

TOWN OF SIMMESPORT

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April 11, 2019 Special Town Meeting Minutes

Minutes of a special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Simmesport held at the Simmesport Town Hall on Thursday April 11, 2019, at 12:00 PM.

Presiding: Mayor Leslie Draper

Members Present: Ted Turner, Myron Brown, Kenneth Marsh, Sherman Bell, Jacob Coco Members

Absent:

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 Coco and seconded by Alderman Marsh that the agenda accepted. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

The motion was carried.

Matthew Margaglio of Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co. presented the audit results for the FY 2016-2017 to the council and mayor. With the results came a list of problem areas and solutions to fix them. Discussions were had with the council on how to implement the needed changes. Mr. Margaglio also detailed the problem areas, going over each deficiency and how to resolve them. Matthew clearly stated to the council that there were several major problems with the audit and that the Town of Simmesport would likely be cited by the Louisiana Legislative Auditors Office for those problems. Mr. Margaglio and Mayor Draper also informed the council that many of the corrective actions suggested by the 2016-2017 audit have already been put into place and these changes will allow the 2017-2018 audit go much faster. The council was also informed that work on the 2017-2018 audit was underway. A motion was made by Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Coco that the findings of the 2016-2017 audit be accepted. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

The motion was carried.

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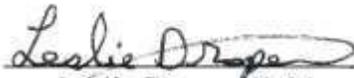
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Jacob Waguespack of Faulk & Winkler, LLC informed the council that the corrective actions recommended by the 2016-2017 audit were already well in place. He also told the council and the mayor that the budget for FY 2019-2020 was under development and should soon be finished and ready for adoption by the June 30, 2019 deadline. He also presented to the council a suggested set of internal controls and financial policies and procedures the Town should follow. Each board member was given a copy of these policy and procedures and Mr. Waguespack suggested the Town adopt them. A date for the public hearing for the adoption of the FY 2019-2020 budget was set for June 10, 2019 at 5:30 PM, in the Simmesport Town Hall council room.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Coco and seconded by Alderman Marsh to adjourn. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X	_____	_____
Alderman Brown	X	_____	_____
Alderman Coco	X	_____	_____
Alderman Marsh	X	_____	_____
Alderman Turner	X	_____	_____

The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned.


Leslie Draper III, Mayor


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