

**City of Ville Platte**  
**Regular Monthly City Council Meeting**

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**126 E. Main Street, Ville Platte, LA**  
**Minutes for September 8, 2020 held at 5:00 PM**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ville Platte met in a Regular Session in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 126 E. Main St. Ville Platte, LA on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 5:00 PM. The Meeting was conducted through Zoom due to the Coronavirus pandemic and in compliance to the Governor's stay at home orders, the City Council meeting will be held online.

**The Regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Vidrine.**

**ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Jennifer Vidrine, Councilmen Lionel Anderson, Donald Sam and Jerry Joseph, Mike Perron, and City Clerk Shountilez L. Williams, Police Chief Neal Lartigue, Fire Chief Fabian Poullard, Administrative Secretary Hilda Edwards and City Attorney Eric Lafleur, Chief Neal Lartigue

Following the Invocation and Pledge, roll called by Shountilez L. Williams, City Clerk, and announced that a quorum was present. The Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Ville Platte were duly convened as the Governing Authority of the City of Ville Platte.

Absent: Councilman Bryant Riggs and Councilwoman Faye Lemoine

Attending in person: Mayor Jennifer Vidrine, City Clerk Shountilez Williams, Councilmen Mike Perron and Lionel Anderson, Admin. Asst. Hilda Edwards, Fire Chief Neal Lartigue

- **Minutes-Regular Monthly Meeting August 11, 2020**

It was moved by Councilman Perron and seconded by Councilman Sam to approve the Minutes of August the 11, 2020 as presented. All in favor, motion carried

- **Monthly Report for August 2020 (Budget to Actual)**

It was moved by Councilman Perron and seconded by Councilman Sam to approve the Monthly Report for the month of August. All in favor motion carried

Expenses for the month of July were \$147,847.99 and the expenses for the month of August were \$169,894.45 with a difference of 22,046.46 more than the month of July. Some unexpected expenses were Pipe line rental, replaced the copy machine and the air conditioner at the Ville Platte Police dept. Purchase more sand bags for hurricane Laura and had all of the generators inspected.

- **Mayor's Comments:**

1. Mayor Vidrine provided a list to the Council with all of the equipment that was purchased from ACE Hardware and Ville Platte Rental for the different departments.
2. Mayor announced that the City was recently awarded \$170,820.00 by The Energy Efficiency Program from the Louisiana Public Commission. The grant will be used to replace lighting in all of the City's buildings.
3. Mayor Vidrine announced that mosquitos spraying have started.

- **Council Comments:**

**Public Comments on Agenda Items listed (4 minutes each)—**

No public comments

**Agenda Items:**

1. **World Series Champions- Ville Platte Pride Girls**

Mayor Vidrine presented the coaches and girls with certificates for being the World Series Champions for 2020.

2. **Fire Chief Report**

There were 39 calls made in the month of August to the Ville Platte Fire Department, which includes the Fire District, it also included 1 mutual aid and one generator fire.

**Abandoned Property/Blighted/Overgrown Properties**

Resolutions:

Ordinance:

Proclamations

Permits

Reports

**Chief of Police's Report-Neal Lartigue**

There were a total of 316 complaints in the month of August-2020 of which 72 required reports. There were 11 citations issued 36 arrests of which 20 were felony arrest and there were 14 accidents reported.

**City Engineer's Report-Ronnie Landreneau-**

**Mayor's Report:**

**Adjournment**

With there being no other business, Mayor Vidrine called for a motion to adjourn. A motion by Councilman Perron and seconded by Councilwoman Anderson to adjourn.

All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:34

Approved By:

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Jennifer Vidrine, Mayor

Attest By:

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Shountilez L. Williams, City Clerk

Approved 10.13.20