

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAFAYETTE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THE PARISH OF LAFAYETTE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2024 HELD AT 705 W. UNIVERSITY AVENUE, LAFAYETTE, LA.

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL: Bryan Tabor (Chair, District 1), AB Rubin (Vice-Chair, District 5), Donald Richard (District 2), Ken Stansbury (District 3) and John Guilbeau (District 4)

ABSENT: None

COUNCIL STAFF: Veronica L. Arceneaux (Clerk of the Council), Joseph Gordon-Wiltz (Assistant Clerk of the Council) and Jeremy J. Swiney (Senior Administrative Assistant)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Monique B. Boulet (Mayor-President), Rachel Godeaux (Chief Administrative Officer), Karen Fontenot (Chief Financial Officer), Patrick S. Ottinger (City-Parish Attorney), Paul Escott (Assistant City-Parish Attorney) and Shelley Delahoussaye (Animal Shelter and Care Center Supervisor)

(4:30:00) COMMENCEMENT

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to order

Chair Tabor called the Regular Parish Council Meeting of March 19, 2024 to order.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Chair called upon Pastor Carl Benton of Living Glory Church to cite the invocation and called upon retired army veteran Brent LeBlanc, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME AND CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tabor made the following announcements:

- Item #8, Parish Ordinance No. PO-010-2024 has a proposed amendment;
- Item #10, Parish Ordinance No. PO-012-2024, Legal is requesting the ordinance be defeated to allow time for certain edits;
- There will be a Special Joint Meeting today at 5:15pm for an executive session;
- There will be a Special Joint off site Meeting on March 26th at 8:30am for an update on the Homewood Project.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rubin invited everyone to the 22nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 30th.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: EXECUTIVE/MAYOR-PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Boulet made the following announcements:

- LCG will be conducting a job fair in May;
- There will be upcoming legislation for MERS;
- The Special Joint Meeting on the 26th will be at Homewood to view the project;
- If Joint Resolution No. JR-010-2024, supporting the I-49 Connector, is adopted it will go into the state legislative packet;
- LCG may be conducting monthly french lessons.

JOINT RESOLUTION

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: JR-011-2024 A joint resolution of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council supporting and endorsing the I-49 Lafayette Connector and urging the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to expedite the process, motion to adopt by Guilbeau, seconded by Stansbury, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion to adopt was approved.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: PO-008-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council declaring the building or structure located at 608 Marigny Circle, Duson, Louisiana, owned by Posey E. Landeche, Jr., to be dilapidated and dangerous to the public welfare and ordering the condemnation of same, motion to adopt by Rubin, seconded by Richard, and the vote was as follows:
YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion to adopt was approved.

Posey Landeche requested that only the structure be demolished, not the slab, so he may rebuild.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: PO-009-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council declaring the building or structure located at 301 Lantier Road, Carencro, Louisiana, owned by Blaine L. Keele, c/o Gerald J. Block, Attorney Appointed, to be dilapidated and dangerous to the public welfare and ordering the condemnation of same, motion to adopt by Stansbury, seconded by Guilbeau, and the vote was as follows:
YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion to adopt was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: PO-010-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council declaring the building or structure located at 828 Cocodril Road, Scott, Louisiana, owned by Becky Trahan Cortez, c/o Gerald J. Block, Attorney Appointed, to be dilapidated and dangerous to the public welfare and ordering the condemnation of same, motion to adopt by Rubin, seconded by Richard.

A motion to amend to correct the city in the title from ‘Lafayette’ to ‘Scott’ by Rubin, seconded by Stansbury, and the vote was as follows:
YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion to amend was approved.

The Chair then called for the vote to adopt, as amended, and the vote was as follows:
YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion to adopt, as amended, was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: PO-011-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council amending the FY 23/24 operating and capital budgets of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by increasing revenues in the amount of \$28,000 received from Best Friends Animal Society and appropriating within the Elected Officials CAO Department, Animal Shelter and Care Division, for the purpose of spaying/neutering owned canines and felines in areas of Lafayette Parish that have a high animal intake, motion to adopt by Guilbeau, seconded by Rubin, and the vote was as follows:
YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion to adopt was approved.

Godeaux introduced Shelley Delahoussaye, Animal Control Supervisor, to provide an update on how the areas were selected for this service.

DEFEATED

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: PO-012-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council authorizing the non-warranty donation of various adjudicated properties to the Coco Tribe of Canneci Tinne, a certified non-profit, pursuant to La. R.S. 47:2205, motion to defeat by Guilbeau, seconded by Stansbury, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion to defeat was approved.

JOINT ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: JO-012-2024 A joint ordinance of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council authorizing the Lafayette Mayor-President to enter into an inter-governmental agreement with the City of Carencro related to the transfer of properties acquired by Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government through the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Hurricanes Gustav and Ike (2009 DR-1786 and DR-1792), motion to adopt by Richard, seconded by Rubin, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion to adopt was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: JO-013-2024 A joint ordinance of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council authorizing the Lafayette Mayor-President to enter into an inter-governmental agreement with the City of Carencro related to the transfer of properties acquired by Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government through the Hazard Mitigation Grant under Disaster 1607 (Hurricane Katrina) concerning Hazard Mitigation Grant Project No. HMGP #1607-055-0002, FEMA-1607-DR-LA, Project No. 0097, motion to adopt by Stansbury, seconded by Guilbeau, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion to adopt was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: JO-014-2024 A joint ordinance of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council authorizing the Lafayette Mayor-President to enter into an inter-governmental agreement with the City of Carencro related to the transfer of properties acquired by Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government through the Hazard Mitigation Grant under Disaster 1603 (Hurricane Rita) concerning Hazard Mitigation Grant Project No. HMGP #1603-055-0002, FEMA-1603-DR-LA, Project No. 0082, motion to adopt by Guilbeau, seconded by Rubin, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion to adopt was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14: JO-015-2024 A joint ordinance of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council authorizing a memorandum of understanding between Lafayette Airport Commission and Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government to comply with the requirement for a written agreement between agencies sharing responsibility for the obligations outlined in the general permit for discharges from small municipal separate storm sewer systems, motion to adopt by Rubin, seconded by Richard, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion to adopt was approved.

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT BY THE COUNCIL, AS A WHOLE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15: Appointment of Scott A. Morgan to the Office of Constable, Region 8, Ward 6, Parish of Lafayette. The temporary term to be filled until such time as a new Constable is elected, which is scheduled for November/December 2024.

Guilbeau nominated Morgan, and the vote was as follows:
MORGAN: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion to appoint Scott A. Morgan was approved.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

A motion to introduce agenda items 16-19, in globo, was offered by Rubin, seconded by Stansbury.

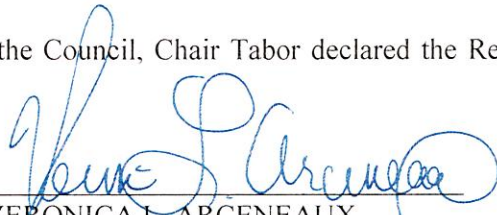
- 16. PO-013-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council authorizing the Parish of Lafayette to participate in the Acadiana Watershed District and the appointment of the Acadiana Planning Commission as the Administrative Body of the District.
- 17. PO-014-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council amending the FY 23/24 operating and capital budgets of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by increasing revenues in the amount of \$4,000 per month through December 31, 2024 received from Bissell Pet Foundation and appropriating within the Elected Officials CAO Department, Animal Shelter and Care Center Division, for the use of the Animal Shelter Facility to spay/neuter owned and shelter pets.
- 18. PO-015-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council amending the FY 23/24 operating budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by adjusting the manning tables and increasing the hourly pay rate of one (1) Labor Foreman III position within the Drainage Department.
- 19. PO-016-2024 An ordinance of the Lafayette Parish Council amending the FY 23/24 operating budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by adjusting the manning tables within the Library Department by deleting one (1) Library Technical Assistant I Regular Less Than Full-Time position and adding one (1) Library Technical Assistant I Regular Full-Time position.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20: Comments from the public concerning the above introductory ordinances.
No one signed in to speak to the above introductory ordinances.

The Chair then called for a vote to introduce the ordinances (items 16-19), in globo, and the vote was as follows:
YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Stansbury, Guilbeau, Rubin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
Motion to introduce, in globo, was approved.

(4:58:00) **ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Chair Tabor declared the Regular Meeting adjourned.


VERONICA L. ARCENEAUX,
LAFAYETTE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL