



St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

St. Charles Parish
Courthouse
15045 Highway 18
P.O. Box 302
Hahnville, LA 70057
985-783-5125
www.stcharlesparish.gov

Final

Council Chairman Walter Pilié
Councilmembers Michael A. Mobley, Holly Fonseca, La Sandra D. Wilson,
Heather Skiba, Willie Comardelle, Michelle O'Daniels,
Bob Fisher, Michele deBruler

Monday, July 27, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

ATTENDANCE

Present 9 - Michael A. Mobley, Holly Fonseca, La Sandra D. Wilson, Heather Skiba, Walter Pilié, Willie Comardelle, Michelle O'Daniels, Bob Fisher, and Michele deBruler

Also Present

Parish President Matthew Jewell, Legal Services Director Corey Oubre, Legal Services Assistant Director Robert Raymond, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Samantha de Castro, Chief Operations Officer Darrin Duhe, Executive Director of Technology and Cybersecurity Anthony Ayo, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Engineering Director Miles Bingham, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Dayna Parker, Personnel Officer, WIOA Director Tommy Scott, Michelle Impastato, Council Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER / PLEDGE

Pastor Charles Johnson, Sr.
Mount Zion Community Church, Boutte

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of July 13, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

[2026-0215](#)

In Memoriam: Kirk Andre Friloux

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

[2026-0227](#)

Proclamation: "National Heatstroke Awareness Month"

Sponsors: Ms. deBruler

Ms. Tyrell Cornwell, Chairwoman of Civic, spoke on the matter.

Read

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

[2026-0232](#)

Port of South Louisiana

Ms. Julia Fisher-Cormier, Chief Executive Officer reported.

Reported

[2026-0233](#)

Housing Authority

St. Charles Housing Authority Executive Director, Jedidiah Jackson, reported.

Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Mr. Jackson spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Mr. Jackson spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman deBruler spoke on the matter.

Mr. Jackson spoke on the matter.

Reported

[2026-0234](#)

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Parish President Matthew Jewell reported.

Councilman Fisher spoke on the matter.

President Jewell spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman O'Daniels spoke on the matter.

President Jewell spoke on the matter.

Councilman Fisher spoke on the matter.

President Jewell spoke on the matter.

Councilman Fisher spoke on the matter.

Reported

Chairman Pilié invited Mr. Jeff Duhe, Public Affairs Specialist with the with the U.S. Small Business Administration, to provide a report regarding assistance available to St. Charles Parish residents recovering from Tropical Storm Arthur.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman deBruler spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Duhe spoke on the matter.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN PILIÉ 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 & ADOPTION TO BE HELD AT THE PUBLIC MEETING ON MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2026, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2026-0235](#)

An ordinance adopting, setting forth, levying and imposing taxes on all property subject to taxation in the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, as required by Section 23 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana and Revised Statute 47.1705(B) for General Parochial Purposes; constructing, acquiring, maintaining, operating, extending and/or improving levees, facilities and structures associated with outer flood protection systems within the Parish; constructing, maintaining, and operating the Parish Road Maintenance program, Parish Recreation program, Parish Fire Protection, Mosquito Control Program, E-911 Telephone System, Health Unit and Council on Aging program; Council on Aging Program (2); Road Lighting District No. 1; Library Service District No. 1; the ARC of St. Charles; paying any costs associated with acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating wastewater facilities and systems in the Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Finance

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 10, 2026

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN PILIÉ 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, AUGUST 10, 2026, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2026-0247](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, Personnel, Article II. Classified Civil Service System, Div. 2. Civil Service Board, Sec. 18-26, Members., to replace (c), (1), due to the dissolution of the Louisiana Civil Service League.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Personnel Office

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 10, 2026

[2026-0251](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 for the Ormond Center Drainage Improvements (Project No. P190505), to increase the contract amount by \$271,095.41 and increase the contract time by thirty (30) calendar days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Engineering

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 10, 2026

[2026-0252](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 for the Destrehan Wastewater Treatment Plant Aeration Basin Rehabilitation (Project No. S211202), to increase the contract amount by \$71,532.00 and increase the contract time by one hundred thirty-three (133) calendar days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Engineering

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 10, 2026

[2026-0253](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 with for the Ormond CN Railway Culverts Project (Project No. P200801), to increase the contract amount by \$1,005,921.76 and increase the contract time by sixty (60) days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Engineering

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 10, 2026

[2026-0220](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Construction Manager at Risk, herein after referred to as "CMAR", Contract with Woodward Design + Build, LLC, for the construction of Hahnville Branch Library Construction Project, in the amount of \$9,040,972.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Engineering

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 10, 2026

[2026-0242](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Services Agreement with ARCCO Company Services, Inc., for the Wastewater Generator Preventative Maintenance 2026 (Project No. S260701), in the amount not to exceed \$99,735.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Wastewater

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 10, 2026

[2026-0229](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Contract with Pintail Contracting Services, LLC, for the Ama Park Renovations (Project No. RECAPR25), in the amount of \$1,208,100.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Engineering

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 10, 2026

PLANNING AND ZONING PETITIONS[2026-0224](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A to R-1A(M) on property designated as Lots 1 and 2, Block A, Good Hope Plantation as requested by Stein Management, LLC.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Denial

Planning Commission Recommended: Denial

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Speakers:

Mr. Mark Brady, Norco

Mr. Matthew Perret, Norco

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Council Discussion

Councilman Fisher spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 0

Nay: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Failed

[2026-0225](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from C-2 to R-1A on property designated as Lower 85' of Lot 6, Village of Hahnville as requested by Billy Butler for Moore New Homes, LLC.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval

Planning Commission Recommended: Approval

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-7-4

Council Discussion
Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-7-4

[2026-0226](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A to O-L on property designated as Lots 1, 2, and 3, Friloux-Donnaud Estate as requested by Robert Gilbert.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval

Planning Commission Recommended: Approval

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Speakers:

Ms. Julie Hebert, Civil & Sports Design Engineering, LLC, Hahnville

Mr. Robert Gilbert, Gonzales

Ms. Shelby Gilbert, Gonzales

Mr. Thomas Fauchaux, Luling

A motion was made by Councilmember Comardelle, seconded by Councilmember O'Daniels, to extend Mr. Fauchaux's time an additional three minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-7-5

Time Extended

Enactment No: 26-7-5

Speakers:

Mr. Thomas Fauchaux, Luling

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-7-5

Council Discussion

Councilman Comardelle spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié invited Ms. Julie Hebert Civil & Sports Design Engineering, LLC, to the podium to speak on the matter.

Ms. Julie Hebert spoke on the matter.

Councilman Comardelle spoke on the matter.

Ms. Julie Hebert spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman O'Daniels spoke on the matter.

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-7-5

**ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING
(INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)**[2026-0214](#)

An ordinance to amend the 2026 Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget, Amendment No. 1 to add revenues and transfers totaling of \$17,205,154, an addition of accumulated fund balance of \$65,875,729 and expenditures, including transfers, totaling of \$80,338,499 for all Governmental Funds for the purpose of adjusting beginning 2026 fund balances across all funds to match ending 2025 Final Budget balances and to re-apply various construction, architectural/engineering, and other fees unexpended in 2025 for Parish projects that were not completed during 2025 and apply them to 2026.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Finance

Reported:

Finance Department Recommended: Approval

Finance Director Grant Dussom spoke on the matter.

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-7-6

Council Discussion

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Mr. Dussom spoke on the matter.

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Mr. Dussom spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-7-6

2026-0222

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Lease Agreement between DJV, L.L.C. and St. Charles Parish for the River Parishes Workforce Development Board office space in St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and General Government Buildings

Reported:

General Government Buildings Recommended: Approval

Chairman Pilié stated that Administration requested the following amendments:

Amend 2nd whereas of ordinance to replace in its entirety with "WHEREAS, the current lease expires on September 30, 2025 and reconducted on a month to month basis, and it desires that St. Charles Parish enter into a new lease agreement in the same location."

Amend 1st page of Lease Agreement, Section 1. TERMS, by replacing 1. TERMS in its entirety to read as "1. TERMS: The term of this lease 1 year commencing August 1, 2026 and expiring July 31, 2027. The effective date of this lease will be August 1, 2026."

Chairman Pilié requested clarification from Legal Services Director Corey Oubre as to whether the proposed amendments constituted a substantial change.

Mr. Oubre stated this was not a substantial change.

Council Discussion

Councilman Comardelle spoke on the matter.

Legal Services Director Corey Oubre spoke on the matter.

Councilman Comardelle spoke on the matter.

A motion was made by Councilmember O'Daniels, seconded by Councilmember deBruler, to Amend File No. 2026-0222. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-7-7

2026-0222

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Lease Agreement between DJV, L.L.C. and St. Charles Parish for the River Parishes Workforce Development Board office space in St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and General Government Buildings

Amended

Enactment No: 26-7-7

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-7-7

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AS AMENDED**Yea:** 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler**Nay:** 0

Enactment No: 26-7-7

RESOLUTIONS[2026-0244](#)

A resolution approving and authorizing the Parish President to submit an application requesting grant funds from the Delta Regional Authority States' Economic Development Assistance Program for Phase 2 - Canadian Pacific Kansas City Railroad Culvert Crossing of the Fairfield and Oakland Conveyance Improvements Project in the amount of \$500,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval
Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened;

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville
Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.
Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.
Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.
Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.

Council Discussion

Councilwoman O'Daniels spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION**Yea:** 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler**Nay:** 0

Enactment No: 6918

APPOINTMENTS[2026-0204](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Communications District representing the St. Charles Parish Council.

Nominee:

Councilman Bob Fisher nominated Mr. Michael D. Heath.

Nomination(s) Accepted

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Fonseca, to Close Nomination(s) for File No. 2026-0204. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Nomination(s) Closed[2026-0205](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Communications District representing Emergency Medical Services as requested by the Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of St. Charles, Board of Commissioners.

Nominee:

Chairman Pilié stated that nomination provided by Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of St. Charles, Board of Commissioners, is Mr. Kevin Gauthier.

Nomination(s) Accepted

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to Close Nomination(s) for File No. 2026-0205. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Nomination(s) Closed[2026-0213](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Communications District representing the St. Charles Parish President's Office.

Nominee:

Chairman Pilié stated that nomination provided by the Parish President is Mr. Armond Bourque.

Nomination(s) Accepted

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to Close Nomination(s) for File No. 2026-0213. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Nomination(s) Closed

[2026-0207](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Library Board of Control as the District VI Representative.

Councilman Fisher requested that this item be deferred.

Chairman Pilié stated that this item will be deferred to the Monday, August 10th Council Meeting.

Deferred

[2026-0245](#)

Accept resignation of Mr. Johnny Bourgeois - St. Charles Parish Communications District representing the St. Charles Parish Firemen's Association.

Resignation Accepted by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Resignation Accepted

[2026-0246](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Communications District representing the St. Charles Parish Firemen's Association.

Vacancy Announced

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:35 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

Michelle Impastato
Council Secretary