

**MINUTES. CITY OF GRAMBLING, GRAMBLING, LOUISIANA.**  
***Monthly Meeting***  
***January 5, 2023***

Mayor Alvin Bradley, Sr. opened the regular session of the Grambling City Council on Thursday, January 5, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Grambling City Hall. Mayor Alvin Bradley, Sr. offered the invocation and led the council and others attending the live stream on the City’s Facebook into the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were the following Council members: John Brown, Jr., Cathy Giles, Jerry Lewis, DeVaria H. Ponton, and Delores W. Smith. Absent: None. A quorum was present. The city’s attorney, Pamela Breedlove, was present. It was moved by Council member John Brown, Jr. and seconded by Council member Jerry Lewis to adopt the agenda dated January 5, 2023.

Roll call or yea/nay was as follows:

	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Council member John Brown, Jr.	X			
Council member Cathy Giles	X			
Council member Jerry Lewis	X			
Council member DeVaria H. Ponton	X			
Council member Delores W. Smith	X			

The motion was carried.

- It was moved by Council member Delores Smith and seconded by Council member John Brown, Jr. to adopt the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting for December 1, 2022.

Roll call or yea/nay was as follows:

	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Council member John Brown, Jr.	X			
Council member Cathy Giles	X			
Council member Jerry Lewis	X			
Council member DeVaria H. Ponton	X			
Council member Delores W. Smith	X			

The motion was carried.

**Part II.**

- Public Comments -- The City will announce any public comments received prior to the meeting and will allow five minutes for anyone to call in to make public comments. Anyone desiring to make public comments that has not been previously submitted may do so during this time period by calling the telephone number that will be announced at the beginning of the meeting.

**Part III. Old Business**

- It was moved by Council member Cathy Giles and seconded by Council member Jerry Lewis to adopt the following:

**ORDINANCE NO. 1200222-3**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRAMBLING ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GRAMBLING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023.**

Roll call or yea/nay was as follows:

	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Council member John Brown, Jr.	X			
Council member Cathy Giles	X			
Council member Jerry Lewis	X			
Council member DeVaria H. Ponton	X			
Council member Delores W. Smith	X			

The motion was carried.

**Part IV New Business**

- It was moved by Council member DeVaria Ponton and seconded by Council member John Brown, Jr. the approval of Mrs. Pamela Stringfellow to serve as the Certified Municipal Clerk, Mr. Tommy Clark, Jr. to serve as the Chief of Police, Attorney Pamela Breedlove to serve as the City’s Attorney, and Attorney Ivan Daigs as the Court Magistrate for the City of Grambling.

Roll call or yea/nay was as follows:

	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Council member John Brown, Jr.	X			
Council member Cathy Giles	X			
Council member Jerry Lewis	X			
Council member DeVaria H. Ponton	X			
Council member Delores W. Smith	X			

The motion was carried.

\*\*\*The Certified Municipal Clerk, Chief of Police, City Attorney, and Court Magistrate were sworn-in by Judge Bruce Hampton.

- Council member Delores W. Smith was appointed by the board as the Mayor Protempore.

**Announcements:**

- All Council members thanked the citizens for their vote and support.
- Council member Devaria Ponton reported that a grant had been submitted to “*Keep America Beautiful*”, for 10 garbage reciprocals. Council member Ponton also

stated that she is working on the Community Garden and would like for everyone to save the tubing from their rolls of paper towel & tissue; and bring them to City Hall.

It was moved by Council member Jerry Lewis and seconded by Council member Cathy Giles to adjourn this meeting at 6:25 p.m.

  
Alvin Bradley, Sr., Mayor

  
Pamela J. Stringfellow, LMHC



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