

Town of Simmesport

Leslie Draper III, Mayor
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Board of Aldermen

Alderman At Large: Jacob Coco

District 1: Ted Turner
District 3: Myron K. Brown

District 2: Kenneth Marsh
District 4: Sherman Bell

January 30, 2018 Special Town Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Simmesport held at the Simmesport Town Hall on Tuesday, January 30, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

Presiding: Mayor Leslie Draper III

Members Present: Ted Turner, Myron Brown, Kenneth Marsh, Sherman Bell, Jacob Coco
Members Absent: none

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Draper and was opened with a prayer given by Alderman Myron Brown followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Bell that that the agenda be approved. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Alderman Bell	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Brown	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Coco	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Marsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Turner	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was carried

A motion was made by Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Marsh to pass a resolution to form a 5013c non-profit organization called R.I.S.E. (Reinvesting In Simmesport's Expansion). All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Alderman Bell	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Brown	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Coco	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Marsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Turner	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was carried



A resolution was made by Alderman Coco and seconded by Alderman Marsh that the Town establish a firm cutoff date for unpaid utilities. The following stipulations were made for the resolution:

1. anyone applying for Town water or gas connection must present a photo I.D.
2. anyone who wishes to reconnect and owes for a past-due bill, can be reconnected but will have 30 days to pay all of the past-due amount or services will be disconnected
3. your current bill, after you are reconnected, must be paid in full by the due date printed on the bill
4. in a rental situation, the renter, not the landlord, is responsible for the gas and water bill

All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Alderman Bell	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Brown	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Coco	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Marsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Turner	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was carried

A motion was made by Alderman Coco and seconded by Alderman Bell that a resolution be made to update the Town of Simmesport book of ordinances. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Alderman Bell	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Brown	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Coco	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Marsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Turner	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was carried

A motion was made by Alderman Coco and seconded by Alderman Marsh to move the Town Employee clock-in system to a biometric fingerprint scanner clock-in. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Alderman Bell	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Brown	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Coco	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Marsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Turner	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was carried

A motion was made by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Bell to go into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Alderman Bell	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Brown	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Coco	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Marsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Turner	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was carried



A motion was made by Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Brown to come out of executive session. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Alderman Bell	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Brown	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Coco	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Marsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Turner	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was carried

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Turner that the meeting be adjourned. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST
Alderman Bell	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Brown	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Coco	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Marsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Alderman Turner	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was carried

Leslie Draper III, Mayor

Dacia Adams, Town Clerk

