



St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

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Final

Council Chairman Dick Gibbs
Councilmembers Wendy Benedetto, Paul J. Hogan,
Terrell D. Wilson, Mary K. Clulee, William Billy Woodruff,
Marilyn B. Bellock, Traci A. Fletcher, Julia Fisher-Perrier

Monday, October 15, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

ATTENDANCE

Present 7 - Paul J. Hogan, Terrell D. Wilson, Mary K. Clulee, John R. 'Dick' Gibbs, William Woodruff, Traci A. Fletcher, and Julia Fisher-Perrier

Absent 2 - Wendy Benedetto, and Marilyn B. Bellock

Also Present

Parish President Larry Cochran, Executive Secretary Robin Delahoussaye, Legal Services Director Robert Raymond, Chief Administrative Officer Billy Raymond, Executive Director Darrin Duhe, Executive Director Dwayne LaGrange, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works/Wastewater Director Clayton Fauchaux, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Justin Robert, Public Information Office

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER / PLEDGE

Deacon Billy Raymond, Sr.
Mt. Airy Baptist Church

Chairman Gibbs asked that everyone please take a few moments of silence to remember all those affected by Hurricane Michael.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Woodruff, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of September 17, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

[2018-0287](#)

In Recognition: Chris Anthony Taylor, Eagle Scout

Sponsors: Ms. Fletcher

Read

[2018-0288](#)

In Recognition: Dustin Jude Weber, Eagle Scout

Sponsors: Ms. Fletcher

Read

[2018-0289](#)

In Recognition: Dylan Edward Weber, Eagle Scout

Sponsors: Ms. Fletcher

Read

Councilwoman Fletcher spoke regarding the Eagle Scouts.
Chairman Gibbs spoke regarding the Eagle Scouts.

[2018-0283](#)

Proclamation: World Polio Day

Sponsors: Ms. Clulee

Read

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

[2018-0284](#)

Commissioner Eric Skrmetta, Louisiana Public Service Commission -
Community Awareness Report

Sponsors: Mr. Gibbs

Councilwoman Clulee spoke on the matter.
Commissioner Skrmetta spoke on the matter.
Councilman Hogan spoke on the matter.
Parish President Larry Cochran spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Fisher-Perrier spoke on the matter.

Reported

[2018-0285](#)

Executive Director Buddy Boe, River Parishes Tourist Commission - Update

Sponsors: Ms. Fisher-Perrier

Discussion: to defer File No. 2018-0285 until a later date

Report Deferred

[2018-0286](#)

Library Service District

Ms. Leann Benedict, Director

Councilman Hogan spoke on the matter.

Ms. Benedict spoke on the matter.

Reported

[2018-0230](#)

Department of Public Works

Discussion: to defer File No. 2018-0230 until a later date

Report Deferred

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN GIBBS AUTHORIZED THAT THE ORDINANCE, HAVING BEEN PRESENTED FOR INTRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, AND NOT REJECTED BY TWO-THIRDS OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, IS TO BE PUBLISHED IN SUMMARY FORM AS FOLLOWS IN THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL WITH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018, 9:00 A.M.; THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2018, 6:00 P.M.; AND TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2018, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2018-0139](#)

An ordinance to approve and adopt the appropriation of Funds for the St. Charles Parish Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2019.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Finance

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on October 23, 2018

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN GIBBS AUTHORIZED THAT THE ORDINANCES, HAVING BEEN PRESENTED FOR INTRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, AND NOT REJECTED BY TWO-THIRDS OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, ARE TO BE PUBLISHED IN SUMMARY FORM AS FOLLOWS IN THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL WITH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2018-0292](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Construction Contract with Sealevel Construction, Inc. for Project No. P080905-5D, grant reference Project No. H.013148, Ellington Drainage Pump Station Project, as part of the West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee Project, in the amount of \$8,288,890.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on November 5, 2018

[2018-0293](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the Parish President to acquire a 0.0148 acre temporary construction servitude for use in the construction of the US 61 (Railroad Overpass to LA 50) Culvert Installation Project over property identified as Parcel No. 3-1, located on Lot 30-A-1, Almedia Plantation, Sec. 40, T12S - R9E in St. Rose, now or formerly owned by Tri-Logistics Construction L.L.C., which property is more particularly described in the attached "Temporary Construction Servitude" document.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on November 5, 2018

[2018-0294](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a professional service contract with ELOS Environmental, LLC, to provide as-needed environmental services for miscellaneous projects in St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on November 5, 2018

**ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING
(INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)**

[2018-0276](#)

An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Parish of St. Charles, Appendix C. - St. Charles Parish Subdivision Regulations of 1981, I. General, to add under B. Definitions: concreted monument, monument, and survey points, II. Subdivision procedure. to revise Section G. Final Plat Requirements., 2. Mandatory Submission Requirements. a. and l., to revise 3. Final Plat/Additional Submission Requirements. f., g., h., and i., and to revise IV. Design Standards. E. Miscellaneous: 5. Monuments. a. and b.

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan

Councilman Hogan requested that File No. 2018-0276 be postponed indefinitely.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Councilwoman Fisher-Perrier questioned why File No. 2018-0276 had been brought up to postpone indefinitely if this came from the Planning & Zoning Commission?

Councilman Hogan stated that File No. 2018-0276 was early introduced and the Department of Planning & Zoning and Commission suggested some amendments.

Council Discussion

Public Works/Wastewater Director Clayton Fauchaux spoke on the matter.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, to Postpone Indefinitely File No. 2018-0276. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Postponed Indefinitely

[2018-0277](#)

An ordinance to levy an assessment on the 2018 ad valorem tax bills of property owners that are delinquent in paying outstanding invoices for removal of weeds, grass, etc. in accordance with the St. Charles Parish Code, Chapter 16, Article III, Weeds, Grass, etc. and to levy an assessment on the ad valorem tax bills of property owners that are delinquent in paying outstanding charges incurred for the removal of unsafe structures, trash and debris in accordance with Chapter 16, Article IV, Sec. 16-48(b).

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 18-10-9

Council Discussion

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Enactment No: 18-10-9

[2018-0278](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of Change Order No. 2 for the Norco Library Renovation/Addition located at 590 Apple Street in Norco, to increase the contract amount by \$4,371.00 and increase the contract time by thirteen days.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran

Reported:

Parish President Recommended: Approval

Ms. Leann Benedict, Library Director, spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 18-10-10

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Enactment No: 18-10-10

[2018-0282](#)

An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Parish of St. Charles, Chapter 13 Licenses, Taxation and Miscellaneous Business Regulations to repeal Article VIII. Purchases from Small Businesses establishing that the St. Charles Parish Purchasing Office designate and set aside certain procurement of goods and services for small businesses.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran

Reported:

Parish President Recommended: Approval
Executive Director Darrin Duhe spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 18-10-11

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Enactment No: 18-10-11

[2018-0290](#)

A resolution providing supporting authorization to endorse the resubdivision of Lots D-1 and D-2 on Zeller Street with waivers from the required area and width as requested by Joshua Veillon, Lisa Fontenot & Sandra Robert, et als.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Planning & Zoning

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, seconded by Councilmember Clulee, to deviate from the regular order of the agenda to take up File No. 2018-0290; a matter not on the agenda.

Public comment opened on the deviation; no public comment

The motion to deviate failed to receive the required unanimous votes for passage by the following vote:

YEAS: WILSON, CLULEE, GIBBS, WOODRUFF, FLETCHER, FISHER-PERRIER

NAYS: HOGAN

ABSENT: BENEDETTO, BELLOCK

Motion Failed (Vote was not unanimous)

[2018-0291](#)

A resolution requesting the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development to install “Advanced Warning Flashers” next to the east bound lane of Highway 90 before the traffic signal at WPA Road (Hwy. 632) in Des Allemands.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran

Public comment opened on the deviation; no public comment

A motion was made by Councilmember Fletcher, seconded by Councilmember Woodruff, to deviate from the regular order of the agenda to take up File No. 2018-0291. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Enactment No: 6377

Deviated

Enactment No: 6377

Reported:

Parish President Recommended: Approval

Amendment: to amend the proposed ordinance by adding the entire council as co-sponsors

A motion was made by Councilmember Fletcher, seconded by Councilmember Hogan, to Amend File No. 2018-0291. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Enactment No: 6377

Amended

Enactment No: 6377

[2018-0291](#)

A resolution requesting the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development to install “Advanced Warning Flashers” next to the east bound lane of Highway 90 before the traffic signal at WPA Road (Hwy. 632) in Des Allemands.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran, Ms. Benedetto, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Clulee, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Woodruff, Ms. Bellock, Ms. Fletcher and Ms. Fisher-Perrier

Public comment opened; no public comment

Council Discussion
Parish President Larry Cochran spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION AS AMENDED

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Enactment No: 6377

A motion was made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Fletcher, to return to the regular order of the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Enactment No: 6377

Returned

Enactment No: 6377

APPOINTMENTS

[2018-0262](#)

A resolution to appoint Mr. Garrett Monti to the River Parishes Tourist Commission.

VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. GARRETT MONTI

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

Enactment No: 6378

Councilman Woodruff requested to speak.
Chairman Gibbs allowed Councilman Woodruff to speak.
Councilman Woodruff acknowledged and shared thank you cards that he received from the Porter children in reference to File No. 2018-0253; Ordinance No. 18-10-4 adopted October 1, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Fletcher, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:16 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Benedetto and Bellock

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

Michelle Impastato
Council Secretary