

MINUTES

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

August 2, 2022

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, August 2, 2022 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Cornell Dukes called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:

PRESENT: Vernell Davis, Kurt Kellerman, Joy Nelson, Theron Smith and Kirk White

ABSENT: None

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

Public comments on agenda items

There were no public comments.

Consent Calendar – Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of July 19, 2022

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of July 19, 2022 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. Davis.

RESOLVED, That the minutes be adopted in their entirety.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Agenda Amendment(s)

Item 7B Arthur Ewing - Concerns for City Drinking Water

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Ms. Nelson.

RESOLVED, That the agenda be amended.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Smith, Nelson, White, Kellerman, and Davis

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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

Consideration and approval of Application for Beer and/or Liquor License – Ryan J. Glaser

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

RESOLVED, That the application be approved.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Mr. Darryl Patin of Kiwanis Club – Discussion of Kiwanis Gazebo

On behalf of Mr. Patin, Mr. Kenneth St. Romain addressed the council to request funding for improvements at Kiwanis Park. The improvements would include landscaping, a new sign and the installation of plaques honoring the seven military generals from Pointe Coupee Parish.

Mr. Kellerman stated that he would donate the sign. Mayor Dukes stated that the city could find ways to assist in this endeavor.

After some discussion, it was recommended that a report of the final costs be prepared and a list of in-kind services.

Arthur Ewing - Concerns for City Drinking Water

Arthur Ewing appeared before the council to express his concerns for the chlorine levels in the drinking water. Further discussion resulted in the Mayor authorizing that a test be performed on tomorrow (August 3rd) and the results be made available by the end of the week.

Tommy Lejeune of Faulk & Winkler – Financial Update

Mr. Lejeune gave a financial update for the quarter ending June 30, 2022.

Matthew Margaglio of Kolder, Slaven & Co., LLC – Presentation of 2021 Audit

Mr. Margaglio presented the 2021 Audit.

During the report, Mayor Dukes asked the Mayor Pro Tem regarding the sale of concessions at Douglas Park for the past two and a half years. Mr. Smith stated that Mayor Dukes had authorized the use of the facility to sell concessions.

Mayor Dukes stated that he did not authorize Mr. Smith to sell concessions.

Raymond Smith, Jr. – Community Programs/Affairs

Mr. Smith expressed his appreciation to Mayor Dukes for his assistance in resolving a utility service issue at his mother's home and complaints of violence at a local nightclub.

Discussion of Owen & White, Inc. Contract for Engineering Services for Potable Water Improvements and Sanitary Sewer System Improvements

The item was deferred to the next meeting.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

**Cornell Dukes
Mayor**

**Lynette H. Nelson
Secretary-Treasurer**