

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BLANCHARD MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
Thursday, May 26, 2022 – 10:00 A.M.**

Present: Mayor Galambos, Alderpersons Lee, Fuller, Presley, Candy Foshee, Town Clerk

Absent: Guin, Whittington

Mayor Galambos called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Motion made by Fuller, seconded by Lee to dispense with formalities. All voted yea.

Questions and Statements of Citizens – None

Resolution 8 of 2022 - A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Complete And Submit An Application For A Grant For Funds From The Louisiana Governmental Assistance Program (LGAP)

RESOLUTION 8 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FOR FUNDS FROM THE LOUISIANA GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LGAP).

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Blanchard, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, wish to apply for a grant of funds from the Louisiana Governmental Assistance Program (LGAP) for the purchase and installation of in-car video camera systems for six (6) police department vehicles;

WHEREAS, the Town of Blanchard maintains a municipal Police Department that provides law enforcement functions for the Town's 3,200 residents;

WHEREAS, the existing in-car video camera systems in the Town's six (6) police vehicles are over 10 years old and are functionally obsolete;

WHEREAS, the Town's Police Department understands that there are elevated community expectations associated with documenting interactions between law enforcement officers and the public;

WHEREAS, the Town's Police Department is committed to maintaining public safety built on a foundation of justice and through stronger alliances with the communities it serves;

WHEREAS, in-car video camera systems will greatly benefit the Town's Police Department in meeting these stated goals and help improve public trust;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Aldermen, in a special session convened, this 26th day of May 2022 that they do hereby authorize and fully support the application for LGAP funds in the amount of \$35,000, and do authorize the Mayor of the Town of Blanchard to execute the application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed.

Motion made by Lee, seconded by Fuller, to adopt Resolution 8 of 2022 this 26th day of May, 2022.

All voted yea.

Resolution 9 Of 2022 - Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Complete And Submit An Application For A Grant For Funds From The Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF)

RESOLUTION 9 OF 2022

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO COMPLETE AND
SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FOR FUNDS FROM THE COMMUNITY WATER
ENRICHMENT FUND (CWEF)**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Blanchard, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, wish to apply for a grant of funds from the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) for improvements and upgrades at the elevated water tank at the old water treatment plant site on La. Hwy. 169;

WHEREAS, the Town of Blanchard owns, operates, and maintains a large public water system serving approximately 22,000 people in north-central Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Town's water distribution system includes four (4) elevated water tanks situated at various locations in the water system service area including a 100,000 gallon tank at the old water treatment plant site on La. Hwy. 169;

WHEREAS, the La. Hwy. 169 elevated tank has inherent circulation problems that occasionally impact water quality including disinfection levels;

WHEREAS, the proposed CWEF funding will be used to purchase and install a tank mixing system that will greatly improve water circulation inside of the elevated water tank;

WHEREAS, these improvements will directly and beneficially impact all residents of the Town by preserving treated water quality and addressing direct threats to public health, safety, and welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen in a special session convened this _____ day of May 2022 ,that they do hereby authorize and fully support the application for CWEF funds in the amount of \$35,000, and do authorize the Mayor of the Town of Blanchard to execute the application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed.

Motion made by Lee, seconded by Fuller, to adopt Resolution 9 of 2022 of 2022 this 26th day of May 2022. All voted yea.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m. on motion of Fuller, second by Lee. All voted yea.

Jim Galambos, Mayor

Candy Foshee, Town Clerk