

Vinton, Louisiana
September 2, 2020

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Vinton, Louisiana, met in Emergency Session at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Council, in the Town Hall, Vinton, Louisiana, at 5:00 P.M., on the 2nd day of September, 2020, after full compliance with all requirements as to notice and otherwise in respect to convening of said meeting with the following members present:

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor
Diane Conner, Council Member
Stephanie Hardy, Council Member
William "BB" Loyd, Mayor Pro Tem (Arrived late, approx.. 6:00PM)
Marcus Renfrow, Council Member

ABSENT: Paul Patin, Council Member

ALSO PRESENT: None

Kenneth Stinson, Mayor called the meeting to order and reported that the purpose of the meeting was as follows:

1. **To discuss and/or transact business pertinent to Hurricane Laura Notice of Public Emergency.**

It was moved by Council Member Loyd that the following Notice of Public Emergency be adopted. The motion was seconded by Council Member Renfrow and the vote cast thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Conner, Hardy, Loyd and Renfrow

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Member Patin

NOTICE OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY

In order to provide all citizens of Vinton with required police and fire protection, safe ingress and egress on City streets, water quality and production, and wastewater collection and treatment, the City will need to take appropriate actions to provide these services, which have been limited, as a result of Hurricane Laura. To do this, will require the declaration of a public emergency.

Louisiana Public Bid Law provides in R.S. 38:2212, that all public work including labor, materials and all purchases of materials or supplies exceeding the sum of \$30,000 must be advertised and bid with an exception as stated in R.S. 38:2212 P (1)(a). This section of the law, shall not apply in cases of public emergency where such emergency has been certified to by the public entity and notice shall, within ten days thereof, be published in the official journal of the public entity proposing or declaring such public emergency.

The cost for restoring basic Town services, which were interrupted by Hurricane Laura, is not known at this time, but is expected to be significant (and to exceed \$500,000). The Town will

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make every effort to secure reimbursement from FEMA for any and all funds expended. Therefore, a public emergency is hereby declared by Mayor Kenneth O. Stinson as of August 24, 2020, necessitating required purchases and services for the restoration of basic Town services, without the normal formalities. Signed this 24th day of August, 2020.

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor

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 Hardy and carried.

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary O. Vice, City Clerk