The Mayor and Council of the Town of Vinton, Louisiana, met in regular session at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Council, in the Town Hall, Vinton, Louisiana, at 6:00 p.m. on the 19th day of November, 2019, with the following members present:

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor Stephanie Hardy, Council Member William "BB" Loyd, Mayor Pro Tem Paul Patin, Council Member Marcus Renfrow, Council Member

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Cade R. Cole, Town Attorney

The following Reports were submitted:

Total Payroll for October, 2019	\$ 193,741.63
Total Receipts for October, 2019	\$ 1,356,021.84
Total Disbursements for October, 2019	\$ 1,373,094.73
Total Bills for October, 2019	\$ 607,065.98

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor called the meeting to order and Pastor Rick Watson led in prayer, and then followed the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Stinson presented a Proclamation to the 9-10 year old Little League Football Team in honor of their championship season.

It was moved by Council Member Loyd that the minutes of prior meetings, copies of which were mailed to each council member prior to the meeting, be approved as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hardy and carried.

Mary Vice, City Clerk gave the monthly Administration Department report.

Bills for the month of October, 2019, were approved and payment authorized upon a motion by Council Member Hardy, seconded by Council Member Loyd and carried.

Mayor Stinson updated the governing authority on pending grants and projects.

Mayor Stinson announced that due to the resignation of Council Member Vice there is now a vacancy on the Council. Pursuant to La. R.S. 18:583(D)(1) and La. R.S. 18:1602, the governing authority shall within 20 days of the office becoming vacant make an appointment to fill the vacancy.

Resolution

A RESOLUTION TO FILL THE VACANCY OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE TOWN OF VINTON, CALCASIEU PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA

WHEREAS, Councilman Patrick Vice has submitted his resignation as Vinton Town Council Member for the 2017-2021 term, effective as of November 8, 2019.

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WHEREAS, his resignation has caused a vacancy in the office and a special election is not required to fill the unexpired term of office pursuant to R.S.18:602(E)(4); and

WHEREAS, the Town Council as governing authority of the Town of Vinton, Calcasieu Parish, State of Louisiana, is given the authority and responsibility under the provisions of La. R.S. 18:602 to fill the vacancy with any person who meets the qualifications for the office to serve the remainder of the unexpired term.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND DULY PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF VINTON, as governing authority of the Town of Vinton, that it does hereby appoint DIANE CONNER to fill the aforesaid vacancy for the remainder of the present term, said appointee possessing all legal qualifications for said office.

APPPROVED AND ADOPTED on the 19TH day of November, 2019 at Vinton Louisiana in the regularly called meeting of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Vinton, with the following roll call:

__4__ YEAS (COUNCIL MEMBERS: HARDY, LLOYD, PATIN, RENFROW __0__ NAYS __0__ ABSENT

CERTIFICATION

I MARY VICE, CLERK OF THE TOWN OF VINTON, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is an exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Town of Vinton at their meeting held on November 19, 2019, duly noticed, and at which a quorum was present and acting.

Mary O. Vice, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor of the Town of Vinton on this 19th day of November, 2019.

KENNETH O. STINSON MAYOR

Mayor Stinson reported that due to the expiring term of Jerry Merchant on the Vinton Harbor & Terminal Board that the council would need to submit two nominations to the board to the board for their consideration.

It was moved by Council Member Patin and seconded by Council Member Loyd that the following two names be submitted to the Vinton Harbor & Terminal Board for the expiring term of Jerry Merchant:

Jerry Merchant Rick Watson

Motion carried.

Mayor Stinson reported that due to the expiring term of Mike O'Quinn on the West Calcasieu Parish Community Center Authority that the council would need to make an appointment for the new term.

It was moved by Council Member Patin that Mike O'Quinn be re-appointed to the West Calcasieu Parish Community Center Authority. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hardy and carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Town of Vinton is in need of funding for Sewer System Improvements,

WHEREAS grants for Sewer System Improvements are available through the Louisiana Division of Administration, Office of Community Development, Local Government Assistance Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Vinton that:

Section 1. The Town of Vinton hereby supports the application for grant funds for the needed improvements; and further, Kenneth Stinson, Mayor of the Town of Vinton, is hereby authorized to submit a Grant Application and accompanying documents to the Louisiana Division of Administration, Office of Community Development on behalf of the Town of Vinton; and

Section 2. Mayor Kenneth Stinson is further authorized to furnish such additional information as may reasonably be required in connection with the Grant Application; and,

Section 3. Mayor Kenneth Stinson is hereby designated as the Official Project Representative and is hereby given signature authority for all relative documents for the Town of Vinton for any funding that may result from the submission of the Grant Application and accompanying documents. Furthermore, Mayor Kenneth Stinson, representing the Town of Vinton is hereby given the power and authority to do all things necessary to implement, maintain, amend, and renew such documents relative to any such funding.

A MOTION TO ADOPT the above resolution was made by Council Member Loyd, seconded by Council Member Patin and resulted in the following vote:

YEAS: Council Members Hardy, Loyd, Patin and Renfrow NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINING: None

CERTIFICATE

We the undersigned do certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting held on the 19th day of November, 2019, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary O. Vice, City Clerk

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Town of Vinton is in need of funding for Water System Improvements,

WHEREAS grants for Water System Improvements are available through the Louisiana Division of Administration, Office of Community Development, Community Water Enrichment Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Vinton that:

Section 1. The Town of Vinton hereby supports the application for grant funds for the needed improvements; and further, Kenneth Stinson, Mayor of the Town of Vinton, is hereby authorized to submit a Grant Application and accompanying documents to the Louisiana Division of Administration, Office of Community Development on behalf of the Town of Vinton; and

Section 2. Mayor Kenneth Stinson is further authorized to furnish such additional information as may reasonably be required in connection with the Grant Application; and,

Section 3. Mayor Kenneth Stinson is hereby designated as the Official Project Representative and is hereby given signature authority for all relative documents for the Town of Vinton for any funding that may result from the submission of the Grant Application and accompanying documents. Furthermore, Mayor Kenneth Stinson, representing the Town of Vinton is hereby given the power and authority to do all things necessary to implement, maintain, amend, and renew such documents relative to any such funding.

A MOTION TO ADOPT the above resolution was made by Council Member Renfrow, seconded by Council Member Loyd and resulted in the following vote:

YEAS: Council Members Hardy, Loyd, Patin and Renfrow NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINING: None

CERTIFICATE

We the undersigned do certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting held on the 19th day of November, 2019, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary O. Vice, City Clerk

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Council Member Patin discussed the piles of limbs being left in front of houses by the garbage company.

Chief Ricky Fox gave the monthly Police Department report.

Upon the recommendation of the Chief, it was moved by Council Member Loyd that Darcy Lavergne be hired as a part-time dispatcher. The motion was seconded by Council Member Renfrow and carried.

Terry Vice, Director of Public Works gave the monthly Public Works and Electrical Department

reports.

In the absence of Fire Chief Chris Vice a written report was submitted for the Fire and Civil Defense departments.

There being no further business to come before the governing authority, it was moved by Council Member Loyd that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Council Member Renfrow and carried.

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary O. Vice, City Clerk