# <u>TOWN OF KENTWOOD</u>

# COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA 6:00 P.M. March 31, 2025

Call to Order	
Prayer	Callihan
Pledge	Diamond
Roll Call	Hall
	Stewart
	Wilkerson

The public is invited to have public input on agenda items, 2 minutes per agenda item, per individual. Must be recognized by chair before speaking. Please mute or turn off all cell phones.

- 1. Approve Minutes of our last regular meeting.
- 2. Financial Reports submitted to Council members.
- 3. Mayor Gordon and Town Officials to recognize Fire Chief Griffith's Dedicated Years of Service and Leadership to the Town of Kentwood Fire Department.
- 4. Timmy Lemoine to discuss the Water Rate Analysis via telephone.
- 5. Michael Sumerford to discuss Employee Benefits and propose ways to save the Town money.
  - a. Consider and possibly approve Mr. Sumerford's proposal.
- 6. Robert Hendricks to give an update on his property.
- 7. Discuss Fire Chief Griffith's term as Fire Chief, ending December 31, 2025.
  - a. Approve Interim Fire Chief to complete Fire Chief Griffith's term through ending December 31, 2025.
- 8. David Higgenbotham's request to bring a tiny home into the Town of Kentwood's City Limits for an office building and get utility services on the Service Road, owned by Walter Travis Estate.
  - a. Consider and approve Mr. Higgenbothams's request to sell storage buildings on this property.
- 9. Approve Chief Kazerooni's recommendation to accept the resignation of Michael Callahan, effective March 7, 2025.
- 10. Open sealed bids for the Nursing Home property.
- 11. Review and discuss the financial records paid out to O&M Management Services, LLC.
- 12. Consider and possibly approve Walter D. King as our new Gas Operator.
- 13. Consider and possibly approve Richard Hebert with R&R Training, to handle the Town's gas paperwork.
- 14. Discuss and give Mayor Gordon authorization to advertise for bids, for the Town of Kentwood's parks.
- 15. Rajesh Sanger, 4-Way owner, to request the Town's abandoned property at 213 Ave E is donated to him and Harmesh Singh, owner of FiveStar, LLC.
  - a. Consider and possibly approve the property donation to 4-Way and FiveStar.
- 16. Mayor Gordon to give updates on the parks Hwy. 51 Park, MLK Park, and Community Center Park.

17. Diamond Crawford to inform everyone of her new business, a mental health clinic, that she plans to bring to Kentwood.

## **Department Updates from Department Heads**

### **Council members' Comments**

- 1.Callihan Signage at City Hall.
- 2. Diamond
- 3. Hall
- 4. Stewart
- 5. Wilkerson Walk Against Violence.

#### Mayor's Notes:

- 1. Tangipahoa Women League of Voters.
  - a. Securing an Early Voting place in Kentwood.
- 2. The Clean-up Day April 5<sup>th</sup>, @ 8:00 a.m.
- 3. City Hall will be closed on Friday, April 18th, for Good Friday.
- 4. Easter in the MLK Park April 19<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
- 5. Update on the side street at the Pilot store.
- 6. The town will try to seek bids to get a fence around the water yard on Ave I.

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