

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN
IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON DECEMBER 2, 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 Michael Roy and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Andy Pendergrass. It is noted for the record that Mayor Cox allowed both council and public comments prior to every vote.

Michael Roy moved to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session held on November 4, 2024, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Latasha Mitchell moved to adopt a Resolution to Amend the City of Minden 2023-2024 Budget, 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 Levon Thomas and duly seconded by Carlton Myles, the council unanimously adopted a Resolution to Amend the City of Minden 2024-2025 Budget, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Andy Pendergrass moved to adopt a Resolution Adopting the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the Audit Period of 10/01/2023 – 09/30/2024, 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 Carlton Myles and duly seconded by Michael Roy, the council unanimously adopted a Resolution Authorizing Mayor Cox to Be Designated and Given Full Authority on Behalf of the City of Minden to Execute and Submit Any and All Documents Pertaining to the DRA Fiscal Year 2024 Grant and Guarantee that the City of Minden Provides Matching Funds, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Andy Pendergrass and duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell, the council voted unanimously to table a Resolution Authorizing Nicholas A. Cox, Mayor of the City of Minden, Louisiana, to Execute a Dedication of a Public Street by Richard Kevin Sanders for further review. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Michael Roy moved to award Bid No. 04-2025 – Aerial Bucket Truck to the lowest qualified bidder meeting all requirements, Altec Industries, Inc. The motion was duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Andy Pendergrass moved to adopt a Resolution Regarding a Lease Purchase Agreement for the Purpose of Financing an Aerial Bucket Truck, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Carlton Myles and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Carlton Myles and duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1148 – An Ordinance to Adjust the Salaries of Certain Elected Officials Starting in 2027, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1149 – An Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the Code of Ordinances, City of Minden, State of Louisiana, Chapter 2, Administration: Article III, Officers, Division 5., Part-Time Fire Chief; Part-Time Assistant Fire Chief; Part-Time Minden District Fire Chiefs, Section 2-117. – Appointment, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Latasha Mitchell moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1150 – An Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the Code of Ordinances, City of Minden, State of Louisiana, Chapter 34, Criminal Code: Article II, Offenses Affecting Governmental Functions: Section 34-54. – Fire Hydrants; Tampering with, Operating, Obstructing, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Carlton Myles and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Levon Thomas, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1151 – An Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the Code of Ordinances, City of Minden, State of Louisiana, Chapter 42, Fire Prevention and Protection: Article II, Fire Department: Section 42-34. – Private Water Sources, Section 42-35. – Access Box System, Section 42-36. – Security Gates and Limited Access Gates; Article III, Fire Prevention Code: Section 42-61. – Code Adopted, Section 42-69. –

Outdoor Burning, Section 42-70. – Fire Alarm Systems, Section 42-71. – Fireworks, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Latasha Mitchell and duly seconded by Levon Thomas, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1152 – An Ordinance to Authorize an Act of Sale by the City of Minden to Sell Certain Adjudicated Properties (Parcels 110359 & 113906) by Public Auction; and, Further Providing with Respect Thereto, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Andy Pendergrass moved to authorize Mayor Cox to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services between the City of Minden and Atlas Community Studios, LLC, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Carlton Myles and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

City Clerk Melaney Langford presented the Budget/Financial Report for the month of October 2024. No motion was required.

Upon motion by Carlton Myles and duly seconded by Michael Roy, the council unanimously approved the Annual Fire Report for the Year of 2024, as presented.

The Police Report for the month of October 2024 was unanimously accepted, as presented, by motion of Andy Pendergrass and second by Latasha Mitchell. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

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

Nicholas A. Cox, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melaney Langford, City Clerk