

TOWN OF VINTON
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, July 21, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

1, Call Meeting to Order

2. Invocation and Prayer

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call Vote : Conner, Starring, Loyd, Stanley, Wright

5. Public Comment

Amended items to the Agenda:

Item 13 – Road and Drainage Trust Fund Application. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Road and Drainage Trust Fund Application. Roll Call Vote: All members voted Motion carried.

Item 14 – Discussion of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement. Discussion was held regarding the proposed Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury (CPPJ), the Town of Vinton (TOV), and the Port of Vinton. Roll Call Vote: All members voted Motion carried. No action was taken.

Item 15 – 2026 Calcasieu Parish Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan A motion was made and seconded to adopt the 2026 Calcasieu Parish Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Roll Call Vote: All members voted. Motion carried.

Item 18 – Recognition of Jason Tharpe. Chief Spell recognized Jason Tharpe for his life-saving actions and presented him with a Life Saving Award. All members voted. Motion carried

Bills for June 2026 \$ 249,921.02 June 2026 Pay Roll \$ 190,261.61

6. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Council Member Loyd, seconded by Council Member Starring, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 16, 2026. **Motion carried**

7. Approval of Payment Bills – June 2026

A motion was made by Council Member Starring, seconded by Council Member Wright, to approve payment of the June 2026 bills. **Motion carried**

8. Development Opportunities – Allen Barker

Mr. Allen Barker addressed the Council regarding development opportunities within the Town of Vinton. No action was taken.

9. Scope of Work / Move Forward– IJCEA with SWLA Regional Planning Commission

The Mayor presented the proposed Scope of Work under the Intergovernmental Joint Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and sign (IJCEA) with the SWLA Regional Planning Commission for the preparation of a comprehensive land use plan and zoning districts.

A motion was made by Council Member Stanley, seconded by Council Member Conner, to approve the Scope of Work and authorize the mayor to execute the Agreement. Motion carried by a vote of. **YEAS:** Conner, Loyd, Stanley, Wright **NAYS:** Starring **ABSENT:** None
Vote passes. Vote to move forward with progress **YEAS:** Conner, Loyd, Stanley, Wright **NAYS:** Starring **ABSENT:** None

10. Introduction of Ordinance No. 2026-533 – Fireworks Ordinance

Mayor Bahnsen introduced Ordinance No. 2026-533, an ordinance adding Section 17-1 relative to fireworks to the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Vinton, providing requirements and restrictions for the sale and use of fireworks. A motion was made by Council Member Stanley, seconded by Council Member Loyd to introduce Ordinance No. 2026-533. Motion carried

11. RESOLUTION NO. 2026-19

Street Overlay Capital Improvement Project (Meyers)

The Council considered a resolution approving the Street Overlay Capital Improvement Project. A motion was made by Council Member Loyd, seconded by Council Member Starring, to adopt. Motion carried YEAS :5 NAYS:0 ABSENT:0

12. Declare Ten Black Chairs as Surplus

The Council considered declaring ten black chairs as surplus property to be disposed of as provided by law. Discussion was had and will be made publication for the public next meeting on August 18th 2026

13. RESOLUTION NO. 2026-20

A resolution for the Town Council authorizing the Town of Vinton to commit to cover all costs in excess of the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury Road and Drainage Trust Fund grant funding, including a minimum of twenty percent (20%) or \$53,800.00 of the total project cost, for the 2026 Drainage Improvements Project. A motion was made by Council Member Conner seconded by Council Member Stanley, to approve the Road & Drainage Trust Fund Application. Motion carried

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT:0

14. Cooperative Endeavor Agreement – CPPJ, Town of Vinton & Port of Vinton

The Council considered and discussed a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury, the Town of Vinton, and the Port of Vinton. No action was taken at this time.

15.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-18

A RESOLUTION APPROVING Calcasieu Parish Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan The Council considered adoption of the 2026 Calcasieu Parish Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. A motion was made by Council Member Loyd seconded by Council Member Wright, to adopt. Motion carried.

YEAS: 5 NAYS:0 ABSENT :0

16. Public Works Report

Mr. Terry Vice was not present at the meeting. Public Works Report was given to all Council.

17. Fire & Civil Defense Report

Chief Chris Vice was not presented but the Fire and Civil Defense Report given to Council.

18. Police Report / Life Saving Presentation

Chief Scott Spell presented the Police Department Report. Jason Tharpe gave a Life Saving Presentation. Chief Spell also updated the Council on Code Enforcement for the town.

19. Attorney Report/Updates

Town Attorney Jared Watson presented legal updates were given to the town.

20. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Council Member Stanley, seconded by Council Member Wright, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried



BONNIE JO BAHNSEN, Mayor

ATTEST:



BRANDI PATIN, Town of Vinton Clerk