

**MINUTES**

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

**July 20, 2021**

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Cornell Dukes called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:

**PRESENT:** Joy Nelson, Theron Smith and Kirk White

**ABSENT:** Vernell Davis, Kurt Kellerman

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

**Adoption of Minutes of Meeting of July 6, 2021**

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of July 6, 2021 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

Motion by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. White.

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

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Smith, Nelson, and White  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** Kellerman and Davis

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

**Tommy Lejeune w/ Faulk & Winkler – Monthly Financial Report**

The report will be presented at the city council retreat.

**Adoption of 2021 Millage Rate**

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Smith.

**RESOLVED**, That the 2021 millage rate be adopted.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Smith, Nelson, and White  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** Kellerman and Davis

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

**Ryan Kollath – Sewer System concerns**

Mr. Kollath appeared before the council to voice his concerns for a sewer problem at his residence in Fairfield Subdivision.

**Presentation to council for approval of electric power contract (Mayor Dukes)**

Mayor Dukes stated that the city should return to LEPA for its electric power service.

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Smith.

**RESOLVED**, That the city return to LEPA as a fuel requirement city.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Smith, Nelson, and White  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** Kellerman and Davis

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

**Council Report**

Ms. Nelson reported a complaint of dogs near the walking trail at the civic center and introduced Ms. Jeanette Derosin who expressed her concerns for an incident with the police department and access to public records.

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Dukes reported that the participants in the summer employment programs attended a field trip to the Old State Capitol. The trip included a visit to the chambers of the Honorable Tiffany Foxworth-Roberts.

Mayor Dukes thanked the participants of the 2021 summer employment program.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

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**Cornell Dukes**  
**Mayor**

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