

Village of Elizabeth

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PUBLIC MEETING

Public Council meeting was held 1/12/26 at 6:30pm at the Elizabeth Village Hall, 230 Poplar Street, Elizabeth, LA. The notice of Meeting having been duly posted in accordance with requirements, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Mandy Green at 6:30pm. Opening prayer led by Ken Kelly, then Pledge of Allegiance and roll call by Mayor Green.

Mayor, Council and Staff Present

Mandy Green, Mayor
Ken Kelly, Council
Mea Dillehay, Council
Denise Lee, Clerk
Heather Sutton, Attorney

Council and Staff Absent

Shane Ware, Police Chief
Jeb Moore, Fire Dept Asst Chief
Brandon Sweat, Fire Chief
Stacy Weldon, Council

1. No comments from the public on any agenda items.
2. Ken Kelly made a motion to approve minutes for the regular council meeting of 1/12/26. Mea Dillehay seconded. All in favor.
3. Ken Kelly made motion to approve the agenda. Mea Dillehay seconded. All in favor.
4. **CODE COMPLIANCE**
 - A. Mayor Green reported that several mowing and maintenance liens have been paid.
5. **POLICE CHIEF**
 - A. No monthly report given. Police Chief not present.
6. **FIRE CHIEF**
 - A. Monthly report given by Lorrie Odom. There were 2 calls for January 2026. She said there were 45 calls total for the past year. They are working on getting updated signed Sexual Abuse and Misconduct Forms. She also stated that the department was discussing doing a fundraiser to help with the purchase of an AED.
7. **ENGINEER'S REPORT**
 - A. Tucker Drouin gave update on CWSRF-DEQ Sewer Improvement Grant. He said that there is a tentative startup date of the lift station in Eastern Heights- Wednesday, February 11, 2026. Mayor Green stated that she and Brad Rachel- engineer had been discussing relining the manholes with the remaining contingency funds. Mayor Green has requested to use some of the funds from the manholes that don't need to be relined to replace frames and covers on the broken ones.
 - B. Mayor Green said the plug on the wet well at the sewer plant had been pulled prior to the last heavy rain and there is still a lot of infiltration. There has only been about a 30,000-gallon difference. She said she hopes when the manholes are lined, this will help with the infiltration. Ken Kelly stated that one of the pumps at the Sewer Plant had a seal failure this past week. There is no silt in there causing this, but there is condensation somehow in the pump causing the error. She stated that Tyler LaFauci-water/sewer operator has contacted Gulf State to repair it.
 - C. Tucker stated that they were still waiting on the Environmental Review in order to proceed forth with plans of the gas line replacement by the PHMSA Gas Grant.

8. MAYOR'S REPORT

***Old Business**

- A. Mayor Green stated that the Information Security Policy for Handbook is still under review due to waiting on completion of installation of a new utility billing system.

***New Business**

- B. Ken Kelly made a motion to adopt **Resolution 146-2026** Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State for \$20,000 from Act 261 for upgrades to Piney Park bathrooms and fencing. Mea Dillehay seconded. All in favor. Mayor Green stated they plan to repair fencing, replace trash containers, put new shower heads, upgrade the doors on the stalls, shower benches, update the counters, put in Mini splits and possibly upgrade the internet service.

11. VILLAGE ATTORNEY

- A. Discussed 517 Pine Street, Parcel No. 0550006540 -Adjudicated to Allen Parish. The owner had previously reached out and stated they wanted nothing to do with the property, but it adjudicated to the parish in the process. Mayor Green has reached out to the property owner to discuss the village doing a cash sale on the property as soon as owner redeems the property at the parish. The owner has not responded to calls or returned calls. Mayor Green will continue to reach out.
- B. Ken Kelly introduced **Ordinance 53-2026** which regulates the sale of alcoholic beverages by any business lawfully authorized to sell beverages as a result of annexation into the Village. Public hearing to be held prior to adoption at council meeting on March 9, 2026 at 6:30pm.

12. COUNCIL

- A. Ken Kelly made a motion to approve expenses for January 2026 and comparison of actual expenses to budget. Mea Dillehay seconded. All in favor.
- B. Mea Dillehay made a motion to adjourn. Ken Kelly seconded. All in favor.

Approved by:/S/Mandy L Green, Mayor 2.10.26

Attest by:/S/ Denise Lee, LCMClerk 2.10.26

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