



# St. Charles Parish

## Meeting Minutes

### Parish Council

St. Charles Parish  
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### Final

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

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**Monday, October 3, 2016**

**6:00 PM**

**Council Chambers, Courthouse**

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### ATTENDANCE

**Present** 8 - Wendy Benedetto, Paul J. Hogan, Terrell D. Wilson, Mary K. Clulee, John R. 'Dick' Gibbs, William Woodruff, Marilyn B. Bellock, and Julia Fisher-Perrier  
**Absent** 1 - Traci A. Fletcher

### Also Present

Executive Secretary Robin Delahoussaye, Legal Services Director Robert Raymond, Chief Administrative Officer Billy Raymond, Executive Director of Procurement, Personnel, and Government Buildings Darrin Duhe, Executive Director of Community Affairs Dwayne LaGrange, Executive Director of Technology and Communications Anthony Ayo, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works/Wastewater Director Clayton Fauchaux, Public Works Assistant Director and Contract Monitor Stephen Truitt, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Public Information Officer Tristan Babin, General Government Buildings Facilities Manager Philip Dufrene

### CALL TO ORDER

### PRAYER / PLEDGE

Pastor Chris Housewright  
Grace Point Church, Destrehan

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**A motion was made by Councilmember Gibbs, seconded by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of September 19, 2016. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

**SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)**[2016-0334](#)

Proclamation: "National Night Out"

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**A motion was made by Councilmember Gibbs, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to accept the revised version of File No. 2016-0334. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

**Amended**

[2016-0334](#)

Proclamation: "National Night Out"

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Read**

[2016-0348](#)

In Recognition: St. Rose Volunteer Fire Department

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Deferred**

[2016-0349](#)

Proclamation: "National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in St. Charles Parish"

**Sponsors:** Ms. Fisher-Perrier

**Read**

[2016-0350](#)

Proclamation: "Domestic Violence Awareness Month"

**Sponsors:** Ms. Benedetto

**Read**

[2016-0347](#)

Proclamation: "National 4-H Week"

**Sponsors:** Ms. Fletcher

**Read**

[2016-0351](#)

Proclamation: "Fire Prevention Week"

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Read**

**REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)**

[2016-0352](#)

The Arc of St. Charles

Ms. Victoria Bryant, Executive Director

Ms. Raven LaBiche, Director of Vocational Programs

Council Discussion

**Reported**

[2016-0353](#)

Contract Monitor

Public Works Assistant Director and Contract Monitor Stephen Truitt

Council Discussion

Mr. Truitt spoke on the matter.

**Reported**

[2016-0354](#)

Parish President Remarks/Report

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Deferred**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN BENEDETTO 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, OCTOBER 17, 2016, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2016-0357](#)

An ordinance to provide for the installation of an “**ALL-WAY STOP**” sign at the intersection of South Destrehan Avenue and Church Street in Destrehan.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Wilson

**Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on October 17, 2016**

[2016-0358](#)

An ordinance to authorize the Parish President to make full and final settlement in the matter entitled “**Wallace C. Drennan, Inc. vs. St. Charles Parish, et al**”, 29th Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Charles, No. 80,506 consolidated with 77453 and 77452-E.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran and Department of Legal Services

**Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on October 17, 2016**

[2016-0275](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Contract with Ready Power, LLC., for generator modifications and transfer switch at the St. Charles Parish Emergency Operations Center at 15026 River Road in Hahnville, Base bid in the amount of \$342,000.00, Parish Project No. P160501.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran and Department of Emergency Preparedness

**Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on October 17, 2016**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN BENEDETTO 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, ARE TO BE PUBLISHED IN SUMMARY FORM AS FOLLOWS IN THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL WITH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2016, 8:00 A.M.; THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2016, 6:00 P.M.; AND TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2016, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2016-0223](#)

An ordinance to approve and adopt the appropriation of Funds for the St. Charles Parish Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2017.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran and Department of Finance

**Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on October 25, 2016**

## PLANNING AND ZONING PETITIONS

[2016-0321](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification of Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and B9, Block A, Mimosa Park Subdivision, Luling from C-2 and R-1A to C-3, as requested by Corey Savoie.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Denial

Planning Commission Recommended: Denial

Speakers:

Mr. Corey Savoie, Luling

**A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, seconded by Councilmember Woodruff, to extend Mr. Savoie's time an additional three minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

Enactment No: 16-10-1

**Time Extended**

Enactment No: 16-10-1

**Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied**

Enactment No: 16-10-1

Council Discussion  
Mr. Savoie spoke on the matter.

**VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

**Yea:** 7 - Benedetto, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 1 - Hogan

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

Enactment No: 16-10-1

**ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING  
(INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)**[2016-0342](#)

An ordinance to supplement the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 17, Parks and Recreation to prohibit the carrying and possessing of concealed and open firearms upon any public or recreational park located within St. Charles Parish, Louisiana based on La. R.S. 40:1379.3(O). Section O of La. R.S. 40:1379.3 provides that a property owner, lessee, or other lawful custodian has the right to prohibit or restrict access of those persons possessing a concealed handgun from entering the premises for which the owner, lessee, or lawful custodian occupies. This provision shall not apply to commissioned law enforcement officers.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran and Department of Legal Services

Chief Administrative Officer Billy Raymond requested File No. 2016-0342 be postponed indefinitely.

**Public Hearing Requirements Not Satisfied**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Clulee, to Postpone Indefinitely File No 2016-0342. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

**Postponed Indefinitely**

[2016-0343](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of an Intergovernmental Participation Agreement with Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for use of the Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Justice Complex.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

Reported:

Parish President Recommended: Approval

Chief Administrative Officer Billy Raymond spoke on the matter.

**Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied**

Enactment No: 16-10-2

Council Discussion

Mr. Billy Raymond spoke on the matter.

Legal Services Director Robert Raymond spoke on the matter.

**VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

Enactment No: 16-10-2

[2016-0344](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Construction Contract with Sealevel Construction, Inc. for Parish Project No. P130301, Cortez Pump Station Capacity Increase and Upgrade (Re-Advertisement), in the amount of \$770,410.00.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval

**Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied**

Enactment No: 16-10-3

Council Discussion

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

**VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

Enactment No: 16-10-3

[2015-0341](#)

An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances for St. Charles Parish, Chapter 11 Health & Sanitation, Article III. Open Outdoor Burning, Section 11-29. Exceptions to prohibition against outdoor burning. (b) to provide specific restrictions for campfires, bonfires, and other fires and to amend Section 11-30. Violations and penalties. (b) to increase the fine for violations and penalties.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Hogan

Reported:

Councilman Hogan Recommended: Approval

**Public Hearing Requirements Not Satisfied**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Bellock, seconded by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, to Postpone Indefinitely and Referred to Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 7 - Benedetto, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 1 - Hogan

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

**Postponed Indefinitely and Referred to Committee**

[2016-0346](#)

An ordinance requiring that all public or recreational parks or facilities located within St. Charles Parish be fenced and have controlled access points equipped with metal detectors and sheriff deputies or other armed security personnel preventing all weapons from entering such facilities at all times during public use of such facilities should an ordinance ever become law which restricts a concealed carry permit holder from possessing or concealing a firearm at said facilities.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Hogan

Reported:

Councilman Hogan Recommended: Approval

Speakers:

Mr. Kurt Stevens, New Sarpy

Ms. Heather Imbraguglio, Destrehan

Councilman Hogan spoke on the matter.

**Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied**

Council Discussion

**A motion was made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to Postpone Indefinitely File No. 2016-0346. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier



**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

**Postponed Indefinitely**

[2016-0300](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Contract with E3 Electrical, Inc. of Houma, LA for the St. Charles Parish Planning & Zoning Building Emergency Stand-by Generator, Project # FEMA-1603-DR-LA-0079, in the amount of \$174,430.00.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran and General Government Buildings

Reported:

General Government Buildings Recommended: Approval

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Facilities Manager Philip Dufrene spoke on the matter.

**Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied**

Enactment No: 16-10-4

Council Discussion

Mr. Dufrene spoke on the matter.

**VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

Enactment No: 16-10-4

**APPOINTMENTS**

[2016-0355](#)

Accept resignation of Mr. John J. Landry, III - St. Charles Hospital Service District Board of Commissioners

**Resignation Accepted by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

**Resignation Accepted**

[2016-0356](#)

A resolution to appoint a member to the Hospital Service District.

Vacancy Announced

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilmember Woodruff, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:25 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yea:** 8 - Benedetto, Hogan, Wilson, Clulee, Gibbs, Woodruff, Bellock and Fisher-Perrier

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Fletcher

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.**

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**Tiffany K. Clark**  
**Council Secretary**