



These are the minutes of a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Kaplan held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at SSG Ulysse Trahan Council Chamber located at 701 N. Cushing Avenue.

Present: Mayor: Mike Kloesel

Board of Alderman: Dirk Gary
Eva Dell Morrison
Mike Renfrow
Justin Johnson
Melissa Guidry

Also Present: Calvin Woodruff, Jr., City Attorney
Todd Vincent, City Engineer
Heather S. Guidry, City Clerk

Mayor Kloesel called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

An opening prayer was offered by Pastor Farley Painter and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Mike Kloesel.

Councilwoman Eva Dell Morrison and Councilwoman Melissa Guidry were recognized as Citizens of the Month.

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second Councilman Johnson
Unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2022 Regular City Council meeting.

Item #1

The treasurer's report for April 2022 was presented on the council's iPads for their review of the budget to actual comparison.

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison Second: Councilman Renfrow
Unanimously carried to approve the April 2022 financials as presented.

Item #2

City Engineer Todd Vincent updated the council on current projects.

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilwoman Guidry
Unanimously carried to approve Contract Change Order No. 4 for the LCDBG project with E.B. Feuchet & Sons, LLC, increasing the contract price by \$5,753.23, subject to the concurrence of LCDBG.

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilman Gary
Unanimously carried to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement with Sellers & Associates to include modifications required by FEMA.

Item #3

Police Chief Josh Hardy updated the council on his department.

Item #4

The council reviewed the COVID use from April 19, 2022 through current and decided to review it again next month.

Item #5

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second Councilwoman Morrison
Unanimously carried to introduce Ordinance 06-22-A – Amendment of Ordinance 06-21-A – 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget. This Ordinance is set for public hearing on June 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Item #6

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilman Johnson
Unanimously carried to introduce Ordinance 06-22-B – 2022 -2023 Fiscal Year Budget. This Ordinance is set for public hearing on June 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Item #7

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilman Gary

Unanimously carried introduce Ordinance 06-22-C – Reapportionment of city election districts. This Ordinance is set for public hearing on June 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Item #8

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second Councilman Johnson

Unanimously carried to adopt a resolution establishing the millage rates for the tax year 2022.

Item #9

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilman Gary

Unanimously carried to adopt a resolution granting the authority to the Mayor to sign and submit all necessary documents along with adopting certain policies, plans and procedures in connection with the Water Sector program.

Item #10

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilwoman Guidry

Unanimously carried to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Michael Couvillon, Sheriff of Vermilion Parish and the City of Kaplan for the donation of surplus personnel vest.

Item #11

Motion: Councilman Gary, Second: Councilman Johnson

Unanimously carried to approve the new committee responsibilities for the term beginning July 1, 2022.

Item #12

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilman Gary

Unanimously carried to ratify the appointment of Linda Vincent to the Vermilion Economic Development Alliance Board for a term beginning June 4, 2022 through June 4, 2026.

Item #13:

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilman Gary

Unanimously carried to ratify the termination of Corey Picard with the Kaplan Police Department, effective April 14, 2022.

Item #14:

Motion: Councilman Gary, Second: Councilman Renfrow

Unanimously carried to ratify the promotion of Blake J. Cashat to Lineman II with the Electrical Department, step 1, effective April 29, 2022.

Item #15:

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilman Gary

Unanimously carried to ratify the hiring of Benjamin Heath as Lineman I with the Electrical Department, step 4, effective April 29, 2022.

Item #16:

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second: Councilman Renfrow

Unanimously carried to ratify the 5% increase for Blake Lee-Bessard for the certification of Advanced Line worker Training Phase 2, retroactive to August 6, 2021.

Item #17:

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second: Councilman Renfrow

Unanimously carried to ratify the promotion of Gary Sellers Sr. to Equipment Operator, Step 5, with Streets and Bridges, effective April 29, 2022.

Mayor Kloesel and council gave announcements.

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second Councilman Johnson

Unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

/s/ Heather S. Guidry
HEATHER S. GUIDRY, CITY CLERK

/s/ Mike Kloesel
MIKE KLOESEL, MAYOR