

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES – SUPERVISOR’S MEETING – August 30, 2021
9:00 am Constantia Town Hall

Present: Kenneth Mosley - Supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Frank Tomaino – Council Members
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk
Warren Bader – Town Attorney
Wayne Woolridge – Highway Superintendent
Alice Kim – Charter Communications
Patrick Dolan – West Monroe Code Enforcement Officer

Absent: Thomas Moran – Council Member

CALL TO ORDER:

At 9:00 am Mr. Mosley called the town board meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS:

Mrs. Alice Kim – Charter Communications, Director – Government Affairs/CNY came to speak to the board members at the Towns request to discuss areas in Constantia that do not have internet service. Ms. Kim brought with her a map of areas in the Town that are not currently serviced by Charter Communications (Spectrum), these maps are for review only, Ms. Kim will need to take them with her as they are the property of Charter Communications. Ms. Kim was contacted for this meeting, in response to a request from residents of County Route 17. Ms. Kim had her crew work up the price to bring access up 1.5 miles of Co Rt 17 which will service 8 homes, 2 of which are on Cook Rd. The total cost of the project is \$106,105. Ms. Kim indicated that there are Towns using their American Recovery Act to advance service within their towns. The State also received monies for internet use, but it is unsure how that will be used. Board members also had areas where residents have reached out to them with internet concerns, 41 Tynan and the other end of Cook Rd. Ms. Kim will review these areas and get back to Mrs. Haynes with the cost to provide service to these areas. Unfortunately, at the present time there is no clear information on how the monies from the American Recovery Act can be used, until that time the Town cannot move forward. There board members present thanked Ms. Kim for her time and will be interested in the information requested.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Mr. Dolan is the Code Enforcement Officer for West Monroe, Mr. Dolan has been helping out the Town part time while Mr. Haynes is recovering from surgery. Mr. Dolan explained that he is currently full time in West Monroe and part time here in Constantia, West Monroe has 102 open permits and Constantia has 94. As you can imagine between both Towns he is busy with inspections he is doing the best he can. As it comes to violations, he is not a big fan of bring violators to court, he usually just tries to keep at them until they comply.

DORIS PARK CELEBRATION:

Ms. Karen Dudden-Blake was in to discuss details of the Doris Park 100 Year Celebration set for September 11th. They currently have about 100 residents coming with 9 sponsors. The major activity is at 158-160 Ms. Dudden-Blake’s residence. With the celebration happening in the area of 158-160 Doris Park Drive Ms. Dudden-Blake is requesting Doris Park Drive be closed during the celebration, the way around will be to take 1st Ave and 26th St so residents that live past 158-160 will not be blocked in. After discussion, the board members present had no objection.

HIGHWAY:

Mr. Woolridge has been trying to get the Town road inventory corrected at the State level. There are three roads down in Doris Park that are not on the State inventory, to correct this the Town needs to pass a resolution accepting the roads. After discussion the following resolution was offered:

COUNCILMAN: **Metzger**

Introduced the following and moved its adoption:

The Town of Constantia Highway Department has historically maintained and accepts the following roads as part of the inventory for the Town:

34th Street from Doris Park Drive to the dead end (.10 mile)

1st Avenue from Doris Park Drive to 26th Street (.10 mile)

26th Street from Doris Park Drive to 1st Avenue (.10 mile)

Seconded by Councilman: **Tomaino**

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Kenneth Mosley	Voted	Yes
Richard Colesante	Voted	Yes
John Metzger	Voted	Yes
Tom Moran	Absent	
Frank Tomaino	Voted	Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mr. Woolridge told the board he will be paving the back road at the Constantia Volunteer Fire Department, the fire district will be paying for the asphalt.

BOARD COMMENT:

Next supervisor meeting and budget workshop will be October 5th at 9am. The following budget workshops were also scheduled for October 7th at 5pm, October 12th at 9am and October 14 at 5pm.

There is a virtual Harassment and Discrimination Annual Training webinar September 16th at 9am. All who are available should attend as this is a State mandate.

Mr. Metzger would like the following topics to be on the agenda for future supervisor meetings.

- Storage Container Law
- Short term rentals
- Employee handbook items

These are all important topics that Mr. Metzger does not want the board to lose sight of.

ADJOURN:

At 11:20am the meeting adjourned.