

TOWN OF ADDIS MINUTES
EMERGENCY SPECIAL MEETING – AUGUST 23, 2020

Mayor Toups called a Special Emergency Meeting at 5 p.m. on Sunday, August 23, 2020 to be held at the Addis Municipal Center. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Chief Anderson.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Toups; Councilors Cazes, Acosta, Parrish; Kelley; LeBlanc.

Absent: None

EMERGENCY MEETING CALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH:

Mayor Toups advised that this special emergency meeting was called in accordance with:

- a. LA-R.S. 33:405 - In cases of Extraordinary Emergencies
- b. LA-R.S. 42:17 - Exceptions to open meeting, Natural Disasters, Etc.
- c. LA-R.S.-42:19 - Notification of meeting...as practical.

DISCUSSION OF STORMS MARCO & LAURA AND STORM PLAN OF ACTION

Mayor Toups advised that this meeting was called and approved as a Special Emergency Meeting due to the impending Storms Marco & Laura in the Gulf that is heading towards the Louisiana coast. A State of Emergency has been declared by the State of Louisiana and West Baton Rouge Parish; the Town of Addis will declare a Local State of Emergency.

AUTHORIZE EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURES

A motion to expend extraordinary expenditures for any expenses that the **Town of Addis Police Department** may incur for storms Marco and Laura was made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor LeBlanc and adopted unanimously. A motion to expend extraordinary expenditures for any expenses that the **Town of Addis Maintenance Department** may incur for storms Marco and Laura was made by Councilor Cazes; seconded by Councilor LeBlanc and adopted unanimously. A motion to expend extraordinary expenditures for any expenses that the **Town of Addis Sewer Department** may incur for storms Marco and Laura was made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor Parrish and adopted unanimously. Chief Anderson advised that all officers are on stand-by if needed. Phil Smith stated that his crew has been working throughout the weekend to get all equipment ready for the storms. Mayor Toups advised that sandbags are available at locations throughout the Parish including: Myhand Park, Sunset Place Subdivision and Sugar Hollow Subdivision. He also advised that Steve Armstrong and his church members are ready to assist anyone with filling sandbags.

SUGAR MILL 16TH FILING PHASE II – FINAL PLAT

A discussion was held on the Final Plat for the 16th Filing Phase II of Sugar Mill. It was noted that the Final Plat Check-List has been completed. Councilman Acosta advised that he feels the contractor has done a phenomenal job on completing the 16th Filing and adhering to the updated subdivision codes. Phil Smith advised that everything is in place and is done to the Town's specifications; the fence has been completed and streets and drainage look good. A motion was made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor LeBlanc to accept the Sugar Mill 16th Filing Phase II Final Plat, as presented. The motion was adopted with Councilor Kelley opposing.

MORATORIUM ON ANY NEW PROPOSED SUBDIVISIONS & NEW MASTER PLAN

Councilor Kelley made a recommendation to issue a moratorium on any new proposed subdivisions until a new master plan can be implemented. Councilor Acosta provided many reasons as to why he is against a moratorium stating that it is not a decision that should be taken lightly. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that this matter would be researched and discussed further before any decisions are made.

OTHER ISSUES IF PROPERLY ADDED

Councilor Kelley asked that the letter received from Tipton Associates regarding the drainage in the town hall parking lot be added to the September meeting agenda.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. on a motion by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor Cazes and adopted unanimously.

Jade V. Simpson , Town Clerk

David H. Toups, Mayor