

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

October 19, 2020

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 September 14, 2020.

Motion: To dispense with the reading of the minutes from September 14, 2020 and approve them as distributed.
Made by: Councilman CJ Fontenot
Second: Councilwoman Van Norman
Vote: 5-0, passed.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor LaFargue asked Spencer Reed, owner of Spenzr Disaster Relief, LLC, to give an update on the debris removal throughout town. He reported they were about 95% complete with the vegetative debris removal and planned to begin picking up C & D debris by the end of the current week.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

Chief Paul Courville asked council to consider an amendment to the Employee Policy and Procedure Manual relative to body cameras and recording equipment.

Motion: To amend the current Police Department Policy and Procedure Manual to include a section relative to body cameras and recording equipment.

Made by: Councilwoman Tunwar
Second: Councilman Christopher Fontenot
Vote: 5-0, passed.

Chief Courville also asked council for their approval to hire a part-time dispatcher.

Motion: To approve the Chief's decision to hire Samantha Bertrand as a part-time dispatcher.
Made by: Councilwoman Tunwar
Second: Councilwoman Van Norman
Vote: 5-0, passed.

TOWN ENGINEER REPORT

Wesley Miller asked council to consider a resolution adopting a procurement policy and authorizing the mayor to solicit qualification statements for engineering and proposals for administration for the Louisiana Watershed Initiative Grant. After some discussion, a motion was made.

Motion: To adopt Resolution No. 2020-05.
Made by: Councilwoman DeWees
Second: Councilwoman Tunwar
Vote: 5-0, passed.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Mrs. Fontenot asked council to consider adopting a resolution to approve the FY 2020/2021 Section 8 Public Housing Agency Annual Plan.

Motion: To adopt Resolution No. 2020-04.
Made by: Councilman Christopher Fontenot
Second: Councilwoman DeWees
Vote: 5-0, passed.

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

COUNCIL REPORT

Councilman Christopher Fontenot thanked Mayor LaFargue for all of his hard work during and after the hurricanes. Councilwoman Tunwar asked for an update on an ordinance violation on N. 14th St. Chief Courville reported that the violation was being taken care of.

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

Motion: To adjourn.
Made by: Councilman Christopher Fontenot
Second: Councilwoman Van Norman
Vote: 5-0, passed.

Adjournment

/s/Wayland LaFargue, Mayor

/s/Traci B. Fontenot, Town Clerk