**July 18th, 2016**

**Regular Meeting**

The Mayor of the Board of Alderman of the Village of Palmetto met on Monday, July 18th, 2016, in a special meeting at 6:00 pm at the Palmetto Town Hall at 224 East Railroad Avenue, Palmetto, Louisiana, with the following persons present.

Mayor: Marx Budden

Mayor Pro Tem: Joseph Irving Jr

Alderman: Guyton Budden

Alderman: Judy Dupre

Town Clerk: Krista Mouille

A quorum being present, Mayor Marx Budden called the meeting to order and read the agenda.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

On a motion by Judy Dupre and seconded by Joseph Irving Jr. and a unanimous voice in the affirmative, the board voted to approve the agenda.

On a motion by Guyton Budden and seconded by Joseph Irving Jr. and a unanimous voice vote in the affirmative, the board voted to approve the minutes of June 2016.

On a motion by Judy Dupre and seconded by Joseph Irving Jr, and a unanimous voice vote in the affirmative, the board voted to approve the bills for the month July 2016.

Items brought before the board: (6)

* **Open any bids for the trailer and 2000 F-150**

There were no current bids submitted. On a motion by Joseph Irving Jr. and seconded by Guyton Budden, and a unanimous voice in the affirmative the board voted to advertise the bids for one more month.

* **Allow Fayetta Dupre to talk to the council about the new year’s budget**

Fayetta advised the board that our biggest area of trouble is within the gas system. She requested that the board find a solution and act on it as soon as possible.

* **Amend the 2015-2016 Budget**

On a motion By Joseph Irving Jr. and seconded by Guyton Budden, and a unanimous voice in the affirmative, the board voted to amend the 2015-2016 budget.

* **Adopt the 2016-2017 Budget**

On a motion By Judy Dupre and seconded by Joseph Irving Jr., and a unanimous voice in the affirmative, the board voted to amend the 2015-2016 budget.

* **Present the Board with the option of using LaMats Municipal Debt Recovery Services.**

On a motion By Joseph Irving Jr. and seconded by Guyton Budden, and a unanimous voice in the affirmative, the board voted to use LaMats as a Debt Recovery Service.

On a motion by Guyton Budden and seconded by Judy Dupre and a unanimous voice in the affirmative, the meeting was called to adjourn.

Concerned Citizens:

Tonya Pitcher

Fayetta Dupre

Vernita Budden

LJ Mouille

Ethel Rideau