

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN
IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON JANUARY 8, 2024**

The Minden City Council met at City Hall in Minden, Louisiana, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Nick Cox, Carlton Myles, Levon Thomas, Latasha Mitchell, Michael Roy, and Andy Pendergrass. Absence(s): None. Mayor Cox welcomed everyone to the meeting. Prayer was offered by Andy Pendergrass and Carlton Myles led the Pledge of Allegiance. It is noted for the record that Mayor Cox allowed both council and public comments prior to every vote.

Carlton Myles moved to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session held on December 4, 2023, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Levon Thomas and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Michael Roy moved to elect Andy Pendergrass, Council Representative for District E, as Mayor Pro Tempore for the year 2024. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell and the vote was as follows: Aye(s): Carlton Myles, Levon Thomas, Latasha Mitchell, and Michael Roy. Nay(s): None. Abstention(s): Andy Pendergrass. Absence(s): None. The motion carried.

Carlton Myles moved to appoint Melaney Langford as City Clerk for the City of Minden for the three-year term of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Andy Pendergrass and duly seconded by Michael Roy, the council unanimously appointed Tommy Davis to the Minden Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Michael Roy moved to adopt a Resolution Authorizing Andy Pendergrass as Mayor Pro Tempore and Elizabeth Campbell as Assistant City Clerk to Sign Checks Drawn by this Municipal Corporation on Any Financial Institution in Custody of City of Minden Funds, Effective Upon Adoption, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Carlton Myles and the vote was as unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Carlton Myles moved to adopt a Resolution Authorizing Signatory Power for Certain City of Minden Personnel, as presented. This resolution would grant City Clerk

Melaney Langford a City of Minden credit card. The motion was duly seconded by Levon Thomas and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Latasha Mitchell and duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass, the council unanimously adopted a Resolution Adopting a Language Access Plan (LAP) for Limited English Proficiency Persons as Required to Receive LCDBG and Any Other Federal Funding, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell, the council unanimously approved the promotion of Minden Police Sergeant Michael Shawn Griffith to the rank of Police Lieutenant, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Andy Pendergrass moved to approve the final plat for the lot split of property belonging to Douglas Culpepper that faces Ryan's Way, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Levon Thomas and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell, the council unanimously approved the final plat for the lot split of property belonging to Kyndall Hawkins that faces Park Highway, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

City Clerk Melaney Langford presented the Budget/Financial Report for the month of November 2023. No motion was required.

Fire Chief Brian Williams presented the Fire Report for the month of December 2023. No motion was required.

The Police Report for the month of November 2023 was unanimously accepted, as presented, by motion of Latasha Mitchell and second by Carlton Myles. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Announcements and council comments were heard. The meeting was then adjourned.

Nick Cox, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melaney Langford, City Clerk