

**TOWN OF BALL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 9, 2012**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

- **Meeting Notice Posted on Doors of Town Hall: October 4, 2012 2:21 PM**
(Date) (Time)

A Public Meeting will be held as follows:

DATE: October 9, 2012

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE OF MEETING: 100 Municipal Lane, Ball, Louisiana 71405
Town Hall Council Room

THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN MET TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2012
COUNCIL MEETING, 7:00 P.M., BALL MUNICIPAL BUILDING, BALL, LA.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor	Jonathan Dean
Alderwoman	Chris Covington
Alderman	Curtis Robertson
Alderwoman	Willie Bishop
Alderwoman	Genny Poteet
Alderman	Jerry Giddings
Police Chief	Daniel Caldwell
Attorney	Brian Cespiva
Town Clerk	Madeleine Westberry

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ITEM #1 Mayor Jonathan Dean called the meeting to order.

ITEM #2 The invocation was given by Rev. Bennie Hollingsworth.

ITEM #3 The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

ITEM #4 Mayor Jonathan Dean welcomed everyone to the meeting.

- Jay Lynch of Barron Heinberg & Brocato gave a presentation and asked voters to vote on a bond issue and maintenance millage for renovations and additions to the Rapides Parish Coliseum.

ITEM #5 Awards for participating in the 2012 911 Ceremony were given to Rev. Hollingsworth, Rev. Lonnie Weiner, Jared Humphers and Dale McGuffee.

ITEM #6 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Alderman Giddings, seconded by Alderwoman Bishop to accept September 11, 2012 Regular Council minutes as published. The floor was open for public comment. On vote motion carried.

AYES: Alderpersons Covington; Poteet; Bishop; Giddings.

NAYS: Alderman Robertson

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

ITEM #7

The council received and reviewed the financial statements. Motion by Alderwoman Poteet, seconded by Alderwoman Covington to accept the financial statements and to pay September 2012 expenditures for all departments. The floor was open for public comment. On vote motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Robertson, seconded by Alderwoman Bishop to accept the 2011 Annual Financial report. The floor was open for public comment. On vote motion carried.

ITEM #8 NEW BUSINESS
MOTION FOR APPROVAL

1. Motion by Alderman Robertson, seconded by Alderwoman Poteet to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to open a bank account on behalf of Mayor's Court. The floor was open for public comment. On vote motion carried.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of Ball, Louisiana, that Jonathan Dean, Mayor, Town of Ball, shall be authorized, for all financial purposes, to open a bank account on behalf of Mayor's Court, which shall include Jonathan Dean and Madeleine Westberry being added to the authorized signature cards regarding said bank account for the Town of Ball, Louisiana, effective at the open of business.

ITEM #9 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION

1. A public hearing was held before the final adoption of **Ordinance #280-2012**. Motion by Alderwoman Covington, seconded by Alderwoman Poteet to adopt Ordinance amending the Town of Ball Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10, Animals, Article III, Impounding. The floor was open for public comment. On vote motion carried. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Alderpersons Covington; Robertson; Poteet; Bishop; Giddings.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. A public hearing was held before the final adoption of **Ordinance #281-2012**. Motion by Alderman Robertson, seconded by Alderman Giddings to adopt Ordinance regulating tattoo businesses and body piercing businesses within the Town limits of Ball. The floor was open for public comment. On vote motion carried. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Alderpersons Covington; Robertson; Poteet; Giddings.

NAYS: Alderwoman Bishop

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

- Motion by Alderwoman Poteet, seconded by Alderman Robertson to add an item to the agenda. The floor was open for public comment. On vote motion carried.
- Motion by Alderwoman Poteet, seconded by Alderman Robertson to add tattoo and body piercing as a Special Exception (SE) in B-1 (General business districts) and I-1 (Industrial districts) to the table of Permitted Uses of the Code of Zoning Ordinances. The floor was open for public comment. On vote motion carried

ITEM #10

Chief Caldwell reported 212 calls for September.

ITEM #11

The floor was open for public comment on agenda items and comments were heard.

ITEM #12

The floor was open for comments from the alderpersons. Alderwoman Poteet spoke about the upcoming 40th Anniversary Celebration to be held on Saturday, October 20th, 10AM-2PM and encouraged everyone to come out.

ITEM #13

Mayor Dean thanked the Police Chief and Officers for a job well done. He also thanked the Council for their leadership in hiring additional Police Officers.

ITEM #14

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Board of Alderman, motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Robertson and seconded by Alderman Giddings. On vote motion carried.

Jonathan B. Dean, Mayor

Madeleine Westberry, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, Madeleine Westberry, Town Clerk of the Town of Ball, do hereby certify that the attached above and foregoing is a true and correct record of the official action taken at the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Ball, Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, in legal session convened on the 9th day of October, 2012.

Madeleine Westberry, Town Clerk