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March 15, 2021

AGENDA:

SINCE THERE IS CURRENTLY A STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO COVID-19, THIS MEETING IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC, BUT PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY BY EMAIL TO CLERK@CITYOFKAPLAN.COM, PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE MEETING AND THEY WILL BE READ ALOUD WHEN THAT AGENDA ITEM IS CALLED ON. LIKE OTHER REGULAR MEETINGS, THIS ONE WILL BE BROADCAST VIA FACEBOOK LIVE ON MAYOR OF KAPLAN, LOUISIANA. A NOTICE HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE DOOR OF CITY HALL.

Call meeting to order.

Mayor's Welcome.

Opening Prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call.

Recognize Dillion Turner for 5 years of service to the City of Kaplan.

Recognize Robert Eleazar for 10 years of service to the City of Kaplan.

Approve the minutes from the February 17, 2021 Regular City Council meeting.

1. Treasurer's Report – Approve Financials for February 2021
2. City Engineer: Status of Current Projects
3. Police Chief: Update on the Police Department. The update will be read aloud by Mayor Kloesel.
4. Ratify the hiring of Blake Stevens with the Electrical Department as Lineman II Step 7, effective February 25, 2021.
5. Approve 120 hours of vacation, 24 hours of personal time, and 230.50 hours of sick leave towards retirement for Robert Eleazar, to be paid weekly commencing March 3, 2021 and ending May 5, 2021 with a retirement date expected on May 6, 2021.
6. Ratify the resignation of Kurtis Boeve with the Kaplan Police Department, effective February 19, 2021.
7. Ratify the hiring of Devin J. Richard as Operator I, Step 3, with Streets & Bridges, effective February 11, 2021.
8. Ratify the hiring of Darien P. Glaze as Laborer, Step 7, with the Streets & Bridges, effective February 11, 2021.
9. Ratify the 5% pay increase for Blake Stevens for lineman certification, effective March 5, 2021.
10. Adopt a resolution to levelize a customer utility bill over a three to four month period due to the surge in energy cost from the February ice storm.
11. Conduct a Public Hearing to amend Ordinance 09-20-A – Restricting the Use of City Vehicles to include the following sentence: This Ordinance shall not apply to elected officials/employees.
12. Adopt an amendment to Ordinance 09-20-A – Restricting the Use of City Vehicles to include the following sentence: The ordinance should not apply to elected officials/employees.
13. Allow Chic-A-La Pie to solicit donations at the red lights to benefit Heather Theall, who is battling cancer.
14. Ratify the Declaration of State of Emergency/State at Home Order due to the ice storm, signed February 15, 2021.
15. Adopt a resolution proclaiming April 5-9, 2021 as National Community Development Week.

16. Discussion regarding recommendation by Board of Adjustment Board Member James Hargrave to establish a penalty fee for a permit that has not been applied for in advance.
17. Discussion regarding rental properties within the city that are deemed as blighted property. Consider refusal of utility connection until property is brought up to code. Also consider refusal of utility connection until exterior of property has been cleaned and all trash and debris from prior rental has been removed by the owner/landlord
18. Condemnation Hearing: 10th Street facing north between Lejeune & Church Street
19. Condemnation Hearing: 601 W 8th Street, Kaplan, Louisiana 70548.
20. Condemnation Hearing: 1009 N Wilson, Kaplan, Louisiana 70548.
21. Approve the issuing of the following Alcohol License renewals:

#	Business Name:	Address:
1	HOME ASSOCIATION	1007 N. LEJEUNE
2	SUE'S SADDLE UP, LLC	916 W. VETERANS MEMORIAL
3	LARRY'S SUPERFOODS	1313 W. VETERANS MEMORIAL
4	DAIQUIRI DIVA'S KAPLAN, LLC	205 W. VETERANS MEMORIAL
5	DG LOUISIANA, LLC	1403 W. VETERANS MEMORIAL
6	SILVERSTOP, LLC dba NICK'S FOOD MART	1301 W. VETERANS MEMORIAL
7	SILVREMART, LLC dba KAPLAN EXPRESS	507 W. VETERANS MEMORIAL
8	SILVERSTORES, LLC dba KAPLAN QUICK STOP	501 E. VETERANS MEMORIAL

Mayor Announcements

Council Announcements/Request/Comments

Adjourn.