

These are the minutes of a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Kaplan held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 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

Randy Campbell Mike Renfrow Justin Johnson

Absent: Chuck Guidry

Todd Vincent, City Engineer

Also Present: Calvin Woodruff, Jr., City Attorney

Heather S. Guidry, City Clerk

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 Councilman Mike Renfrow.

The following city employees were recognized for years of service:

Robert Pommier – Assistant Fire Chief – 10 years of service

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilman Campbell

Unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the February 28, 2023 Regular City Council meeting.

Item #1

The treasurer's report for February 2023 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 February 2023 financials as presented.

Item #2

On behalf of Engineer Todd Vincent, Mayor Mike Kloesel gave the update on all of the current projects.

Item #3

Police Chief Josh Hardy gave an update on behalf of the Kaplan Police Department.

Item #4

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilman Johnson

Open up discussion on the elimination of two (2) Police Officer/Patrolman positions within the Kaplan Police Department.

Motion: Councilman Gary, Second: Councilman Campbell

Unanimously carried to table agenda item #4 & #5 until the April 18, 2023 City Council meeting.

Item #6

Motion: Councilman Renfrow, Second: Councilman Johnson

Unanimously carried to adopt a resolution granting authority to the mayor to sign and submit all necessary documents in connection with the Water Sector Program for Sewer System Improvements.

Item #7

Motion: Councilman Campbell, Second: Councilman Gary

Open discussion on the newly created position of Deputy Clerk for the City of Kaplan.

Substitute Motion: Councilman, Renfrow, Second: Councilman Johnson Unanimously carried to revise the requirements for the Deputy Clerk position as follows: remove items #6 & 12, correct the typo of violent in item #13, change item #9 to within 3 years of employment and change item #10 to within 2 years of employment.

Item #8

Motion: Councilman Gary, Second: Councilman Campbell

Unanimously carried to approve the promotion of Ashley Milton to Deputy Clerk with a 5% pay increase, effective March 23, 2023.

Item #9

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilman Renfrow

Unanimously carried to approve the starting pay of \$10.00 per hour for all part-time workers. This will also increase all current part-time workers to a minimum of \$10.00 per hour.

Item #10

Motion: Councilman Campbell, Second: Councilman Johnson

Unanimously carried to ratify the re-appointment of Jan Mayard to the Kaplan Civil Service Board, effective, May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2028

Item #11

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second: Councilman Campbell

Unanimously carried to approve the issuing of the following Alcohol License renewals:

#	Business Name:	Address:
1.	LOUISIANA CVS PHARMACY, LLC	100 S. CUSHING AVE
2.	OL' COUNTRY	10111 LA HWY 13
3.	Sue's Saddle Up, LLC	916 W. Veterans Mem Dr.
4.	A LA DECOR', LLC	209 N. Cushing Ave
5.	Larry's Super Foods	1313 W. Veterans Mem Dr.
6.	Spoonbill Ventures, LLC dba Food N Fun # 19	118 E. Veterans Mem Dr.
7.	Dollar General #3176	1403 W. Veterans Mem Dr.
8.	American Legion Post 271	1504 American Legion Rd.
9.	Silver Mart, LLC dba KAPLAN EXPRESS	507 W. Veterans Mem Dr.
10.	Silver Stop, LLC dba Nick's Food Mart	1301 W. Veterans Mem Dr.
11.	Silver Stores, LLC dba Kaplan Quick Stop	501 E. Veterans Mem Dr.
12.	SSVP, LLC (Kaplan Food Mart)	801 E. Veterans Mem Dr.
13.	PINCHERS, LLC	901 E. Veterans Mem Dr.
14.	Mickey's Drive Inn, LLC	706 E. Veterans Mem Dr.
15.	Home Association	1007 N. Lejeune Ave
16.	ALMELBET INC dba Lyons Market	608 E. Veterans Mem Dr.
17.	SpeakEasy Lounge	701 N. Guidry Ave
18.	B's Wild Wings	303 N. Cushing Ave
19.	Daiquiri Diva's Kaplan, LLC	205 W. Veterans Mem Dr.

Mayor Kloesel and council gave announcements.

Motion: Councilman Johnson, Second Councilman Campbell Unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

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

/s/ Mike Kloesel
MIKE KLOESEL, MAYOR