



These are the minutes of a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Kaplan held on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at SSG Ulysse Trahan Council Chamber located at 701 N. Cushing Avenue.

Present: Mayor: Mike Kloesel

Board of Alderman: Eva Dell Morrison
Mike Renfrow
Justin Johnson
Melissa Guidry

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

Absent: Dirk Gary

Mayor Kloesel called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

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

Abraham Turner III was recognized as Citizen of the Month.

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second Councilwoman Guidry
Unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the May 17, 2022 Regular City Council meeting.

Item #1

The treasurer's report for May 2022 was presented on the council's iPads for their review of the budget to actual comparison.

Motion: Councilman Johnson Second: Councilman Renfrow

Unanimously carried to approve the May 2022 financials as presented.

Item #2

City Engineer Todd Vincent updated the council on current projects.

Item #3

Police Chief Josh Hardy updated the council on his department.

Item #4

An update was given by Councilwoman Melissa Guidry on the Police, Fire & Safety Committee meeting held on May 24, 2022.

Item #5

An update was given by Mayor Kloesel on behalf of Councilman at Large Dirk Gary on the Finance Committee meeting held on June 2, 2022.

Item #6

A public hearing was opened to get public comment on the adoption of Ordinance 06-22-A – Amendment of Ordinance 06-21-A-2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget. With no comments forthcoming, the hearing was declared closed.

Item #7

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilwoman Guidry

Motion to adopt Ordinance 06-22-A – Amendment of Ordinance 06-21-A – 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget

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

Councilwoman Morrison: Yes
Councilman Renfrow: Yes

Councilman Johnson: Yes
Councilwoman Guidry: Yes

Item #8

A public hearing was opened to get public comment on the adoption of Ordinance 06-22-B – 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Budget. With no comments forthcoming, the hearing was declared closed.

Item #9

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second: Councilman Renfrow
Adopt Ordinance 06-22-B – 2022 -2023 Fiscal Year Budget.

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

Councilwoman Morrison: Yes
Councilman Renfrow: Yes

Councilman Johnson: Yes
Councilwoman Guidry: Yes

Item #10

A public hearing was opened to get public comment on the adoption of Ordinance 06-22-C – Reapportionment of city election districts. With one comment from Brenda Turner, the hearing was declared closed.

Item #11

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilman Renfrow
Unanimously carried to adopt Ordinance 06-22-C – Reapportionment of city election districts.

Item #12

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilman Renfrow
Unanimously carried to adopt a resolution granting authority to the mayor to sign and submit all necessary documents along with adopting certain policies, plan & procedures in connection with the FY 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program Love Louisiana Outdoors Program.

Item #13:

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilwoman Guidry
Unanimously carried to ratify the resolution adopted by the Kaplan Zoning Committee on May 25, 2022, approving the re-classification from R-1 to R-2 for the following property: Lots 1 through 29 of the property situated on the north side of the City beginning at the intersection of Legion Drive and North Irving Avenue (American Legion Road) going south to the intersection of Veterans Drive then west to Boudreaux Ave.

Item #14:

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second: Councilwoman Morrison
Unanimously carried to ratify the acceptance of the 2022 Water We Drink Report (monitoring period January 1st to December 31, 2021). This report was published in the Kaplan Herald on June 1, 2022 to notify all customers.

Item #15:

Motion: Councilwoman Morrison, Second: Councilman Johnson
Unanimously carried to ratify the resignation of Adam B. Arabie with the Kaplan Police Department effective May 30, 2022.

Item #16:

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilwoman Guidry
Unanimously carried to ratify the 5% pay increase for Grover C. Crosby in Wastewater Treatment I and Wastewater Collection I, effective April 25, 2022.

Item #17:

Motion: Councilwoman Guidry, Second: Councilman Johnson
Unanimously carried to ratify the hiring of Alexis Segura as an Equipment Operator, Step 5, with Streets and Bridges, effective June 16, 2022.

Item #18:

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilwoman Guidry
Unanimously carried to ratify the hiring of Timothy Mitchell as a laborer, Step 7, with Streets and Bridges, effective June 16, 2022.

Mayor Kloesel and council gave announcements.

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second Councilwoman Morrison
Unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

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

/s/ Mike Kloesel
MIKE KLOESEL, MAYOR