

**VINTON, LA**  
**Sept 19, 2023**

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Vinton, Louisiana, met in regular meeting place of, City Hall 1200 Horridge St, Vinton, Louisiana, at 6:00 p.m. on the 19th day of September, with the following members present:

Marcus E. Renfrow, Mayor

Diane Conner, Mayor Pro Tem  
Stephanie Hardy, Council Member  
William "BB" Loyd, Council Member

Also Present: Cade Cole, Attorney

Absent: Lindsey Stanley, Council Member

The following Reports were submitted:

Total Payroll for August 2023 - \$143,028.16

Total Bills for August 2023 - \$ 183,112.09

Marcus E. Renfrow, Mayor called the meeting to order also led in prayer. Then followed the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Debbie McBride, Clerk Court gave the administrative report.

Bills for the month of August 2023 were approved and payment will be made upon a motion by Council Member Conner, seconded by Council Member Wright and carried.

Mayor Renfrow then updated the governing authority on pending grants and projects.

It was moved by Council Member Conner that the proposed 2023-2024 budget be accepted, and the motion was seconded by Council Member Wright and carried.

Mayor Renfrow advised the council that the 2022 – 2023 budget needed to be amended as presented. A motion was made by Council Member Wright to accept the amended budget seconded by Council Member Conner and carried.

Mayor Renfrow advised the Council of the need to nominate two (2) individuals to represent the Town of Vinton on the Vinton Harbor & Terminal Board. The council then proceeded to nominate Alex Morrow and Rick Watson. A motion was made by Council Member Diane Conner to accept the nominations. The motion was seconded by council member Wright and carried. Mr. Morrow has expressed his wishes to continue to serve on the board.

Chief of Police Scott Spell gave his monthly police report and stated that the CEA for VES and VMS needed to be signed to hire the SRO. Council Member Wright made a motion to give Mayor Renfrow authority to proceed in signing the CEA. Council Member Conner seconded the motion and motion carried. Chief Spell also requested to hire Angelique Castille as a full-time officer. Council Member Wright made a motion with a second by Council Member Conner and motion carried.

Terry Vice gave his monthly report, and a copy was given to each council member.

Chief Chris Vice with the Fire Department gave the monthly report.

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

Reconsideration was given to reconvene the regular meeting. Council Member Hardy made a motion to go back into the regular meeting seconded by council Member Conner and motion carried.

It was moved by Council Member Loyd that the regular meeting be recessed for a public hearing regarding the new budget. Motion was seconded by Council Member Hardy and carried.

There being no input from the public, it was moved by Council Member Hardy that the meeting be reconvened. The motion was seconded by Council Member Loyd and carried.

#### **2023-2024 Operating Budget Summary**

The following is a summary of the proposed budget for the year Oct 1, 2023 thru September 2024

<b>Estimated Beginning Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$10,126,378.00</b>
Total Revenues	\$8,834,470.00
Total Expenditures	\$7,435,276.00
<b>Transfers and Loans</b>	<b>(\$94,050.00)</b>
Estimated ending fund Balance	\$11,131,522.00

**Tuesday September 19, 2023  
6Pm**

Motion was made by Council Member Hardy seconded by Council Member Conner to accept the 2023-2024 budget as presented and motion carried.

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

  
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Marcus E. Renfrow, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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Debbie McBride, Clerk of Court