

MINUTES

**CITY OF NEW ROADS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

February 16, 2016

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 6:00 P.M. Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Robert A. Myer called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:

PRESENT: Anthony Daisy, Vernell Davis, Kurt Kellerman, Bernadine St. Cyr and Kirk White

ABSENT: None

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

Adoption of Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 5, 2016, January 19, 2016 and February 2, 2016

The aforementioned minutes were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

Motion by Mr. Daisy and seconded by Mr. Davis.

RESOLVED, that the minutes be adopted in their entirety.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Daisy, Davis, 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

The city engineer reported on the following:

False River Drive Pedestrian Parkway (Plans & Specifications)

The city has been awarded an additional \$15,000.00 as the project costs have increased.

Pointe Breeze Lift Station

The engineer referred the council to several websites to view videos of sewage grinding machines. The machines shred most any material capable of disrupting sewer systems. In addition, the public works director will address the issue with the employees of the nursing home and the hospital.

Mr. Kellerman exited the meeting.

Condemnation of Blighted/Abandoned Structures

Genieve Marks – Property located at 1324 Richey Street

Mrs. Marks informed the council that she will be repairing the structure and requested time to make the improvements.

Motion by Mr. Daisy and seconded by Mr. Davis.

RESOLVED that the property owner be granted 60 days for the home improvements and a review be conducted within that time frame.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

On a vote of 4-0-0-1, the motion carried.

Oliver J. Terrance – Property located at 505 Olinde Street

Mr. James Terrance informed the council that the Terrance family plans to demolish the house at 505 Olinde Street.

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

RESOLVED, that the property owner be granted 60 days to demolish the house.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

On a vote of 4-0-0-1, the motion carried.

Joseph Garrett – Property located at 1304 False River Drive

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

RESOLVED, that the property owner be granted 60 days to make the home improvements.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

On a vote of 4-0-0-1, the motion carried.

Enforcement of Animal Ordinance

Due to recent complaints of livestock in the city limits, a discussion on the animal ordinance and the definition of “what is livestock and what is a nuisance animal” resulted in a recommendation to continue to research the matter.

Discussion on Increase in Traffic Fines

A proposal to increase the city's traffic fines was submitted for approval. After some review and revisions, the following motion was offered.

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

RESOLVED, That the proposal to increase traffic fines be accepted.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

On a vote of 4-0-0-1, the motion carried.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Myer expressed his appreciation to the volunteers that assisted with the Mardi Gras festivities. There were over 250 volunteers from across the state of Louisiana. He also informed the council that the city's website is being updated.

Committee Reports

Mr. White thanked the city for the \$42,500.00 appropriation to the airport and gave an update on the Red Tail Squadron exhibit.

Mayor's Report continued

Mayor Myer informed the council that the parish recently conducted a tour of the Wm. H. Scott Civic Center and someone, shortly someone, filed a report on the facility's condition with the health department. The health department found no deficiencies. He requested that a letter be sent to the police jury regarding the civic center property.

Mayor Myer reported that he had met with an electrical consultant to discuss the city's electric grid and the location of circuits to take growth west of the city.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Robert A. Myer, Mayor

Lynette H. Nelson