

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN  
IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON MAY 5, 2025**

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 the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Carlton Myles. It is noted for the record that Mayor Cox allowed both council and public comments prior to every vote.

Andy Pendergrass moved to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Workshop held on April 7, 2025, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Andy Pendergrass moved to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session held on April 7, 2025, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Michael Roy moved to accept the 2023-2024 audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, as presented by the accounting firm of Allen, Green & Williamson, LLP. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Carlton Myles moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1154 – An Ordinance to Authorize an Act of Sale by the City of Minden to Sell Certain Adjudicated Properties (Parcel 128698); and Further Providing with Respect Thereto, 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 Latasha Mitchell and duly seconded by Michael Roy, the council unanimously adopted a Resolution Declaring Certain City of Minden Property as Surplus and Fixing the Terms of Sale, as presented. This resolution is to surplus vehicles, office equipment, and office furniture. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Carlton Myles moved to adopt a Resolution for Municipal Water Pollution Prevention, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Andy Pendergrass and duly seconded by Levon Thomas, the council unanimously approved the appointment of Kasi Kendrick to the Minden Main Street Program/Downtown Development Commission to fill the vacant term, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell, the council unanimously approved the appointment of Derek Peris to the Minden Downtown/Residential Historic Commission to fill the expired term, as presented.

Carlton Myles moved to approve the re-appointment of Elizabeth Hollingsworth to the Minden Downtown/Residential Historic Commission to fill the expired term, 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 authorized Mayor Cox to execute an Engagement Agreement to retain the services of Michael J. Busada of Butler Snow, LLP to serve as “outside counsel” for the City of Minden under the supervision of the City Attorney, subject to attorney review. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Carlton Myles moved to decommission and level the dilapidated structure located at 1401 Talton Street (Webster Parish Parcel #128874), 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 moved to donate Webster Parish Parcel #128751 (700 Constable Street) to the Webster Parish Police Jury, pending attorney review. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

The following action was taken regarding condemned property:

Trebie T. Calloway, et al.	806 Peach Street
c/o Lizzie M. Lewis	Lot 50 x 100 ft. Out of Lot #8,

With no party representing the property owner present at the time that this item was heard, Carlton Myles moved to authorize Mayor Cox to appoint a curator in this matter. The motion was duly seconded by Levon Thomas and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

The following action was taken regarding condemned property:

Lacy S. Bradford  
407 Lone Oak Lane  
Sibley, Louisiana 71073

700 Sibley Road  
Lot #1, Blk. "2", South Highland  
Addn. & Strip 5 x 51.25 ft. Adj. in  
NW/4 of SW/4, Sec. 27-19-9  
(Formerly an Alley)

With no party representing the property owner present at the time that this item was heard, Carlton Myles moved to authorize Mayor Cox to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 30 days of May 5, 2025. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy 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 March 2025. No motion was required.

Battalion Chief Tony Hall presented the Fire Report for the month of April 2025. No motion was required.

The Police Report for the month of March 2025 was unanimously accepted, as presented, by motion of Andy Pendergrass and second by Carlton Myles. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

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

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Nicholas A. Cox, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Melaney Langford, City Clerk