

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 16, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.

Vinton Town Hall | 1200 Horridge Street

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Public Meeting of the Town of Vinton was called to order by Mayor Bahnsen at 6:00 P.M.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was led by Mayor Bahnsen, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members, Conner, Starring, Loyd, and Stanley.

Absent: Council Member Wright

Also Present: Department Heads Brandi Patin, Municipal Clerk; Chris Vice, Fire Chief; Scott Spell, Chief of Police & Jared Watson Town Attorney

Total Payroll for November 2025 (153) \$173,406.36 (152) \$9,684.41

Total Bills for November 2025 \$242,323.62

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments signed up to speak on agenda items. NONE

MAYORAL ITEMS

Mayor Bahnsen

- **Aclara Presentation**

Representatives from Aclara provided a presentation regarding the Rare Earths Separation Facility. No action was taken.

- **Approval of November 2025 Minutes**

A motion was made by Council Member Loyd and seconded by Council Member Stanley to approve the minutes of the November 2025 meeting.
Motion carried.

- **Approval of Bills – November 2025**

A motion was made by Council Member Starring and seconded by Council Member

Loyd to approve and pay the bills for November 2025.

Motion carried.

- **Approval of 2026 Holidays**

A motion was made by Council Member Stanley and seconded by Council Member Loyd to approve the Town's 2026 holiday schedule.

Motion carried.

- **Mardi Gras Holiday**

A motion was made by Council Member Stanley and seconded by Council Member Loyd to approve observing Mardi Gras as an official holiday for the Town of Vinton.

Motion carried. Will introduce for adding to the Ordinance in Jan meeting.

- **Beer and Liquor Licenses**

A motion was made by Council Member Stanley and seconded by Council Member Conner to approve the Beer and Liquor License applications as presented.

Motion carried.

- **Crystal Simon and Guest – Lawrence Breaux Road**

Ms. Crystal Simon addressed the Council regarding concerns on Lawrence Breaux Road. Jared Watson Town of Vinton's attorney will gather some information on the road and get with Ms. Simon.

- **Jeff R. Powell – 905 Vincent Street**

Mr. Jeff R. Powell requested approval for a townhouse at 905 Vincent Street. Council advised Mr. Powell that he will need a multi-dwelling variance and the lot size for the setback variance. Council Member Loyd made a motion to approve and was seconded by Stanley and carried. Mr. Powell will follow up with the council on the updated drawings.

REPORTS

1. **Public Works Report** – Director Terry Vice presented the Public Works report.
2. **Fire & Civil Defense Report** – Fire Chief Chris Vice presented the Fire and Civil Defense report.
3. **Police Report** – Police Chief Scott Spell presented the Police report.
4. **Attorney Report** – Town Attorney Jared Watson presented his report.

REMINDERS

- Please do not blow grass clippings onto roads or into storm drains.
- Trash cans must be removed from the street within 24 hours of pickup.
- *DeQuincy News* is available for purchase at Vinton City Hall and Breaux's Pharmacy for \$0.50.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Council Member Starring and seconded by Council Member Loyd to adjourn the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

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Brandi Patin, City Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Bonnie Jo Bahnsen", written over a horizontal line.

Bonnie Jo Bahnsen, Mayor