

MINUTES

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

April 16, 2024

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, April 16, 2024 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, Cleotha Johnigan, Kirk White and Kurt Kellerman

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 April 2, 2024

The minutes of the Regular Council meetings of April 2, 2024 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes be approved in their entirety.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Agenda Amendment(s)

Mayor Smith proposed the following amendment to the agenda.

Item 8A Tony Clayton, District Attorney

Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. White

RESOLVED, that the agenda be amended.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Nelson, Hunter, Johnigan, White and Kellerman

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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

Discussion of Vibes on False River

Mayor Smith reported that the city would host a new event every Friday in May and requested an allocation \$7000.00 from the Market at the Mill fund for the event.

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

RESOLVED, That the request be approved.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

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

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

Approval of Berachan, Inc. Bench Advertising Renewal Contract

After some discussion, this matter was deferred to the next city council meeting.

Tony Clayton, District Attorney

Mr. Clayton appeared before the council to present the Law Enforcement District Initiative. According to a handout, the initiative will “provide stable, recurring revenue for the DA’s office, and allows the DA’s office to establish needed programs to address juvenile crime, gang activity, drug operations, and increasing sex crimes, including internet crimes against children”.

Early voting is scheduled for April 13-20 and Election Day is April 27, 2024.

Committee Reports

Mr. White reported that the Public Works committee met to discuss various topics.

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



Theron Smith
Mayor



Lynette H. Nelson
Secretary-Treasurer