

VINTON, LA
October 20, 2020

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 20th day of September, 2020, with the following members present:

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor
Diane Conner, Council Member
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 September, 2020	\$ 235,229.20
Total Receipts for September, 2020	\$ 1,143,001.70
Total Disbursements for September, 2020	\$ 1,557,050.15
Total Bills for September, 2020	\$ 822,633.65

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

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 September, 2020, were approved and payment authorized upon a motion by Council Member Patin seconded by Council Member Loyd and carried.

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

It was moved by Council Member Loyd that the following Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hardy and the vote cast thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Conner, Hardy, Loyd, Patin and Renfrow

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Transportation will provide for the installation of roadway lighting on Exit 8, I-10 and LA 108 and,

WHEREAS, prior to installation of said lighting system, the Town of Vinton must enter into an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation which obligates the City to pay 10%

of the construction cost, and take ownership of, and assume all legal liability for, the lighting system and all maintenance, operation, and energy cost, of said system; and

WHEREAS, in order to proceed with the design of said roadway lighting system, the Department of Transportation and Development requires that the governing authority authorize the Mayor to execute the subject agreement on behalf of the City.

BE IT RESOLVED by Governing Authority of the Town of Vinton, Louisiana, that Mayor Kenneth O. Stinson is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Town of Vinton, an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development which obligates the City to pay 10% of the construction cost, take ownership of, and assume all legal liability for, the lighting system and all maintenance, operation, and energy cost, of the said system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any portion or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary O. Vice, City Clerk

It was moved by Council Member Loyd that the following Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hardy and the vote cast thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Conner, Hardy, Loyd, Patin and Renfrow

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Transportation will provide for the installation of roadway lighting on Exit 7, I-10 and Hwy 3063 and,

WHEREAS, prior to installation of said lighting system, the Town of Vinton must enter into an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation which obligates the City to pay 10% of the construction cost, and take ownership of, and assume all legal liability for, the lighting system and all maintenance, operation, and energy cost, of said system; and

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Kenneth O. Stinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary O. Vice, City Clerk

Cade Cole, Town Attorney reviewed the proposed Amendment to the Salary Ordinance with the governing authority.

It was moved by Council Member Loyd that the regular meeting be recessed for a Public Hearing On the proposed Salary Ordinance Amendment. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hardy and carried.

There being no input from the public present, it was moved by Council Member Renfrow that the regular meeting be reconvened the motion was seconded by Council Member Patin and carried.

It was moved by Council Member Conner that the following Ordinance be adopted. The motion was seconded by Council Member Loyd and the vote cast thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Conner, Hardy, Loyd, Patin and Renfrow

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR FIXING THE SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICIALS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Vinton, as governing authority thereof, that:

Section 1. Effective July 1, 2021, salaries for town officials shall be set as follows, to wit:

- 1) The Mayor of the Town of Vinton shall receive a salary of three thousand two hundred dollars per month (\$3,200).
- 2) The Town Clerk of the Town of Vinton shall receive a salary of three thousand two hundred dollars per month (\$3,200).

- 3) The Chief of Police of the Town of Vinton shall receive a salary paid by the Town of three thousand five hundred dollars per month (\$3,500).
- 4) The Council Members of the Town of Vinton shall receive a salary paid by the Town of three hundred and fifty dollars per month (\$350).

Section 2. These officials shall be entitled to other benefits of employment in accordance with applicable law and policies of the Town of Vinton. Nothing in this Section shall restrict these officials from receipt of reimbursement for expenses occurred in performance of their duties, which shall remain limited by applicable polices of the Town of Vinton.

Section 3. The salaries set in Section 1 may be increased only by Ordinance, including by adoption of relevant raises in the Ordinance adopting the Town's annual budget.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any ordinance in conflict herewith is repealed effective July 1, 2021.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council as governing authority of the Town of Vinton on this 20th day of October, 2020.

Mary O. Vice, City Clerk

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance has been presented to the Mayor this 20th day of October, 2020.

The foregoing Ordinance is hereby approved and returned to the Town Clerk this 21st day of October, 2020.

City Clerk

Mayor

Chief Ricky Fox gave the monthly Police Department report.

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

Chief Chris Vice gave the monthly Fire and Civil Defense reports.

Mr. Cecile White, Jr., requested an exception to the Travel Trailer Ordinance allowing him to live in a travel trailer at 1007 Hwy 90, while he works on getting a metal/portable building set up as his new residence. 1007 Hwy 90 was donated to Mr. White by his mother but is not yet in his name.

It was moved by Council Member Loyd to allow Mr. White an exception to the Travel Trailer Ordinance, allowing him to have electricity connected and reside in a travel trailer at 1007 Hwy 90 for 30 days to allow him time to have the property put legally in his name. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hardy and carried.

Mr. Nathan Godeaux requested an exception to the Mobile Home Ordinance to allow a mobile home over 10 years of age at 303 Kenneth Street.

After discussion, it was moved by Council Member Loyd that upon the approval of the Parish Inspector that Mr. Godeaux be granted an exception to the Mobile Home Ordinance that allows him to place a mobile home over 10 years of age at 303 Kenneth Street. The motion was seconded by Council Member Patin and carried.

Mr. Anthony Laughlin requested an exception to the Mobile Home Ordinance to allow his daughter/son-in-law to place a new mobile home on his property at 123 Tim Street. (The property is several acres but not sub-divided)

It was moved by Council Member Patin to allow Mr. Laughlin an exception to the Mobile Home Ordinance to place a new mobile home at 123 Tim Street for his daughter/son-in-law to reside. The motion was seconded by Council Member Loyd and carried.

Mr. Vernon Broussard requested an exception to the Travel Trailer Ordinance to allow for 10 travel trailers at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses – 307 East St. for volunteers to stay in while helping in hurricane recovery efforts for their members.

It was moved by Council Member Loyd to allow an exception at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses – 307 East St., to allow 10 travel trailers for volunteers to stay in while assisting members with hurricane recovery efforts. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hardy and carried.

There being no further business to come before the governing authority, it was moved by Council Member Patin 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