

## MINUTES

### CITY OF NEW ROADS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

April 17, 2018

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Anthony Daisy called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:

**PRESENT:** Vernelle Davis, Elmer G. Dixon, Kurt Kellerman, Bernadine St. Cyr and Kirk White

**ABSENT:** None

Notice of this meeting was duly exercised and mailed per bylaws:

#### Agenda Amendment(s)

Mayor Daisy proposed the following amendment(s) to the agenda

Item 5A - H. Patrick Witty – P.C. Young Leaders Scholarship Program

Item 9A - Resolution to Support Preparation and Submittal of an Application for Funding through the Louisiana Office of Tourism's Competitive Grant Program

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Davis.

**RESOLVED**, That the agenda be amended.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

#### Adoption of Minutes of Meeting of April 3, 2018

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of April 3, 2018 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

Motion by Ms. St. Cyr and seconded by Mr. White.

**RESOLVED**, That the minutes be adopted in their entirety.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

### **H. Patrick Witty – P.C. Young Leaders Scholarship Program**

In Mr. Witty's absence, Mr. Kellerman and Mr. White presented the information on the scholarship program.

The Pointe Coupee Young Leaders (PCYL) Program was first implemented in 2001 as an opportunity to help the students of Pointe Coupee Parish develop into strong and impactful leaders. The Leadership Program facilitates interaction between program participants and community leaders, demonstrates the value of diversity through collaboration, provides an in depth look at the key roles that government and business play in our parish and offers participants tools to help them grow in leadership and service.

This scholarship is given in honor of Bertell J. Dixon to a high school senior (PCYL participant) that has displayed outstanding leadership qualities and a willingness to serve. Bertell, one of the founders of the Pointe Coupee Young Leaders Program, a Pointe Coupee native, public servant and family man continually gave back: to his family, his church and his parish. From the start of PCYL, Bertell's greatest hope was for Pointe Coupee student's experiencing the joy that can be derived from education, meaningful work and service to others.

Donations are tax deductible and checks are to be made payable to the Greater Pointe Coupee Chamber of Commerce with a note to earmark the dollars for the Bertell J. Dixon Memorial Scholarship.

**Motion by Ms. St. Cyr and seconded by Mr. White.**

**RESOLVED**, That the council adopt a resolution in support of the scholarship program.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

### **Engineer's Report**

Cletus Langlois reported on the following:

**Margarite Street Extension** – Estimates are being received and will be presented at the next meeting.

**False River Drive Sidewalk Project** – A copy of the project quotes was distributed.

**Singletary Street Sidewalks** – A copy of the project estimates was distributed.

**Riverdale Subdivision** – The contractor has begun the work on the ditch.

### **Jerry Ewing & Angela Ewing – Removal of sign at the former Popeye's restaurant**

Mr. Ewing addressed the council to request that the sign at the former Popeye's restaurant not be removed. Instead of removing the sign and installing a new one, he is requesting a permit for repair and maintenance of the existing sign. this site is now the location of Southern Chicks restaurant.

**Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. White.**

**RESOLVED**, That the request for a permit be approved.  
A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

**Discussion of Riverdale Subdivision Map**

Arthur Ewing and David Strange gave an update on the Riverdale Subdivision project and requested final approval of the map.

After some discussion, the following motion was offered.

**Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. White and Ms. St. Cyr.**

**RESOLVED**, That the plat be accepted, that David Strange pay to finish the project to its specifications and that the warranty on the project start at project closeout.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

**Introduction of Ordinance authorizing the assessment of collection fees relative to certain receivables referred to outside agencies and to otherwise provide with respect thereto**

**Motion by Ms. St. Cyr and seconded by Mrs. Dixon.**

**RESOLVED**, That the ordinance be introduced.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, That a public hearing be held on May 1, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

**Resolution to Support Preparation and Submittal of an Application for Funding through the Louisiana Office of Tourism's Competitive Grant Program**

**Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Ms. St. Cyr**

**RESOLVED**, That the resolution be adopted.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS:      Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White  
NAYS:      None  
ABSTAIN:    None  
ABSENT:     None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

#### Mayor's Report

Mayor Daisy reported that the Market at the Mill was a successful event.

#### Council Reports

Mr. Davis reported that the crossing guard at Rosenwald elementary needs a shirt.

Ms. Dixon announced that the HOPE Ministries Garage Sale would be held on April 21, 2018 at the Olinde Shopping Center.

#### Other Announcements

Gail Hurst announced that the False River Rotary is selling raffle tickets. The prize is a collection of books written by Mr. Ernest Gaines.

Mayor Daisy announced that the funeral service for Edward St. Cyr would be held on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at St. Augustine Catholic Church. Mr. St. Cyr was the father of council member, Bernadine St. Cyr.

#### Executive Session – Personnel matter

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Kellerman.

**RESOLVED, That the council convene into executive session.**

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS:      Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White  
NAYS:      None  
ABSTAIN:    None  
ABSENT:     None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

#### Regular Session

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Ms. St. Cyr.

**RESOLVED, That the regular meeting be reconvened.**

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS:      Davis, Dixon, Kellerman, St. Cyr and White  
NAYS:      None  
ABSTAIN:    None  
ABSENT:     None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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**Anthony Daisy**  
**Mayor**

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**Lynette H. Nelson**  
**Secretary-Treasurer**