

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN
IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON JULY 5, 2016.**

The Minden City Council met at City Hall, Minden, Louisiana, beginning at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Tommy Davis, Wayne Edwards, Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert, Vincen Bradford, Mike Toland and Benny Gray. Absent: None.

The meeting was opened with prayer offered by Wayne Edwards and Mayor Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Tommy Davis welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The meeting began with a Public Hearing on the proposed Minden Economic Development Districts. Attorney David Wolf addressed the council and audience explaining the benefits of creating Economic Development Districts in the city of Minden. An invitation was extended to the audience for comments and/or questions on the proposed districts. After a brief question and answer period and with no more comments offered from the audience, Mayor Davis declared the Public Hearing closed and the Regular Session convened.

Upon motion by Benny Gray and duly seconded by Mike Toland, the council unanimously adopted the minutes of Council Regular Session held on June 6, 2016, and Council Special Sessions held on June 14, 2016, as presented.

Becky White, Downtown Development Director, presented a report on recent Main Street Program projects.

Upon the recommendation of Police Chief Steve Cropper, Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert moved to approve the promotion of Officer First Class Kenneth James to the rank of Sergeant. The motion was duly seconded by Benny Gray and carried unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of Mayor Tommy Davis, Benny Gray moved to re-appoint Mr. Steve Bryan to the Minden Planning Commission, whose term will expire on July, 2021. The motion was duly seconded by Mike Toland and carried unanimously.

Upon motion by Wayne Edwards and duly seconded by Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1070 creating the Minden Economic Development District No. 1, as presented.

Upon motion by Wayne Edwards and duly seconded by Vincen Bradford, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1071 creating the Minden Economic Development District No. 2, as presented.

Upon motion by Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert and duly seconded by Vincen Bradford, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1072 creating the Minden Economic Development District No. 3, as presented.

Upon motion by Wayne Edwards and duly seconded by Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1073 creating the Minden Economic Development District No. 4, as presented.

Mike Toland moved to adopt a Resolution Declaring Certain City of Minden Property as Surplus and Fixing the Terms of Sale, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Benny Gray and carried unanimously. Surplus property described as used water meters. Said resolution is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Police Report for June of 2016 was unanimously approved, as presented, by motion of Mike Toland and duly seconded by Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert.

Public comments were heard, council comments were heard, and the meeting was adjourned.

Tommy Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael Fluhr, City Clerk