m.**

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

Present: Mayor Paul Hesse; Council Members: Gerald Guidry, Daniel Hennigan, and Vernessa Guillory; Town Clerk Cynthia Mallett; Town Attorney Eugene Bouquet; Chief of Police Keith Vincent; Fire Chief Lewis and about 13 citizens. Notation: Council Member Julie Fontenot entered the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Invocation by Mayor Hesse, followed by Pledge.

Mayor Hesse announced a quorum was met with Gerald Guidry, Vernessa Guillory, and Daniel Hennigan present and called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Vernessa Guillory to adopt agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Vernessa Guillory, to approve February 8, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as written, not read. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Julie Fontenot joined meeting at 6:35 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Mayor Hesse explained the need to adopt the resolution ordering and calling a sales and use tax election. He read the title of the resolution. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Gerald Guidry to adopt said resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

Iowa, Louisiana  
March 8, 2021

The Town Council of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, met in regular public session at 6:30 o'clock p.m. on March 8, 2021, at the regular meeting place of the Town Council, Iowa City Hall, 115 North Thomson, Iowa, Louisiana, and the following members present:

Gerald Guidry, Julie Fontenot, Daniel Hennigan, and Vernessa Guillory

ABSENT: Joe Becnel

The meeting was called to order and the roll called with the above result.

Thereupon, the following resolution was offered by Daniel Hennigan and seconded by Gerald Guidry, and was approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Gerald Guidry, Julie Fontenot, Daniel Hennigan, and Vernessa Guillory

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Joe Becnel

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SALES AND USE TAX ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA, ON OCTOBER 9, 2021; AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A SALES AND USE TAX BY THE TOWN; MAKING THE TAX PERPETUAL; AND MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary and desirable by the Mayor and Town Council, governing authority of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana (the "Town"), that an election be called to permit the electorate of the Town to consider a proposition authorizing renewal of a sales and use tax of 1/2%, in perpetuity beginning July 1, 2022, upon the sale at retail, use, lease or rental, consumption and storage for use or consumption of tangible personal property and on sales of services within the Town (the "Tax"), with the avails of the Tax (after paying the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administering the Tax) dedicated and used within the Town for flood control maintenance and flood control improvements; economic development activities; capital improvements and maintenance to the Town Hall and Town Park; and

WHEREAS, authority for the sales and use tax election of the Town for such purposes and for levy and collection of such taxes is granted by Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of 1974 of the State of Louisiana, all other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, provided levy of such taxes is first authorized by a majority of the qualified electors of the Town voting on the proposition at an election to be held for such purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council, as defined below, desires to provide for holding an election at which renewal of a proposition for levy of such tax, as described above, may be submitted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council, governing authority of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana ("the Town Council"):

SECTION 1. The statements of fact expressly contained within the preamble to this Resolution have been specifically reviewed by the Town Council and are found to be factually true and correct, and are made resolutions of the Town.

SECTION 2. Subject to approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of 1974 of the State of Louisiana, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, a special election be and is hereby called and ordered to be held in Town on **Saturday, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021**, between the hours of seven (7:00) o'clock a.m. and eight (8:00) o'clock p.m., in compliance with the provisions of Section 1181 of Title 18 and of Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and that at said special election there be submitted to all the qualified electors of the Town entitled and qualified to vote at said election under the Constitution and laws of the United States, the following proposition:

**TOWN OF IOWA PROPOSITION  
(1/2% SALES TAX RENEWAL)**

Shall the Town of Iowa, Louisiana (the "Town") pursuant to Article VI, Section 29 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, and other constitutional and statutory authority, be authorized to renew levy and collection of a sales and use tax of one-half percent (1/2%) (the "Tax"), previously authorized at an election held on October 22, 2011, in perpetuity beginning July 1, 2022, upon the sale at retail, use, lease or rental, consumption and storage for use or consumption of tangible personal property and on sales of services within the Town, all as presently or hereafter defined in La. R.S. 47:301 to 47:317, inclusive, with collections from the levy of the Tax estimated to be \$430,669.00 for one entire year, with the proceeds of the Tax (after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the Tax) to be dedicated and used for the following purposes: flood control maintenance and flood control improvements; economic development activities; capital improvements and maintenance to the Town Hall and Town Park situated in the Town of Iowa?

SECTION 3. There shall be published notice of said election in the *American Press*, a daily newspaper of general circulation within the Town, published in Lake Charles, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the Town Council, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for the election, which notice shall be substantially in accordance with the Notice of Special Election annexed hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference, the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 4. Officers designated or such substitutes as may be selected, designated and sworn in compliance with Sections 1286 through 1289 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, shall hold the election substantially in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, except that the election is called and shall be conducted, canvassed, and promulgated, and notice thereof given in accordance with the procedures set forth in Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Said election officers shall make due returns of said election at a regular meeting of the Town Council to be held at its regular meeting place, Iowa Town Hall, 115 N. Thomson, Iowa, Louisiana, on **Monday, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021, at 6:30 o'clock p.m.**, at which time said Town Council will, then and there, in open and public session, examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of said special election. The compensation of election officials be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum as specified in Section 426.1 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Assessed valuations shall not be voted in this election, and all qualified electors of the Town are entitled to vote therein. Voting machines shall be used in this election, and voters shall not be required to sign a ballot or vote assessed valuation of property. The permanent registration law of the State of Louisiana being in force in Calcasieu Parish, said election shall be conducted in accordance with applicable provisions thereof.

SECTION 5. The Clerk of the Town Council be and she is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for furnishing said election officers, in ample time for holding of said election the necessary equipment, forms and other election paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election.

SECTION 6. Application is hereby formally made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 2, Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and in compliance with Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of 1974 of the State of Louisiana, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, for consent, approval and authority to hold the aforesaid election in the Town, and in the event such election carries, for consent and authority to levy and collect the sales and use taxes therein provided. The Secretary is empowered, authorized and requested to forward to the State Bond Commission a certified copy of this resolution which shall constitute a formal application to said Commission as herein provided.

By virtue of the Town's application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Produces Hedges, Etc.," adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other products(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby.

SECTION 7. Certified copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parish of Calcasieu, and the Registrar of Voters, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as authorized and required by law.

SECTION 8. There being a real public necessity for the retention and employment of legal counsel to provide specialized legal services in connection with the election, and it appearing that the public interest requires obtaining of such specialized legal services, Joseph A. Delafield, A Professional Corporation, of Lake Charles, Louisiana is hereby employed for such purposes. Fees of special counsel shall be in accordance with the fee schedule of the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana.

SECTION 9. The costs to conduct and canvass the returns of the election provided for herein is estimated to be \$11,700 by the Louisiana Secretary of State.

SECTION 10. All resolutions, ordinances, or orders in conflict herewith, be, to the extent of such conflict, and they are hereby repealed.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

ATTEST:

/s/Paul Hesse  
PAUL HESSE, Mayor

/s/ Cynthia Mallett  
Cynthia Mallett, Municipal Clerk

(Other business not pertinent to the within excerpt may be found of record in the official minutes.)  
Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

/s/Paul Hesse  
PAUL HESSE, Mayor

/s/ Cynthia Mallett  
Cynthia Mallett, Municipal Clerk

Mayor Hesse explained the next item on the agenda was resolution 2021-04, which is also required for the election. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Vernessa Guillory to approve the resolution 2021-04. Motion passed unanimously.

Iowa, Louisiana  
March 8, 2021

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Gerald Guidry, Julie Fontenot, Daniel Hennigan, and Vernessa Guillory

ABSENT: Joe Becnel

The meeting was called to order and the roll called with the above result.

Thereupon, the following resolution was offered by Daniel Hennigan and seconded by Vernessa Guillory, was approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Gerald Guidry, Julie Fontenot, Daniel Hennigan, and Vernessa Guillory

NAYS: None

#### **RESOLUTION 2021-04**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE  
DESCRIBING THE GEOGRAPHIC LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF  
IOWA, LOUISIANA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana (the "Town Council"), as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The statements of fact expressly contained within the preamble to this Resolution have been specifically reviewed by the Town Council and are found to be factually true and correct, and are made resolutions of the Town.

**SECTION 2.** The ordinance adopted by the Town Council March 29, 2001, as revised August 3, 2011 to correct a typographical error, amending the boundaries of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby ratified, approved and confirmed.

SECTION 3. The Town Clerk is empowered, authorized and requested to cause to be published a public notice describing the geographic limits of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, said publication to be made in the *American Press*, in the same edition as the Notice to Voters is published, pertaining to the special tax election authorized for the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, by resolution adopted this date.

Adopted and approved on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

/s/ Paul Hesse  
PAUL HESSE, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Cynthia Mallett  
CYNTHIA MALLETT, Town Clerk

(Other business not pertinent to the present excerpt may be found of record in the official minutes.)

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Paul Hesse  
PAUL HESSE, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Cynthia Mallett  
CYNTHIA MALLETT, Town Clerk

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
PARISH OF CALCASIEU

I, **CYNTHIA MALLETT**, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana.

I further certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, held on March 8, 2021, insofar as said minutes pertain to the matters therein set out, and that the foregoing copy of a resolution adopted at said meeting is a true and correct copy of the original resolution as it is officially of record in my possession.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, witness my official signature and the impress of the official seal of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

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**CYNTHIA MALLETT**, Town Clerk  
[S E A L]

PUBLIC NOTICE  
OF  
GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES OF  
THE TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

Begin at the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4 of NW/4) of Section 31, Township 9 South, Range 6 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana;  
Thence North along the West line of said Section 31 and along the West line of Section 30 of said Township 9 South, Range 6 West to the Northwest corner of said Section 30;  
Thence East along the North line of said Section 30 to the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE/4 of NW/4) of said Section 30;  
Thence North along the West line of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW/4 of SE/4) of Section 19, said Township 9 South, Range 6 West, to the Northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW/4 of SE/4) of said Section 19;  
Thence East along the North line of the South Half of the South Half (S/2 of S/2) of said Section 19, a distance of 60.0 feet;  
Thence N 00° 31' 37" E 321.88 feet;  
Thence N 86° 10' 20" E 1666.17 feet;  
Thence N 45° 32' 21" E 558.53 feet;  
Thence N 12° 52' 38" W 122.19 feet;  
Thence N 36° 27' 32" W 200.31 feet;  
Thence N 00° 19' 33" E 450.0 feet;  
Thence S 89° 54' 43" E 203.4 feet;  
Thence N 00° 19' 33" E 2184.38 feet;  
Thence S 89° 40' 27" E 480.0 feet to the West line of Section 20, said Township 9 South, Range 6 West;  
Thence S 00° 19' 33" W 1179.52 feet along the West line of said Section 20;  
Thence S 89° 40' 27" E 480.0 feet;  
Thence S 07° 50' 20" E 1267.38 feet;  
Thence S 00° 24' 08" W 510.0 feet;  
Thence S 38° 24' 39" E 256.77 feet;  
Thence N 85° 54' 07" E 1454.2 feet;  
Thence N 00° 10' 30" W 1896.49 feet;  
Thence N 87° 40' 42" E 408.0 feet;  
Thence N 89° 29' 18" E 2685.53 feet to the East line of said Section 20;  
Thence S 00° 04' 33" W 2185.74 feet along the East line of said Section 20 to the North right-of-way line of Interstate Highway No. 10;  
Thence along the North right-of-way line of Interstate Highway No. 10 to a point, said point being S 88° 15' 06" W 754.15 feet from the intersection of the East line of said Section 20 and the North right-of-way line of Interstate Highway No. 10;  
Thence S 84° 53' 27" W 2338.43 feet along the North right-of-way line of Interstate Highway No. 10;  
Thence S 00° 10' 00" W 300 feet, more or less, to the North line of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE/4 of SW/4) of said Section 20;  
Thence East along the North line of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE/4 of SW/4) of said Section 20 to the West line of the West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W/2 of SE/4) of said Section 20;  
Thence North along the West line of the West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W/2 of SE/4) of said Section 20 to the South right-of-way line of Interstate Highway No. 10;  
Thence East along the South right-of-way line of Interstate Highway No. 10 to the East line of said Section 20;  
  
Thence South along the East line of said Section 20 and along the East line of Section 29 and Section 32 of said Township 9 South, Range 6 West, to the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4 of NE/4) of said Section 32;  
Thence West along the South line of the North Half of the North Half (N/2 of N/2) of said Section

32 to the East line of Gregg Park Addition, per plat bearing File No. 1766421 filed in Plat Book 31 at Page 148, records of said Calcasieu Parish;  
Thence South along the East line of said Gregg Park Addition to the Southeast corner of said Gregg Park Addition;  
Thence West along the South line of said Gregg Park Addition to the East line of Kinney Street (Avenue);  
Thence North along the East line of Kinney Street (Avenue) to the point of intersection with the Easterly prolongation of the South line of Block 10 of the Norris Subdivision per plat bearing File No. 814299 filed in Plat Book 12 at Page 38;  
Thence West along the Easterly prolongation of the South line and along the South line and along the Westerly prolongation of the South line of said Block 10 to the intersection with the East line of said Section 31;  
Thence North along the East line of said Section 31 to the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4 of NE/4) of said Section 31;  
Thence West along the South line of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4 of NE/4) of said Section 31, a distance of 30.0 feet to the West right-of-way line of South Thomson Avenue;  
Thence South along the West right-of-way line of South Thomson Avenue 60.0 feet;  
Thence N 89° 08' 36" W 152.21 feet, more or less, to the Northeast corner of Lot 14 of the Southland Estates Subdivision, per plat bearing Clerk's File No. 2419223, and recorded in Plat Book 36 at Page 11, Records of Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana;  
Thence S 00° 10' 10" E 181.34 feet;  
Thence S 89° 29' 35" E 152.19 feet to the West right-of-way line of South Thomson Avenue;  
Thence S 00° 10' 10" E 836.96 feet along the West right-of-way line of South Thomson Avenue to the Southeast corner of Lot 7 of said Southland Estates Subdivision;  
Thence N 59° 33' 48" W 476.86 feet (Note: With the exception of the first 78.62 feet, this line is approximately parallel to and 15 feet perpendicular to a 16' Louisiana Gas Pipeline and approximates the North right-of-way line of said pipeline);  
Thence N 61° 22' 40" W 1004.47 feet, parallel to and 15 feet Northeast of said pipeline;  
Thence N 61° 40' 46" W, parallel to and 15 feet Northeast of said pipeline to the intersection with the South line of North Half of the North Half (N/2 of N/2) of said Section 31;  
Thence West along the South line of the North Half of the North Half (N/2 of N/2) of said Section 31 to the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4 of NW/4) of said Section 31 and the Point of Beginning.

/s/ Paul Hesse  
PAUL HESSE, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Cynthia Mallett  
CYNTHIA MALLETT, Town Clerk

Mayor Hesse gave an update on the proposed culvert program. He explained the difference in materials considered to be used for the culverts. He will continue to give updates as the program progresses.

Mayor reported that an appraisal on a parcel of property was completed for the proposed police emergency center, and the appraisal came in lower than the asking price. He announced the seller may order an appraisal himself and if needed the town could order another for comparisons. He said that the Chief of Police is looking at other parcels.

Mayor Hesse announced that a meeting will be held on March 15, 2021 to hear from property owners that were contacted about the proposed condemnation of their structure.

New Business:

Engineer Walt Jessen reported to the Mayor and Council updates on the asphalt paving of Barkley and Helen Street. He recommended the council approve Change Order #1, for additional streets. It was **moved by**

Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Vernessa Guillory to approve Change Order #1. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jessen gave an update to Sewer Line Rehabilitation of Helen and Barkley Street Area Project. He requested the council approve pay request from E.B. Feucht. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Julie Fontenot to pay E. B. Feucht as requested. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Jessen requested the council approve pay request from D.W. Jessen. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Julie Fontenot to pay request from D. W. Jessen. Mr. Jessen reported the N. Storer Drainage Project was ready to advertise to receive bids. It was **moved by** Julie Fontenot, **seconded by** Daniel Hennigan to advertise for bids of N Storer Drainage Project and authorize Mayor Hesse to execute associated documents. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jeff Kudla came forward to report on the RFQ's received for the repairs to the community center. He recommended the Council approve the submitted quote from PERC Development in the amount of \$197,550.00 for the said repairs. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Vernessa Guillory to approve the recommended quote from PERC Development. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Kudla gave an update on the plans for the baseball fields. Mr. Kudla said they met also and looked at the Water Department building and will give a report on this project soon.

Mr. Larry Toupes came forward to present the Council and Mayor with a preliminary plat to subdivide a parcel of property located at the end of Eli Street for the purpose of moving two mobile homes on the subdivided property. Mayor told him that a review of the plat will be done to make sure it meets all the criteria. After this, it will be brought back to the Council to approve.

Clayton Aymond, Street and Maintenance Department gave his monthly report of activity. Mr. Mark Talbot came forward to complain about the ditch in front of his house and drainage issues because of the trash in the ditches. He wanted to know what he needed to do to get on the schedule to correct these issues. Mr. Tommy Talbot came forward to complain about a water leak on Hwy. 90 and the company that dug the ditch in front of his house. He stated that it was not done right and it needs to be looked at. Mayor Hesse said they will be looking into it.

James Hardy, Water and Sewer Superintendent gave his monthly report of activity. Mayor Hesse asked Mr. Hardy to look into the water leak at Hwy 90 and correct it. Mr. Hardy agreed.

Chief of Police gave a report of activity for the month of February. There was a discussion on the presented condemnations of properties and the procedure to process the demolition. Mr. and Mrs. Macer came forward to offer a proposed solution to the speeding on 1<sup>st</sup> Street. They suggested four way stops at intersections on 1<sup>st</sup> street. It was requested that an ordinance be introduced to have the four way stops at these intersections at the next meeting.

Fire Chief Joseph Lewis gave his monthly report of activities. Mayor Hesse asked Chief Lewis if the district fire board considered requesting the town to apply for the S.A.F.E.R. Grant. Debbie Muir, District Fire Board Member, came forward and announced the fire board will be addressing this at the next scheduled meeting.

Mayor Hesse asked the person requesting the beer and liquor permit for LaRumba of Iowa, LLC at the location of 105 E. Miller Street, Iowa, LA to come forward. He came forward and requested the permit be approved. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Julie Fontenot to approve beer/liquor permit for LaRumba of Iowa, LLC. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor announced that he received an email stating that Fontenot Rentals will not be present at this meeting. Mayor asked Mr. Bouquet about taking legal action toward making this matter. Council Member Gerald Guidry asked that we address this at the next meeting. A letter will be sent to Fontenot Rentals to appear at next meeting.

Mayor Hesse read the next item on the agenda, to approve advertisement of Request For Proposals for collection and disposal of residential solid waste. Mayor Hesse explained that the contract with Waste Management will be coming up for renewal and the Town of Iowa should seek proposals to compare costs and services from other companies. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Julie Fontenot to approve advertisement of Request For Proposals for collection and disposal of residential solid waste. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Hesse announced the Calcasieu Parish District Attorney's Office requested an amendment to the cooperative endeavor agreement be approved by the Council for the S.A.N.E. program. He explained the Town of Iowa has been helping to fund this program for many years and this amendment is to extend the agreement. It was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Julie Fontenot to approve amendment to Cooperative Endeavor Agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Hesse read and proclaimed Fair Housing Month as April 2021.

Mayor Hesse read and proclaimed the week of April 5-9, 2021 as Community Development Week in the Town of Iowa.

Mayor Hesse gave the financial report for the month of February.

Mayor and Council Comments:

Mayor talked about businesses doing business in the park and asked Mr. Bouquet to speak on this issue. Mr. Bouquet advised the Council to not allow private persons and businesses to do business in the park because of any State and Federal funds received for the improvements to the park that there is a general provision that prohibits using the park for these activities.

Council Member Julie Fontenot reported comments made to her about activities of teenagers using foul language and not letting younger children on the playground equipment. Chief Vincent asked that the police be notified and it would be taken care of.

Mr. Landry came forward and asked about Centurylink poles that need to be replaced or repaired. He asked what could the town do to assist them. Mayor said that we would look into it and get Centurylink to make these repairs.

No further business to discuss it was **moved by** Daniel Hennigan, **seconded by** Julie Fontenot to adjourn meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Paul Hesse, Mayor

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Cynthia Mallett, MMC