

MINUTES

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

March 21, 2017

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. Tuesday, March 21, 2017 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 and Kirk White

ABSENT: Kurt Kellerman and Bernadine St. Cyr

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

Adoption of Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 7, 2017

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 7, 2017 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes be adopted in their entirety.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Daisy, Davis and White

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Kellerman and St. Cyr

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

Engineer Report

New Roads Sidewalk Project - Cletus Langlois reported that there was a problem with writing in the cement and requested direction on how the city wants it removed.

Roger Richard – Port Commission Update

Mr. Richard was not in attendance.

Discussion and consideration of condemnation of blighted/abandoned properties

Francis M. Lacour – Property located at 1824 Hospital Road

Gary Hollier appeared before the council on behalf of Mr. Lacour. Mr. Hollier informed the council that the property would be torn down within thirty to sixty days.

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

RESOLVED, That the structure be demolished and the property cleared of all debris.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Charles A. Parolli – Property located at 148 E. Main Street

Mr. Parolli informed the council that he has a potential buyer for the property and requested additional time to complete the sale.

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Daisy.

RESOLVED, That Mr. Parolli be granted thirty days and provide an update to the council within that time frame.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Ms. St. Cyr entered the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Mayor's Report

Civic Center Agreement – City council members were given a copy of the proposed agreement for review and comment.

Car Show – The 8th annual event was “outstanding” and had the most entries since its inception. Mayor Myer thanked Ronnie Jewell and his car club members for their hard work.

Council Reports

Kirk White gave an update on a recent meeting to discuss the “juvenile burglaries”. He reported that the meeting was held at the courthouse with about 20 to 25 individuals in attendance. Those in attendance included the sheriff, a local judge, the school superintendent, and a representative from an ankle bracelet monitoring company.

Kevin McDonald handed out a proposal and several ideas towards moving forward with a Neighborhood Watch Program. The police department will conduct several public awareness meetings within the coming weeks. The city will provide funding for advertising, publications and signage to encourage participation.

Ms. St. Cyr mentioned a request from a concerned citizen for protection on his property from moving vehicles. She also commented on her recent attendance at the National League of Cities Congressional Cities Conference.

Mr. White reminded everyone of the airport's open house on April 6th and thanked the organizers of the car show for a job well done.

Mr. Stafford Chenevert introduced Heather Jewell. Ms. Jewell is the new reporter for the P.C. Banner.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Robert A. Myer, Mayor

Lynette H. Nelson