

*Village of Folsom*  
*Mayor - Lance Willie*

*Aldерwoman - Paulette Lee*  
*Core - Municipal Clerk*

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*Aldерwoman - Jill Mathies*  
*Killingsworth - Chief of Police*

*Ronnie*

*Alderman - George Garrett*  
*Talley - Village Attorney*

*Delbert G.*

**Public Hearing**  
**December 11, 2017**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Mayor Lance Willie  
Aldерwoman Paulette Lee  
Alderman George Garrett  
Aldерwoman Jill Mathies  
Attorney Delbert Talley

Mayor Willie called the Public Hearing to order and the Municipal Clerk established a quorum. Jack Meinheim led the invocation and Mayor Willie led the pledge of allegiance.

**Item 1 – Ordinance: Salary Increase of Police Chief and Clerk.**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FOLSOM AMENDING CHAPTER 1**  
**OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR A SALARY INCREASE FOR THE CHIEF OF POLICE**  
**AND THE MUNICIPAL CLERK OF THE VILLAGE OF FOLSOM**

Mayor Willie presented the above ordinance. There was no discussion from board nor from the public.

**Item 2 - Ordinance: Authorize Issuance of Sewer Revenue Bonds & Bond Anticipation Notes.**

**ORDINANCE**

An ordinance authorizing the issuance of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Dollars (\$1,761,000) of Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2019, of the Village of Folsom, State of Louisiana, prescribing the form, fixing the details and providing for the payment thereof, confirming the sale thereof, and entering into certain other covenants and agreements in connection with the security and payment of said Bonds, including providing interim financing in connection with the construction of the project being funded with the proceeds of the Bonds through the issuance and sale of Bond Anticipation Notes of the Village.

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Alan Offner stated they received one bid back from Patterson State Bank at a 2.70 percent interest rate.

**Item 3 – Ordinance: Videotaping of Meeting.**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FOLSOM PROVIDING  
FOR VIDEO RECORDING OF PUBLIC MEETINGS**

Mayor Willie presented the above ordinance. There was no discussion from board nor from the public.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made from Alderwoman Mathies to adjourn the Public Hearing, seconded by Alderman Garrett, and the motion carried. *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*

**General Meeting  
December 11, 2017**

*(General Meeting Following Public Hearing)  
(The quorum was established in the preceding Public Hearing.)*

**Approval of Agenda.** Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to amend the agenda. She stated to add Greg Saurage with a Mardi Gras announcement before old business, and change item number 1 under new business to say Introduction of Ordinance for Quit Claim. It was seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*

**Approval of Financial Statements.** Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to table the November financial statements. It was seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. The November Financial statements were tabled. *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*

**Approval of Minutes.** Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to approve the November minutes. It was seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*

**Engineer Report.** The Village Engineer, Jay Pittman, stated that a pre-bidding meeting was held at the Folsom town hall on December 7<sup>th</sup> for the sewer project. He said now bidding will open up on Friday December 15<sup>th</sup>. Contract A will begin at 10:00am, Contract B at 10:30am, and Contract C at 11:00am. Jay said he is hoping the first part of February for work to be underway with this project. He also said that Mayor Willie would like to move forward with the relocating of the water lines.

Mayor Willie stated that he put in a call to DOTD and they informed him they had been waiting to hear from the village. Jay stated that they will advertise starting on January 3<sup>rd</sup> for 30 days. It will open on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and they will award the bids at the following Town Hall meeting. He said that he is expecting to get it all started by early March.

Jay also said he was recently contacted by AT&T regarding the relocation of their lines. He told them to prepare some plans of what they had in mind. He recommended to the board and mayor to look into having a permitting process for utilities that would like to enter into the village right away. Mayor Willie agreed and thanked him for informing us.

**Maintenance Report.** Mayor Willie announced the Village of Folsom is looking for a part-time maintenance worker.

**Announcement of Folsom Mardi Gras Parade Krewe – Greg Saurage.** Mr. Greg Saurage said he was excited to announce the upcoming 2018 Mardi Gras parade information for the Village of Folsom. He informed the theme this year would be Television Series. He was very happy to announce the 2018

Krewe this year and he gave a story of each person that was picked for this year. The 2018 Krewe of Folsom will be King - Jimmy Kohn, Queen - Bernadette Garrett, and Grand Marshall - Curtis Spencer. Mr. Saurage announced this year the dedication of parade is to Pam and George Michailakis. The parade will be on Mardi Gras day and will start at 1:30 pm. Mayor Willie thanked Mr. Saurage for all that he does every year for this event. He said we are all extremely excited for the parade and if we can do anything to help please let us know.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Item 1 – Ordinance: Salary Increase of Police Chief and Clerk.**

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Mayor Willie read the ordinance. Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to approve the salary increase ordinance. It was seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*

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Mayor Willie read the ordinance. Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to approve the ordinance. It was seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*

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Mayor Willie read the ordinance. Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to approve the ordinance. It was seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*

**Item 4 - Team Waste Contract for Recycling Program.** Mayor Willie gave an overview about the problems recycling is causing to the Village. He informed that with people leaving trash and the overflow that is left on the ground weekly at town hall it has become a problem. Alderwoman Mathies stated a survey was conducted about curbside recycling, and the majority of the citizens did not want to pay the extra \$3.00 fee for this service per month. The curb side program is also for all or none if approved than everyone would be mandated to pay monthly regardless of if they recycle or not. Alderwoman Lee said she hates to see it go, but it is causing problems for the employees as well. Mayor Willie agreed. He also said we will be checking into other sources of recycling in the future. Mayor Willie said we have addressed this for several months, it has been on the agenda, and unfortunately as of January 1<sup>st</sup> there will be no more recycling. We have met with Team Waste and tried to come up with a solution but for now a decision has to be made and we will no longer have recycling.

## **New Business:**

### **Item 1 – Introduction of Ordinance Quit Claim Regarding Revocation of Portion of Willow St.**

Mayor Willie asked Mr. Jack Mendheim to update us on the issue regarding this ordinance. Mr. Mendheim stated that he represents CJ Brown, Debra Rimmel, & Barney Core and his company which is STC, LLC. Mr. Mendheim stated how each of these people owned property south of Greenwood Road and in between was Willow Street. Mr. Mendheim informed that Mr. Barney Core bought the property on St. Claude and afterwards recognized that there was a dead space that is Willow Street between his land and Greenwood Road.

Mr. Core made a request for a revocation in 2013 and it was passed by the Board of Alderman. Mr. Mendheim then read the Revised Statue 48:701 which states, “Upon such revocation all of the soil covered by and embraced on road and embraced street and outlays up to center line shall convert to present owners.” However, recently Attorney Talley with his dealings with Ms. Rimmel, recognized that we have a potential Title issue. Mr. Mendheim explained that the land to centerline North would go to adjacent land owner that being the Village of Folsom which is Greenwood Road, but the intention was all of that would revert to property owners to the South. He stated that not long after the revocation a re-sub was done for Willow Street which was previously revoked. The re-sub was on Lot #10, to convert to Lot #10-A & Lot #10-B and Ms. Rimmel bought Lot #10-B. Mr. Barney Core still owns Lot #10-A. Mr. CJ Brown just gathered in on this because of his property South of Willow Street.

Mr. Mendheim concluded by saying we are trying to overcome this issue and the easiest way to do it is for the Village to agree to a QuitClaim deed and any interest that we have in Willow Street and any interest in Willow Street to the named parties, and that will eliminate a potential cloud on the Title created by this uncertainty.

Attorney Talley stated that he agrees with everything except that if the Village has an interest in this, they cannot donate that interest, so some value has to be put and there is little value in this. He has already recommended a price of \$250.00 to Mr. Core and he has agreed to this price. A discussion took place. Mayor Willie read the ordinance.

### **AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FOLSOM ALLOWING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A QUITCLAIM DEED REGARDING ANY INTEREST THE VILLAGE MAY HAVE IN THE PROPERTY WHICH THE VILLAGE REVOKED BETWEEN SABINE STREET AND ST. CLAUDE STREET IN CONSIDERATION FOR A PAYMENT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS**

Mayor Willie stated this is the introduction of the ordinance and a public hearing will be held next month.

**Item 2 – Approval of Beer & Liquor Licenses 2018.** Mayor Willie read a list of businesses, the amount paid, and the class type applying for approval of a 2018 Beer & Liquor license. The businesses stated were Jr. Food Mart, Folsom General Store, Main’s Market, Veer Off, Gus’s Restaurant, Wacky Daiquiri, Phillip Food Mart, and Giddy Up Folsom. Mayor Willie asked for a motion to approve all the businesses that have applied and paid by the deadline. Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to approve all the 2018 Beer & Liquor licenses, seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. (*3 yeas, 0 nays*)

**Item 3 – Approval of Transfer of Fund – Sewer Fund.** Mayor Willie stated that our sewer operating fund account has been operating in the red due to several items required by DHH & DEQ that needed to be fixed immediately. Mayor Willie explained that recently while meeting with our auditors regarding the funds it was brought to his attention that the village had been incorrectly entering customer deposits. It was a finding on the previous audit and asked for more information on this. It was discovered that when our customers deposits the deposit should be collected and reimbursed from a customer deposit

fund and not showing as an income. So he worked with the clerks and they were able to accurately show the surplus after all deposits accounted for could be moved to the operating fund instead of sitting in another fund. Mayor Willie also stated that the village has a new CPA since the last audit and they are all on the right track now.

Mayor Willie stated that he has asked the CPA what we can do and he would like to get approval tonight to move \$11,000.00 from the water deposit account and \$15,000.00 from the sewer deposit account and transfer these funds to the sewer operating account. The total amount being transferred is \$26,000.00. Mayor Willie asked for approval to transfer funds. Alderwoman Mathies made a motion approving the mayor to transfer funds to the sewer operating fund. It was seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. (3 yeas, 0 nays)

**Item 4 – Utility Adjustments.** There were no utility adjustments.

**Announcements/Adjournment:**

Mayor Willie asked if there were any announcements and there was no announcements. Mayor Willie mentioned that the Folsom Horse & Wagon Christmas Parade was cancelled this year due to the snowy weather. Alderwoman Mathies stated that if anyone has any pictures from the wonderful snow day and would like to share, to please share them with us on our Facebook page.

Mayor Willie asked Chief Killingsworth about the snow day. The Chief stated that we were very fortunate that there were no major problems or accidents. He said that we did experience some power outages which is expected however very thankful how hard WST worked during this time.

Ms. Debra Rimmel introduced herself and thanked everyone for helping with her.

Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Garrett and the motion carried. (3 yeas; 0 nays) The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Lance Willie, Mayor /s/*

*I attest that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes taken at the Public Hearing and General Meeting held at Town Hall on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017.*

*Attest: Andree Core, Municipal Clerk /s/*