

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN
IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON AUGUST 3, 2026**

The Minden City Council met at City Hall in Minden, Louisiana, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Nicholas A. Cox, District A Councilman Carlton "Buddy" Myles, District B Councilman Levon "Charlie" Thomas, District C Councilwoman Latasha Mitchell, District D Councilman Michael Roy, and District E Councilman Andy Pendergrass. The meeting began with a Public Hearing on the proposed 2026-2027 City of Minden Budget. An invitation was extended for comments and/or questions on the proposed budget. No comments were offered. Mayor Cox declared the Public Hearing closed and the Minden City Council Regular Session convened.

Prayer: Carlton "Buddy" Myles

The prayer was offered by Calton "Buddy" Myles.

Pledge: Levon "Charlie" Thomas

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Levon "Charlie" Thomas.

Call Meeting to Order

Welcome: Mayor Nick Cox

Mayor Cox welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Additions to Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

Public Comments

It is noted for the record that Mayor Cox allowed both council and public comments prior to every vote.

Adoption of Minutes

(1) Adopt Minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session Held on July 8, 2026

Carlton "Buddy" Myles moved to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session held on July 8, 2026, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and the vote was unanimously in favor.

(2) Adopt Minutes of the Minden City Council Workshop Held on July 8, 2026

Andy Pendergrass moved to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Workshop held on July 8, 2026, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Resolutions

(3) Adopt Resolution - Adopting the 2026-2027 City of Minden Budget

Carlton "Buddy" Myles moved to adopt a Resolution Adopting the 2026-2027 City of Minden Budget, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass and the vote was unanimously in favor.

(4) Adopt Resolution - Municipal Water Pollution Prevention

Andy Pendergrass moved to adopt a Resolution for Municipal Water Pollution Prevention, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Ordinances

(5) Adopt Ordinance No. 1171 - An Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the Code of Ordinances, City of Minden, State of Louisiana, Chapter 78 - Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places: Article I, In General: Section 78-3. - Repair and Maintenance of Sidewalks Generally; Interfering with Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage Facilities

Michael Roy moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1171 - An Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the Code of Ordinances, City of Minden, State of Louisiana, Chapter 78 - Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places: Article I, In General: Section 78-3. - Repair and Maintenance of Sidewalks Generally; Interfering with Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage Facilities, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Award Bid

(6) Award Bid No. 05-2026 - Minden 25-26 Street Improvement Program

Carlton "Buddy" Myles moved to award Bid No. 05-2026 - Minden 25-26 Street Improvement Program to the lowest qualified bidder meeting all requirements, Benton & Brown, LLC. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Authority for Mayor Cox to Enter into an Agreement

(7) Authority for Mayor Cox to Enter into a Strategic Advisory Proposal Between the City of Minden and Harris, Deville & Associates, Inc.

Andy Pendergrass moved to authorize Mayor Cox to enter into a Strategic Advisory Proposal between the City of Minden and Harris, Deville & Associates, Inc., subject to attorney review. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Other Business

(8) Opt Into or Out of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness' Temporary Housing and Shelter Assistance Program

Andy Pendergrass moved to opt out of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness' Temporary Housing and Shelter Assistance Program. The motion was duly seconded by Carlton "Buddy" Myles and the vote was unanimously in favor.

(9) Four-Way Stop - Intersection of Lakeshore Drive & Berry Drive

Michael Roy moved to adopt the change to the intersection of Lakeshore Drive and Berry Drive by converting the intersection into a four-way stop, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Carlton "Buddy" Myles and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Reports

(10) Budget/Financial Report for June 2026

City Clerk Melaney Slack presented the Budget/Financial Report for the month of June 2026. No motion was required.

(11) Fire Report for July 2026

Fire Chief Brian Williams presented the Fire Report for the month of July 2026. No motion was required.

(12) Police Report for June 2026

Michael Roy moved to accept the Police Report for the month of June 2026, as

presented. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Adjournment

Mayor Cox recognized the coaches and members of the Minden 9U All-Star Baseball Team for their participation in the 2026 Diamond Youth Baseball 9U Regional World Series and recognized the coaches and members of the Minden 15U All-Star Softball Team for their participation in the 2026 Diamond Youth Softball 15U World Series. Announcements and council comments were heard. The meeting was then adjourned.

Nicholas A. Cox, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melaney Slack, City Clerk