

MINUTES

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

May 7, 2024

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Theron Smith called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:

PRESENT: James Hunter, Cleotha Johnigan, Kirk White and Kurt Kellerman

ABSENT: Joy Nelson

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 16, 2024

The minutes of the Regular Council meetings of April 16, 2024 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Hunter.

RESOLVED, That the minutes be approved in their entirety.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Paul Kadair – Bench Advertisements

Mr. Kadair appeared before the council to address the renewal of the bench advertising contract. The bench advertising has been in existence since 1987. After some discussion, the following motion was offered.

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Hunter.

RESOLVED, That the contract be renewed for five years with the option to renew for an additional five years upon expiration. The effective date will be 2026.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Nelson, Hunter, Johnigan, and White

NAYS: Kellerman

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Nelson

On a vote of 3-1-0-1, the motion carried.

Discussion on Animal Control

Mayor Smith informed the council that the animal control agreement was due for renewal with a three percent annual increase. After some discussion, the following motion was offered.

Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. Johnigan.

RESOLVED, That the agreement be cancelled.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Hunter, Johnigan, White and Kellerman

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Nelson

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

Committee Reports

Mr. White reported that the airport hangar project is underway.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Smith reported that the Vibes on False River event was nice and would be held every Friday during the month of May. He also commented on the hanging baskets and asked for the council's input on the type of trees to be planted on Main Street to replace the existing magnolias.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:20.

Theron Smith
Mayor

Lynette H. Nelson
Secretary-Treasurer