



St. Charles Parish

Meeting Agenda

Parish Council

Council Chairman Dennis Nuss
Councilmembers Carolyn K. Schexnaydre, Terry Authement,
Billy Raymond, Sr., Shelley M. Tastet, Wendy Benedetto,
Paul J. Hogan, Larry Cochran, Marcus M. Lambert

St. Charles Parish Courthouse
15045 Highway 18
P.O. Box 302
Hahnville, LA 70057
985-783-5125
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Monday, February 25, 2008

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

Final

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER

PLEDGE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

1 [2008-0112](#)

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr.

2 [2008-0116](#) Proclamation: American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Month

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr.

3 [2008-0115](#) In Recognition: Purchasing Department Employees

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr.

4 [2008-0123](#) A resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special election held in the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, February 9, 2008, to authorize the levy of special taxes therein.

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr. and Bond Counsel

Attachments: [2008-0123 Final Reso 5513](#)

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

[2008-0103](#) Mr. Brian Champagne, Registrar of Voters - March 8, 2008 1st Congressional District Party Primary Election & Early Voting Dates

Sponsors: Mr. Nuss

[2008-0104](#) Geophysical Operation Report - Merlin Oil & Gas, Mr. Mark Miller and Mr. Ian McGill

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr.

[2008-0105](#) Department of Planning & Zoning/CZM

[2008-0106](#) Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr.

G Monday, March 10, 2008, 6:00 pm, Council Chambers, Courthouse, Hahnville

[2008-0107](#) An ordinance to amend Appendix C of the Code, St. Charles Parish Subdivision Regulations of 1981, Ordinance No. 81-8-2 to amend Section III. Geometric standards, F. *Parks, Playgrounds, School Sites, Etc.*, 1. a. Dedication, and to amend 1. b. Fees in Lieu of Dedication.

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan

Attachments: [Geometric Standard minutes.doc](#)
[geometric Recommendation.doc](#)
[2008-0107 Final Ord 08-4-13](#)

[2008-0108](#) An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances by adding restrictions on individuals appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Chapter 19 Planning and Development, Article I. In General, Section 19-1. Planning and Zoning Commission.

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan

Attachments: [2008-0108 Failed Proposed Ordinance](#)

[2008-0109](#) An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances by adding restrictions on individuals appointed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, Appendix A, Section XIII., A.

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan

[2008-0125](#) An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the German Coast Farmers' Market to provide certain services to St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr. and Department of Economic Development and Tourism

Attachments: [2008 AGREEMENT.doc](#)
[2008-0125 Agreement](#)
[2008-0125 Final Ord 08-3-1 with Agreement](#)

2008-0068 An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, Section 2-12. Qualification based selection procedures for the procurement of architects and engineers, IV. Special Provisions requiring the Council signature on all contracts less than \$20,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan, Mr. Authement and Ms. Schexnaydre

Attachments: 2008-0068 3-19-08 PH memo to PC & PP

Legislative History

1/28/08	Council Member(s)	Introduced
1/28/08	Parish Council	Rmv'd from Intro.
		<i>Discussion: to remove File No. 2008-0068 from introduction to be introduced at a later date</i>
2/11/08	Council Member(s)	Introduced
2/11/08	Parish Council	Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing

PLANNING AND ZONING PETITIONS

12 [2008-0097](#) An ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to the change of zoning classification from R-1A to R-2 at Lot A, Fashion Plantation (14926 River Road), Hahnville, La as requested by Melvin D. Thomas.

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr. and Department of Planning & Zoning

Attachments: [Melvin Thomas Application.pdf](#)
[Melvin Thomas LUR.doc](#)
[Melvin Thomas Minutes.doc](#)
[Melvin Thomas Recommendation at a Glance.doc](#)
[Melvin Thomas survey.pdf](#)
[2008-0097 Failed Proposed Ordinance](#)

Legislative History

1/8/08	Department of Planning & Zoning	Received/Assigned PH
2/7/08	Department of Planning & Zoning	Recommended Denial to the Planning Commission
2/7/08	Planning Commission	Recommended Denial to the Parish Council
2/11/08	Parish President	Introduced
2/11/08	Parish Council	Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing

ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING (INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)

[2008-0082](#) An ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 07-10-7 to extend the MORATORIUM on the approval of Major Subdivisions (6 or more lots) in Ama until December 31, 2008.

Sponsors: Mr. Tastet

Attachments: [2008-0082 Final Ord 08-2-2](#)

Legislative History

2/11/08	Council Member(s)	Introduced
2/11/08	Parish Council	Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing

[2008-0095](#) An ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 07-9-3 which installed "**NO OVERNIGHT PARKING**" signs on all streets in Country Cottage Estates; Phase I, Phase II, Phase III, Phase III A, Phase III CA, and Phase III CB in Montz.

Sponsors: Mr. Lambert

Legislative History

2/11/08	Council Member(s)	Introduced
2/11/08	Parish Council	Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing

[2008-0096](#) An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of an Agreement with Sizeler Thompson Brown Architects Regional Design Group, LLC for the renovations of the third floor (former jail area) of the Parish Courthouse.

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr.

Attachments: [2008-0096 Agreement-F](#)
[2008-0096 Final Ord 08-4-2 with Agreement](#)

Legislative History

2/11/08	Parish President	Introduced
2/11/08	Parish Council	Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing

2008-0068 An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, Section 2-12. Qualification based selection procedures for the procurement of architects and engineers, IV. Special Provisions requiring the Council signature on all contracts less than \$20,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan, Mr. Authement and Ms. Schexnaydre

Attachments: 2008-0068 3-19-08 PH memo to PC & PP

Legislative History

1/28/08	Council Member(s)	Introduced
1/28/08	Parish Council	Rmv'd from Intro. <i>Discussion: to remove File No. 2008-0068 from introduction to be introduced at a later date</i>
2/11/08	Council Member(s)	Introduced
2/11/08	Parish Council	Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN TABLED

[2008-0073](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a contract with Lamar Contractors, Inc. for the construction of the East Regional Library at 160 West Campus Drive in Destrehan.

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr. and Chief Administrative Officer

Attachments: [Contract - Final - 001\(1\).pdf](#)
[A101 NOTICE TO PROCEED 080130.pdf](#)
[Contract markups.pdf](#)
[Contractor's Letter.pdf](#)
[2008-0073 Contract-F](#)
[2008-0073 Final Ord 08-5-3 with Contract](#)
[2008-0073 Completion-F](#)

Legislative History

1/28/08	Parish President	Introduced
1/28/08	Parish Council	Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing
2/11/08	Parish Council	Public Hearing Requirements Not Satisfied
	<i>Reported:</i>	
	<i>Parish President Recommended: Approval</i>	
2/11/08	Parish Council	Tabled.
	<i>Discussion: to table File No. 2008-0073 because of a temporary restraining order</i>	

RESOLUTIONS

14 [2008-0110](#)

A resolution providing mandatory supporting authorization to Shaun T. Breaux to endorse the positive Planning & Zoning Commission decision regarding PZS-2008-02 for survey and resubdivision Lot E of Cajun Paradise into Lots E-1 and E-2, located in Section 3, T14S R20E near Paradis, St. Charles Parish, La. by approving a waiver to the hard-surface frontage requirement for Lot E-1 & E-2.

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr. and Department of Planning & Zoning

Attachments: [Breux application.pdf](#)
[Breux P&Z minutes.doc](#)
[Breux Recommendation at Glance.doc](#)
[Breux survey.pdf](#)
[Breux. LUR.doc](#)
[2008-0110 Final Reso 5514](#)

Legislative History

11/30/07	Department of Planning & Zoning	Received/Assigned PH
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2/7/08	Department of Planning & Zoning	No Recommendation to the Planning Commission <i>No recommendation unless waiver to the requirement for hard-surface frontage is approved.</i>
2/7/08	Planning Commission	Rcmd'd Approval w/Stip. to the Parish Council <i>Approval with a positive recommendation for waiver to the required hard-surface frontage for Lots E-1 & E-2.</i>

- 16** [2008-0111](#) A resolution providing mandatory supporting authorization to Sylvia T. Somme to endorse the positive Planning & Zoning Commission decision regarding PZS-2008-05 for survey and resubdivision of Lot A of a subdivision of Lot 137 of the Coteau de France or Ranson Tract as per plan of E.M. Collier, PLS dated August 20, 1965 into Lots A-1 and A-2, located in Section 42, T14S R20E at Des Allemands, St. Charles Parish, La. by approving a waiver to the hard-surface frontage requirement for Lot A-2.

Sponsors: Mr. St. Pierre Jr. and Department of Planning & Zoning

Attachments: [Somme application \(5\).pdf](#)
[Somme LUR.doc](#)
[Somme P&Z minutes.doc](#)
[Somme Recommendation at Glance.doc](#)
[Somme survey \(4\).pdf](#)
[2008-0111 Final Reso 5515](#)

Legislative History

1/10/08	Department of Planning & Zoning	Received/Assigned PH
2/7/08	Department of Planning & Zoning	Recommended Approval to the Planning Commission
2/7/08	Planning Commission	Rcmd'd Approval w/Stip. to the Parish Council <i>Approval with a positive recommendation for waiver to the required hard-surface frontage for Lot A-2.</i>

- 18** [2008-0113](#) A resolution requesting the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to install a fully functional automated traffic signal at the intersection of Highway 90 and LA 632 (WPA Road).

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan

Attachments: [2008-0113 3-3-08 DOTD ltr to BJT](#)
[2008-0113 3-17-08 Smith ltr to DOTD](#)
[2008-0113 3-24-08 DOTD ltr BJT](#)
[2008-0113 Final Reso 5516](#)

- 19 [2008-0114](#) A resolution requesting a drainage study of the Town of Montz in St. Charles Parish and take the required necessary steps to address the findings.
- Sponsors:** Mr. Lambert
- Attachments:** [2008-0114 Final Reso 5517](#)
- [2008-0117](#) A resolution requesting the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development perform a traffic study to determine the feasibility of the installation of a signal light at the intersection of Airline Drive (LA 61) and Evangeline Road, Montz.
- Sponsors:** Mr. Lambert
- Attachments:** [2008-0117 Final Reso 5518](#)
- [2008-0118](#) A resolution requesting the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development install a signal light at the intersection of Airline Drive (LA 61) and St. Rose Avenue (LA 626), St. Rose.
- Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran
- Attachments:** [2008-0118 Final Reso 5519](#)
- 22 [2008-0119](#) A resolution authorizing the issuance of a Special License to Hahnville High School Dugout Club to conduct a Super Bingo.
- Sponsors:** Ms. Schexnaydre, Mr. Authement, Mr. Raymond, Mr. Tastet, Ms. Benedetto, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Lambert and Mr. Nuss
- Attachments:** [2008-0119 Final Reso 5520](#)
- 23 [2008-0124](#)
- Sponsors:** Ms. Schexnaydre, Mr. Authement, Mr. Raymond, Mr. Tastet, Ms. Benedetto, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Lambert and Mr. Nuss
- Attachments:** [Issues important to SCP 2008 letter.doc](#)
[Issues important to SCP 2008 letter revised.doc](#)
[Issues important to SCP 2008 letter revised 1.doc](#)
[2008-0124 Final Reso 5521](#)

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APPOINTMENTS[2008-0015](#)

Council Ex-Officio Appointment of Councilman Paul J. Hogan to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Council will confirm nomination of Council Ex-Officio Appointment to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Term is concurrent with the Governing Authority. (Deferred from the February 11, 2008 Parish Council Meeting. Deferred from the January 28, 2008 Parish Council Meeting until an ethics ruling is obtained from the Louisiana Board of Ethics.)

Nominee: Councilman Paul J. Hogan

Legislative History

1/14/08	Parish Council	Nomination(s) Accepted
	<i>Nominee:</i> <i>Councilman Authement nominated Councilman Hogan</i>	
1/14/08	Parish Council	Close Nomination(s) for
1/28/08	Parish Council	Deferred 1
	<i>Discussion: to defer File No. 2008-0015 until an Ethics ruling is obtained by the Louisiana Board of Ethics</i>	
2/11/08	Parish Council	Deferred 1

[2008-0028](#)

Council Appointment of Councilman Larry Cochran to the River Region Caucus

Council will confirm appointment to the River Region Caucus. Term to begin January 14, 2008 and expire July 31, 2008.

Nominee: Councilman Larry Cochran

Legislative History

1/14/08	Parish Council	Deferred 1
1/28/08	Parish Council	Deferred 1
	<i>Discussion: to defer File No. 2008-0028 until the Parish President receives confirmation that the River Region Caucus will continue to meet</i>	
2/11/08	Parish Council	Nomination(s) Accepted
	<i>Nominee:</i> <i>Councilman Lambert nominated Councilman Cochran</i>	
2/11/08	Parish Council	Close Nomination(s) for

[2008-0029](#)

Council Appointment of Councilwoman Wendy Benedetto to the River Region Caucus

Council will confirm appointment to the River Region Caucus. Term to begin January 14, 2008 and expire July 31, 2008.

Nominee: Councilwoman Wendy Benedetto

Legislative History

1/14/08	Parish Council	Deferred 1
1/28/08	Parish Council	Deferred 1
	<i>Discussion: to defer File No. 2008-0029 until the Parish President receives confirmation that the River Region Caucus will continue to meet</i>	
2/11/08	Parish Council	Nomination(s) Accepted
	<i>Nominee:</i> <i>Councilman Tastet nominated Councilwoman Benedetto</i>	

2/11/08 Parish Council Close Nomination(s) for
[2008-0030](#) Council Alternate Appointment of Councilman Marcus M. Lambert to the River Region Caucus

Council will confirm alternate appointment to the River Region Caucus. Term to begin January 14, 2008 and expire July 31, 2008.

Nominee: Councilman Marcus M. Lambert

Legislative History

1/14/08 Parish Council Deferred 1

1/28/08 Parish Council Deferred 1

Discussion: to defer File No. 2008-0030 until the Parish President receives confirmation that the River Region Caucus will continue to meet

2/11/08 Parish Council Nomination(s) Accepted

Nominee:

Councilman Cochran nominated Councilman Lambert

2/11/08 Parish Council Close Nomination(s) for

[2008-0031](#) Council Alternate Appointment of Councilman Paul J. Hogan to the River Region Caucus

Council will confirm alternate appointment to the River Region Caucus. Term to begin January 14, 2008 and expire July 31, 2008.

Nominee: Councilman Paul J. Hogan

Legislative History

1/14/08 Parish Council Deferred 1

1/28/08 Parish Council Deferred 1

Discussion: to defer File No. 2008-0031 until the Parish President receives confirmation that the River Region Caucus will continue to meet

2/11/08 Parish Council Nomination(s) Accepted

Nominee:

Councilwoman Benedetto nominated Councilman Hogan

2/11/08 Parish Council Close Nomination(s) for

[2008-0056](#) A resolution appointing a member to the South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority Board.

Attachments: [2008-0056 Final Reso 5525](#)

Council Office did not receive Confirmation Questionnaire by February 19, 2008 deadline; Rule 17 - Confirmation Questionnaires must be completed and returned to the Office of the Council Secretary by 4:00 o'clock p.m. on the fourth business day preceding a Parish Council Meeting. Failure to complete or return the questionnaire prior to the deadline shall automatically disqualify the nomination.

Council Chairman will accept nominations for appointment to the South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority Board to fill the expired term of Ms. Tabatha Hallman. Three (3) year term - January 1, 2008 expires January 1, 2011. (Act No. 449; Louisiana Revised Statute 28:871)

Legislative History

1/22/07 Parish Council Enacted Legislation
Ms. Tabatha Hallman appointed to the South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority Board on January 22, 2007, per Resolution No. 5404
Term: January 22, 2007 - January 1, 2008

1/28/08 Parish Council Deferred 1

2/11/08 Parish Council Nomination(s) Accepted
Nominee:
Councilwoman Schexnaydre nominated Ms. Tabatha Hallman

2/11/08 Parish Council Close Nomination(s) for

[2008-0120](#)

A resolution to appoint a member to the Qualification Based Selection Review Panel.

Accept Louisiana State University recommendation for appointment to fill the expired term of Dr. David Constant. Three (3) year term to begin March 1, 2008 and expire March 1, 2011.

Nominee: Dr. David Constant

Legislative History

2/7/08 Parish Council Correspondence Received
from Dean Zaki Bassiouni, Louisiana, State University, submitting name for confirmation for the QBS Panel: Dr. David Constant

[2008-0121](#)

Authorize advertisement of vacancy and authorize the forwarding of Petition Signatures to the Sunset Drainage District Board for verification.

Attachments:

[2008-0121 Final Reso 5545](#)

Term of Mr. Curlis J. Matherne to expire May 9, 2008. Five (5) year term to begin May 9, 2008 and expire May 9, 2013.

Legislative History

5/5/03 Parish Council Enacted Legislation
Mr. Curlis J. Matherne appointed to the Sunset Drainage District on May 5, 2003, per Resolution No. 5098
Term: May 9, 2003 - May 9, 2008

[2008-0122](#)

A resolution to appoint a member to the Library Service District Board of Control.

Attachments:

[2008-0122 Final Reso 5534](#)

On March 10, 2008 the Council Chairman will accept nominations to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of the term of Ms. Carolyn Tregre. Five (5) year term to begin April 1, 2008 and expire April 1, 2013.

Legislative History

4/7/03 Parish Council Enacted Legislation
Ms. Carolyn Tregre appointed to the Library Board of Control on April 7, 2003, per Resolution No. 5094
Term: April 3, 2003 - April 1, 2008

MEETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOTICES, ETC.

ADJOURNMENT

HOUSING AUTHORITY: Tuesday, 2/26/08, 6PM, Council Chambers
HOSPITAL BOARD: Wednesday, 2/27/08, 9AM, Council Chambers
CHILDREN & YOUTH PLANNING COMMITTEE: Wednesday, 2/27/08, 1PM, Council Chambers
COASTAL ZONE ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Thursday, 2/28/08, 7PM, Council Chambers
PLANNING & ZONING: Thursday, 3/6/08, 7PM, Council Chambers
911 COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT: Monday, 3/10/08, 5PM, 911 Center

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. CHARLES PARISH RECYCLING DROP OFF EVENTS: Saturday, March 1, 2008, 9AM - 12Noon; Locations: Westbank - St. Charles Plaza, Highway 90, Luling; Eastbank - New Sarpy Annex, Highway 48, New Sarpy

Early Voting for the March 8, 2008 1st Congressional Party Primary

February 1 - March 4, 2008 Request Absentee Mail Ballot

February 23, 25 - March 1st - Early Voting, Registrar of Voters Office 8:30am - 4:30pm
Westbank - Courthouse, 15045 River Road Hahnville
Eastbank - Artebury Building, 14565 River Road New Sarpy

March 8th Election Day

Voters in the following Precincts on the Eastbank are in the 1st Congressional District:

- 1 - 6 Harry Hurst Middle School*
- 3 - 1 New Sarpy Elementary*
- 3 - 1A New Sarpy Elementary*
- 3 - 1B New Sarpy Elementary*
- 3 - 2 Ethel Schoeffner Elementary School*
- 3 - 3 Destrehan High School*
- 3 - 4 Destrehan High School*
- 5 - 5 Albert Cammon Middle School*
- 6 - 8 Destrehan High School*

Accommodations for Disabled

St. Charles Parish will upon request and with three (3) days advanced notice provide reasonable accommodation to any disabled individual wishing to attend the meeting. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation is requested to contact the Office of the Council Secretary at (985) 783-5125 to discuss the particular accommodations needed.