

These are the minutes of a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Kaplan held on Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at SSG Ulysse Trahan Council Chamber located at 701 N. Cushing Avenue.

Present: Mayor: Mike Kloesel

Board of Alderman: Dirk Gary
Eva Dell Morrison
John Carbaugh
Melissa Guidry

Absent: Richard LeBlanc

Also Present: City Clerk: Christine L. Trahan, LMMC
City Attorney: Calvin Woodruff, Jr.
Engineer: Brett Bayard

The meeting was called to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and an opening prayer was offered.

The minutes of the June 19, 2017 regular City Council meeting and the July 3, 2018 special City Council meeting were approved as submitted.

Item #1

Motion: Councilman Carbaugh, Second: Councilwoman Morrison
Carried to appoint Councilwoman Guidry as the Mayor Pro-Temp.

Item #2

Motion: Councilman Carbaugh, Second: Councilwoman Guidry
Unanimously carried to appoint Councilman Gary as the Alternate Mayor Pro-Temp.

Item #3

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilman Carbaugh
Unanimously carried to appoint Mader Engineering as the City Engineer.

Item #4

Motion: Councilman Gary, Second: None
Appointment of Heather Guidry as City Clerk dies for lack of a second.

Item #5

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second: Councilman Carbaugh
Unanimously carried to appoint Mayor Kloesel as a Director to the LEPA Board.

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilman Carbaugh
Unanimously carried to appoint Councilwoman Guidry as the Alternate Director to the LEPA Board.

Item #6

Committee Chairpersons are as follows:
Finance & Recreation- Councilman Gary
Utility – Councilman Carbaugh
Streets & Drainage- Councilwoman Morrison
Police, Fire & Safety- Councilwoman Guidry
Industrial Inducement- Councilman LeBlanc

Item #7

Motion: Councilman Carbaugh, Second: Councilwoman Guidry
Unanimously carried to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor, Mayor Pro-Temp and the City Clerk as signatures on all of the bank accounts with IberiaBank, Pedestal Bank and Vermilion Bank;

Item #8

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilwoman Guidry
Unanimously carried to enter into a lease agreement for 2 fully equipped Police Patrol Units.

Item #9

Motion: Councilman Carbaugh, Second: Councilman Gary

Unanimously carried to approve contract change order #1, increasing the contract time by 51 calendar days, which would not change the contract value, of the Walking Trails Project.

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilwoman Guidry

Unanimously carried adopt a resolution requesting financial assistance from the State of Louisiana under the 2018-19 fiscal year Local Government Assistance Program and the Community Water Enrichment Fund Program.

Item #10

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second: Councilwoman Morrison

Carried to approve installation of an automated payment kiosk for collections of Utility and Tax payments when City Hall is closed.

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilwoman Guidry

Unanimously carried to adopt a resolution giving a 5% pay increase to Kaplan City Court Clerks and to include the Kaplan City Court Clerks in any future raises granted to City of Kaplan Employees.

Item #11

Councilwoman Morrison introduced an ordinance which would ban installation of any electrical fencing within the corporate limits of the City of Kaplan. A public hearing will be held at the next regular meeting of the Council.

Item #12

An announcement was made that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday August 21, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the SSG Ulysse Trahan Council Chamber on the 2nd Floor at 701 N. Cushing Avenue, Kaplan, Louisiana, where the Mayor and Board of Alderman for the City of Kaplan plan to consider a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the City of Kaplan to authorize issuance of general obligation bonds.

Item #13

Motion: Councilman Carbaugh, Second: Councilwoman Morrison

Unanimously carried to approve the 2018 Compliance Questionnaire.

Item #14

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilman Carbaugh

Unanimously carried to ratify the hiring of Shayden Naquin as a Laborer with the Streets Department effective June 28, 2018.

Item #15

Motion: Councilman Carbaugh, Second: Councilwoman Morrison

Unanimously carried to ratify the hiring of Preston LeMaire as an Equipment Operator with the Streets Department effective June 28, 2018.

Item #16

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second: Councilwoman Morrison

Unanimously carried to ratify the promotion of Jeremy Marceaux to the position of Superintendent of Gas & Water Distribution, with a 5% pay increase effective July 5, 2018

Public Comment

Adjourn

/s/ Christine L. Trahan, LMMC
CHRISTINE L. TRAHAN, CITY CLERK

/s/ Mike Kloesel
MIKE KLOESEL, MAYOR