

MINUTES

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

December 19, 2023

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Theron Smith called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:

PRESENT: Joy Nelson, James Hunter, Kurt Kellerman, and Kirk White

ABSENT: Cleotha Johnigan, Jr.

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

Public comments on agenda items

There were no public comments.

Agenda Amendment(s)

Mayor Smith proposed the following amendment(s) to the agenda.

Item 9A Section 8 Administrative Plan
Item 9B Section 8 Payment Standards

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

RESOLVED, That the agenda be amended.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Paula Lambert – Presentation on Main Street Hanging Basket Project

After the presentation, the following motion was offered.

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

RESOLVED, That the agreement be approved.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Public Hearing – Adoption of 2024 Budget and 2023 Budget Amendment

Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. Hunter.

RESOLVED, That the 2024 Budget and 2023 Budget Amendment be adopted.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Public Hearing – Adoption of Bond Ordinance

Adoption of the ordinance was deferred.

Consent Calendar – Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of November 21, 2023 and December 5, 2023

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of November 21, 2023 and December 5, 2023 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes be adopted in their entirety.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Section 8 Administrative Plan

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

RESOLVED, That the plan be adopted.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Section 8 Payment Standards

Motion by Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. Hunter.

RESOLVED, That the standards be adopted.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Committee Reports

Mr. White reported that the airport is nearing receipt of funding for new T-hangars.

Council Reports

On behalf of Mr. Darryl Patin, Mr. Kellerman requested assistance with work at the Kiwanis Park. He also recommended that a Public Works committee meeting be held to discuss city services price increases.

In closing, he announced that an employee Xmas party would be held on Friday, December 22nd at 12:00 under the gazebo.

Mayor's Report

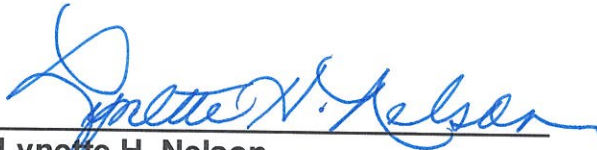
Mayor Smith announced that Mr. Johnigan had undergone surgery and asked everyone to keep him in their prayers.

He reported that the January 2, 2024 council meeting was cancelled, the building that housed the visitor center had been sold and that a new bank was locating in town.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.



Theron Smith
Mayor



Lynette H. Nelson
Secretary-Treasurer