



## Town of Berwick

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**DATE OF NOTICE:** January 3, 2006

A public hearing will be held as follows:

**DATE:** January 10, 2006

**TIME:** 7:15 P.M.

**PLACE OF MEETING:** Town Hall Council Room  
3225 Third St.  
Berwick, LA 70342

**AGENDA:**

Call to Order: 7:00 P.M.

Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Edgar Thomas, Elaine Cantrell, Louis Ratcliff, Bill Johnson, Ray Rasberry

Minutes from last meeting: December 13, 2005

Treasurer's Report

Police Report

Fire Report

Public Works Report

Committee Reports

Consulting Engineers Report

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. 7:15 - Public Hearing - Ordinance #553 – Renwick Boulevard Extension Financing
2. Adopt Ordinance # 553
3. Introduce Ordinance #552 – Provide for billings and non payment of water, gas and sewer services
4. Resolution – nominations to Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District Board

**Adjournment**

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
OF THE TOWN OF BERWICK, STATE OF LOUISIANA  
TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY**

**January 10, 2006**

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Berwick, State of Louisiana, met in regular session at their regular meeting place, the Town Hall, Berwick, Louisiana, Tuesday, January 10, 2006 at seven (7:00) o'clock p.m.

There were present: Mayor Emmett Hardaway, and Council members, Edgar Thomas, Louis Ratcliff, Bill Johnson, and Ray Rasberry.

Absent: Elaine Cantrell

Also present were representatives of the Daily Review, KQKI and Channel 39.

Mayor Hardaway led the prayer.

Edgar Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Berwick, State of Louisiana were duly convened as the governing authority of said Town, by Honorable Emmett Hardaway, Mayor, who then stated that, the Mayor and Council were ready for the transaction of business.

The minutes of the previous meeting, having been reviewed, was approved without reading upon motion by Ray Rasberry and seconded by Bill Johnson.

The Treasurer's report, having been reviewed, was approved without reading upon motion by Louis Ratcliff and seconded by Bill Johnson.

Chief James Richard presented the police report, a copy of which was included in each of the Councilmen's packets, for the month of December 2005. Chief Richard noted that there had been a decrease in arrests and citations for the same period in 2004, but an increase in fines.

Chief Ray Rasberry presented the fire report for the month of December 2005. There were four fire calls for the month.

The Public Works report was the next item on the agenda. A copy of this report was included in the packet each Councilman received prior to the meeting. After no comments were made from the council or audience, the mayor moved on to the next item on the agenda.

Clay Braud presented the consulting engineers report. Mr. Braud stated that the town is awaiting a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement that will need to be processed by the State prior to moving forward on the 12" water line project on Fairview Drive. Funds for the project have been allocated by the state. Application for Front Street improvements, Pattie Drive ditch enclosure, and Renwick Boulevard improvements have been submitted to the State. He has submitted the enhancement projects, lights on the pathway and the downtown development plan, to the state for funding. Renwick Boulevard extension contract has been conditionally awarded to Gray Construction pending financing approval by the State Bond Commission. An application for funding was made to the Atchafalaya Basin Program for the Riverfront area.

Mayor then moved to Item # 1 on the agenda – Public hearing on proposed ordinance #553. After a presentation by bonding attorney Jerry Osborne, and no comments from the audience the public hearing was closed.

Item # 2 on the agenda – adopt Ordinance #553 – Upon motion by Louis Ratcliff and seconded by Ray Rasberry, the ordinance was approved unanimously.

Item # 3 on the agenda – adopt Ordinance #552. Upon motion by Bill Johnson and seconded by Edgar Thomas, the ordinance was approved unanimously.

Item # 4 on the agenda – Resolution for nominations to the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District Board. Upon motion by Bill Johnson and seconded by Louis Ratcliff, the resolution was approved unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion by Ray Rasberry and seconded by Louis Ratcliff, the meeting adjourned.

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Emmett Hardaway - Mayor

ATTEST:

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Newell W. Slaughter - CAO/Town Clerk