

**MINUTES
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF KINDER, LOUISIANA**

February 1, 2021

The Notice of Meeting/Agenda having been duly posted in accordance with requirements, and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Wayland LaFargue at 6:00 PM.

Mayor, Council and Staff Present:

Wayland LaFargue, Mayor
LaToya Tunwar, Councilwoman Dist.1
Maria DeWees, Councilwoman Dist. 2
Christopher Fontenot, Councilman Dist. 3
Angie Van Norman, Councilwoman Dist.4
C.J. Fontenot, Councilman At Large
Traci Fontenot, Town Clerk
Paul Courville, Chief of Police
Michael Holmes, Town Attorney
Wesley Miller, Pan American Engineers

Council and Staff Absent:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor LaFargue asked council to consider approving the minutes for the regular council meeting of December 7, 2020.

Motion: To dispense with the reading of the minutes from December 7, 2020 and approve them as distributed.
Made by: Councilwoman Tunwar
Second: Councilman CJ Fontenot
Vote: 5-0, passed.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor LaFargue and the council heard from Jackie Reviel, CEO of Allen Parish Community Healthcare, who was at the meeting to discuss the plans and design phases for the new hospital.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

Chief Courville asked council to consider approving two personnel changes in his department. He promoted part time dispatchers Betty Zachary and Amanda Manuel to full time with benefits. After some discussion, a motion was made.

Motion: To approve the recommendation from Chief Courville to promote Betty Zachary and Amanda Manuel to full time dispatchers with benefits.
Made by: Councilman Christopher Fontenot
Second: Councilman CJ Fontenot
Vote: 5-0, passed.

TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

Mr. Holmes asked council to consider adopting Resolution No. 2021-01, a resolution to make application to the State Bond Commission regarding a \$3,350,000 Sales Tax Bond for the propose of wastewater treatment plant improvements. After some discussion, a motion was made.

Motion: To adopt Resolution 2021-01, to make application to the State Bond Commission for \$3,350,000 in Sales Tax Bonds.
Made by: Councilwoman Van Norman
Second: Councilman CJ Fontenot
Vote: 5-0, passed.

Mr. Holmes reported on another Resolution to be considered and introduced Mike Busada with Butler Snow to speak to the mayor and council. Mr. Busada presented Resolution No. 2021-02, a resolution to make application to the State Bond Commission regarding \$4,500,000 in Sewer Refunding Bonds and to hire Butler Snow as bond counsel and Government Consultants, Inc. as municipal advisors. After some discussion, a motion was made.

Motion: To adopt Resolution 2021-02, to make application to the State Bond Commission regarding \$4,500,000 in Sewer Refunding Bonds and to hire Butler Snow as bond counsel and Government Consultants, Inc. as municipal advisors.
Made by: Councilman Christopher Fontenot
Second: Councilwoman Van Norman
Vote: 5-0, passed.

TOWN ENGINEER REPORT

Wesley Miller reported that Pan American Engineers applied for two grants on behalf of the Town, the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) and the Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP). Both grants would be used to purchase new water meter registers if awarded.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Mrs. Fontenot reported that income statements with the monthly budget-to-actual comparisons were included in the mayor and council packets.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Motion: To adjourn.
Made by: Councilwoman Tunwar
Second: Councilman CJ Fontenot
Vote: 5-0, passed.

Adjournment

/s/Wayland LaFargue, Mayor

/s/Traci B. Fontenot, Town Clerk