

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

October 3, 2022

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 p.m.

**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  
Barney Doise, Councilman at Large  
Traci Fontenot, Town Clerk  
Michael Holmes, Town Attorney  
Paul Courville, Chief of Police  
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 6, 2022.

**Motion:** To dispense with the reading of the minutes from September 6, 2022 and approve them as distributed.  
**Made by:** Councilwoman Tunwar  
**Second:** Councilwoman DeWees  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

**CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT**

Chief Paul Courville asked for council approval on hiring Christian Guillory as a full-time patrolman to replace Jacob Lacour, who had recently resigned. After some discussion, a motion was made.

**Motion:** To approve Chief Courville's recommendation to hire Christian Guillory as full-time patrolman.  
**Made by:** Councilwoman Tunwar  
**Second:** Councilwoman Van Norman  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

**TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT**

Mr. Holmes opened the public hearing regarding proposed Ordinance No. 874, an ordinance to amend Sections 21-7 and 21-77 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Kinder. If passed, this ordinance would change the date that late charges are added to utility bills if the due date falls on a weekend or holiday. There being no public comment, the public hearing was closed.

**Motion:** To adopt Ordinance No. 874, an ordinance to amend Sections 21-7 and 21-77 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Kinder relating to late charges on utility bills.  
**Made by:** Councilwoman Tunwar  
**Second:** None  
**Motion to adopt failed.**

Mr. Holmes asked council to consider introducing Ordinance No. 875, an ordinance to amend Section 3-36 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Kinder. He reported that if passed, this ordinance would amend the wording regarding the qualifications of applicants for alcohol beverage licenses. After some discussion, Councilman Fontenot introduced Ordinance No. 875.

Mr. Holmes reported that La Rumba, 1315 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, has applied for an alcohol license and asked council to consider approval. After some discussion, a motion was made.

**Motion:** To approve the alcohol beverage license application from LaRumba, 1315 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue.  
**Made by:** Councilwoman Van Norman  
**Second:** Councilman Fontenot  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

## **ENGINEER REPORT**

Wesley Miller asked council to consider several resolutions in regard to the 2022/2023 CWF and LGAP grants and the FY 2023 Local Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) application. After some discussion, the following motions were made.

**Motion:** To approve Resolution No. 2022-07 authorizing the mayor to work with Pan American Engineers on the development of the Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) application.  
**Made by:** Councilwoman Van Norman  
**Second:** Councilwoman DeWees  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

**Motion:** To approve Resolution No. 2022-08 authorizing the mayor to work with Pan American Engineers on the development of the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWF) application.  
**Made by:** Councilman Fontenot  
**Second:** Councilwoman Van Norman  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

**Motion:** To approve Resolution No. 2022-09 relative to payment of engineering fees for FY 2023 LCDBG grant.  
**Made by:** Councilwoman Tunwar  
**Second:** Councilwoman DeWees  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

**Motion:** To approve Resolution No. 2022-10 relative to payment of grant administration fees for FY 2023 LCDBG grant.  
**Made by:** Councilman Fontenot  
**Second:** Councilwoman Van Norman  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

## **TOWN CLERK REPORT**

Mrs. Fontenot asked council to consider adopting the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire that is required by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's office. After some discussion, a motion was made.

**Motion:** To adopt the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire as required by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.  
**Made by:** Councilwoman DeWees  
**Second:** Councilwoman Tunwar  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

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

**Motion:** To adjourn.  
**Made by:** Councilwoman Tunwar  
**Second:** Councilwoman Van Norman  
**Vote:** 5-0, passed.

## **Adjournment**

/s/Wayland LaFargue, Mayor

/s/Traci B. Fontenot, Town Clerk