

MINUTES

CITY OF NEW ROADS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

August 19, 2025

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Theron Smith called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:

PRESENT: Cleotha Johnigan, Jr. , Kurt Kellerman, and Kirk White

ABSENT: James Hunter and Joy Nelson

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

Public comments on agenda items

There were no public comments.

Agenda Amendment(s)

Motion by Mr. Johnigan and seconded by Mr. White.

Item 10A Discussion of fishing benches on pier at Parkway

RESOLVED, That the agenda be amended to add Item 10A

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Johnigan, Kellerman and White

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Hunter and Nelson

On a vote of 3-0-0-2, the motion carried.

Consent Calendar – Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of August 5, 2025

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of August 5, 2025 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

Motion by Mr. Johnigan and seconded by Mr. Kellerman

RESOLVED, That the minutes be adopted in their entirety.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Report from the engineer or contractor on the status of pond and each lift station (K. Kellerman)

Joey Lutz of Owen & White reported that the oxidation pond project is seventy five percent complete.

Report from the engineer or contractor on the Oxidation pond (K. Kellerman)

The contractor reported as follows:

- Hospital Road Lift Station – the project is at a standstill
- Wilkins Lift Station – the pump is on site waiting to be installed. This project should be completed by the end of next week.
- Fazend Lift Station – this project should be completed by the end of next week.
- Pennsylvania Lift Station – this station is in line for repair.
- Major Parkway Lift Station – this project has not started.

Appointment to Planning & Zoning Commission

Mayor Smith recommended that Donna Hammond be appointed to the commission.

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

RESOLVED, That Donna Hammond be appointed to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Johnigan, Kellerman and White
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Hunter and Nelson

On a vote of 3-0-0-2, the motion carried.

Cessation of Disconnect Notices

Mayor Smith mentioned the possible discontinuation of disconnect notices. This process would create an annual savings of \$7000.00. He requested that the council think about it for discussion at a later date.

Discussion of fishing benches on pier at Parkway

Mr. Kellerman recommended that the city place benches along the pier to provide seating for the fisherman. The bench project is being spearheaded by Nicholas Galvan. Nicholas, the grandson of Grace and Louis Hebert, is working towards Eagle Scout status.

Committee Reports


There were no committee reports.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Smith reported that in the opinion of the Department of Transportation and Development, the city needs to remove several parking spots from East Main Street near the courthouse. There have been complaints of visibility issues while traveling in this area.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.


Lynette H. Nelson
Secretary-Treasurer


Theron Smith
Mayor