

## **MINUTES**

### **CITY OF NEW ROADS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

**April 16, 2019**

**The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Cornell Dukes called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:**

**PRESENT: Vernell Davis, Kurt Kellerman, Joy Nelson, Theron Smith and Kirk White**

**ABSENT: None**

**Notice of this meeting was duly exercised and mailed per bylaws:**

#### **Agenda Amendment(s)**

**Mayor Dukes proposed the following amendment(s) to the agenda.**

**Item #8A - Discussion of CEA between the city and P.C. Council on Aging**

**Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Smith.**

**RESOLVED, That the agenda be amended.**

**A roll call vote resulted as follows:**

**YEAS: Davis, Kellerman, Nelson, Smith & White**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.**

#### **Adoption of Minutes of Meeting of April 2, 2019**

**The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of April 2, 2019 were submitted for approval.**

**The reading of the minutes was waived.**

**Motion by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Kellerman.**

**RESOLVED, That the minutes be adopted with the following changes.**

**Mr. White reported a vacancy on the Airport Commission and stated that the airport should re-open this month.**

**Mr. White requested a contract between the city and Faulk & Winkler and a list of all pending litigation.**

**The motion was unanimously carried.**

### **Engineer's Report**

Thomas Olinde reported that the proposals for the Major Parkway Lift Station project should be received in two weeks.

### **Resolution – To support the preparation and submittal of an application for funding through the Louisiana Office of Tourism's Competitive Grant Program**

A resolution to support the preparation and submittal of an application for funding through the Louisiana Office of Tourism's Competitive Grant Program was submitted for adoption.

Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. White.

RESOLVED, That the resolution be adopted.

### **Discussion on the naming of the baseball field at Emmitt J. Douglas Park (V. Davis)**

Mr. Davis stated that he has been approached by several people regarding the naming of the baseball field at Emmitt J. Douglas Park. As a result, he presented a list of names of individuals that he feels the park should also be named after.

After a discussion, Mr. Davis motioned that the names he submitted be combined with that of Mr. St. Cyr in the naming of the field.

Due to lack of a second, the motion failed.

Motion by Ms. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Kellerman.

RESOLVED That the name of the field remain as is.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That a plaque be installed to honor the names of major contributors to the development and success of Emmitt Douglas Park.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the city place an advertisement soliciting the names of other contributors to the development and success of Emmitt Douglas Park.

The motion unanimously carried.

### **Discussion of CEA between the city and P.C. Council on Aging**

Mayor Dukes presented a cooperative endeavor agreement between the city and the P.C. Council on Aging. The agreement will allow the council on aging free use of the civic center for operation of its programs.

After some discussion, the following motion was offered.

Motion by Ms. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Davis to continue to allow the P.C. Council on Aging to receive free rental.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Davis, Nelson  
NAYS: Kellerman, Smith & White  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

On a vote of 2-3-0-0, the motion failed.

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Dukes reported that council photographs will be taken at the next meeting and wished everyone a Happy Easter.

### **Committee Reports**

Mr. White stated that there is a vacancy on the Airport Commission and welcomed recommendations for a replacement.

### **Council Reports**

Mr. Kellerman requested that the windows at the top of the oil mill be replaced and the floor tile at the civic center be repaired.

Mr. Nelson reported that Emmitt Douglas Park is locked in the morning preventing access to the walking trail.

Mr. Kellerman commended the organizers of the Market at the Mill event.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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**Cornell Dukes**  
**Mayor**

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**Lynette H. Nelson**  
**Secretary-Treasurer**