**November 14th 2016**

**Regular Meeting**

The Mayor of the Board of Alderman of the Village of Palmetto met on Monday November 14th, 2016, in a regular 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 Guyton Budden and seconded by Joseph Irving Jr and a unanimous voice in the affirmative, the board voted to approve the agenda.

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 minutes of August 2016.

On a motion by Guyton Budden and seconded by Judy Dupre and a unanimous voice vote in the affirmative, the board voted to approve the bills for the month September 2016.

Items brought before the board: (5)

* **Vote on Proclamation 3-2016---Church of God Centennial**

On a motion by Guyton Budden and seconded by Judy Dupre and a unanimous voice in the affirmative, the board voted to approve the Proclamation of 3-2016

* **Hiring of a person who can operate machines**

No one specific in mind to hire. Just advising the board that we are in need of a machine operator. When someone becomes available, we will bring them to the board to discuss hiring and pay.

* **Update on gas meters, water leaks, chlorine, odorant, and gas line on Roy Baker Road.**

15 out of the 19 gas meters tested badly. (Not good). The board suggested an appraisal on rerouting the gas line on Self Help Road. Mr. Bernard advised the board that brown water is not a violation of DHH. The board voted to replace the gas meters that need it the most.

* **Present quote to board to fix the office computer (update)**
* **Make a decision on the Gym—membership is low, enrollment is down due to broke equipment.**

On a motion by Judy Dupre and seconded by Joseph Irving Jr. and a unanimous voice vote in the affirmative, the board voted to keep the gym open until after the 1st of the new year (2017).

* **Allow public comments**

Ms. Laura Jones asked to speak. She was concerned about her water line to her new residence. She asked that the town install her meter on her property. Mr. Nevelle’s preferred to put the meter at the road (Snows Road). He stated that he would not install it on her property and exited the building. The board approved for Reginald Pitcher to install Ms. Jones meter on her property.

On a motion by Joseph Irving Jr. and seconded by Guyton Budden and a unanimous voice in the affirmative, the board voted to adjourn the meeting.

Concerned Citizens:

Tonya Pitcher Vernita Budden Ethel Rideau Laura Jones Reginald Pitcher Bernard Nevills