



These are the minutes of a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Kaplan held on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 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  
Justin Johnson  
Melissa Guidry

Also Present: City Clerk: Heather S. Guidry  
City Attorney: Calvin Woodruff, Jr.  
Engineer: Todd Vincent

Mayor Kloesel called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

An opening prayer was offered by Pastor Williams and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kloesel.

Billie Menard was recognized as Citizen of the Month.

Motion: Ms. Guidry, Second: Mr. Gary  
Unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2019 regular City Council meeting and the December 23, 2019, special City Council meeting as submitted.

#### Item #1

The treasurer's report was presented in the council's packet for their review of the budget to actual comparison.

Motion: Mr. Gary, Second: Mr. Johnson

Unanimously carried to approve the December 2019 financials as presented.

#### Item #2

City Engineer, Todd Vincent updated the Council on the status of current projects.

#### Item #3

An update on the Police Department was given by Chief Joshua Hardy.

#### Item #4

An update on the Industrial Inducement Committee meeting was given by Mr. John Carbaugh.

#### Item #5

A public hearing was opened to get public comment on the adoption of an ordinance 01-20-A – Dangerous Buildings, which would adopt the current state statutes regarding the condition of buildings and condemnation of buildings and structures. With no comments forthcoming, the hearing was declared closed.

#### Item #6

Motion: Mr. Johnson, Second: Ms. Guidry

Adopt ordinance 01-20-A – Dangerous Buildings, which would adopt the current state statutes regarding the conditions of buildings and condemnation of buildings and structures.

Mayor Kloesel asked for a roll call vote, and the vote is as follows:

Mr. Gary: Yes	Mr. Johnson: Yes
Ms. Morrison: Yes	Ms. Guidry: Yes
Mr. Carbaugh: Yes	

Item #7

Motion: Mr. Carbaugh, Second: Ms. Morrison

Unanimously carried to approve the designation of Donald Fontaine, as Chairperson/Liaison of the Complete Count Committee for the City of Kaplan, to work with the community and the US Census Bureau for the 2020 Census.

Item #8

Motion: Ms. Morrison, Second Ms. Guidry

Unanimously carried to approve 120 hours of vacation, 40 hours of sick leave and 24 hours of personal leave towards retirement for Ellery J. Hargrave, to be paid weekly commencing January 8, 2020 and ending February 7, 2020, with a retirement date expected on February 8, 2020.

Item #9

Motion: Mr. Gary, Second: Mr. Johnson

Unanimously carried to ratify the change in the Labor Day holiday closure date to September 7, 2020.

Item #10

Motion: Ms. Guidry, Second: Mr. Carbaugh

Unanimously carried to approve the promotion of Patrick Doucet to Patrol Sergeant, step 6, at the rate of \$2,017.00 per month, within the Kaplan Police Department effective December 26, 2019.

Item #11

Motion: Mr. Gary, Second: Mr. Carbaugh

Unanimously carried to approve the promotion of Jaron Vidallier to Patrol Sergeant, step 7, at the rate of \$2,067.00 per month, within the Kaplan Police Department, effective January 9, 2020.

Item #12

Motion: Ms. Guidry, Second: Mr. Johnson

Unanimously carried to ratify the hiring of Danny J. Miller as Police Officer, step 7, at the rate of \$1,951.00 per month, within the Kaplan Police Department, effective December 13, 2019.

Mayor Kloesel and council gave announcements.

Motion: Mr. Carbaugh, Second: Mr. Johnson

Unanimously carried to amend the agenda to introduce an ordinance amending the previous ordinance, which prohibits patrons to solicit at any red light within the city limits of Kaplan and collect money for fundraisers.

Motion: Mr. Gary, Second: Ms. Guidry

Unanimously carried to introduce ordinance 02-20-A, which would provide for a waiver under certain circumstances and by council approval of each request, for patrons to solicit money at any red light within the city limits of Kaplan and collect money for fundraisers. This ordinance is set for public hearing on February 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn

/s/ Heather S. Guidry  
HEATHER S. GUIDRY, CITY CLERK

/s/ Mike Kloesel  
MIKE KLOESEL, MAYOR