



# St. Charles Parish

## Meeting Minutes

### Parish Council

St. Charles Parish  
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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, February 5, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

### ATTENDANCE

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

**Absent** 1 - John R. 'Dick' Gibbs

### Also Present

Parish President Larry Cochran, 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 Bob Williams, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Public Information Officer Tristan Babin, Parks and Recreation Director Duane Foret, R.S.V.P. Director Michelle Higgins

### CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Vice-Chairman Wendy Benedetto.

### PRAYER / PLEDGE

Pastor Tim Buford  
First Baptist Church of Luling

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of January 8, 2018 and the regular meeting of January 22, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

**SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)**

[2018-0018](#)

Proclamation: "Krewe of G-Old Timers Day"

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Read**

[2018-0019](#)

Proclamation: "Krewe of Montz Day"

**Sponsors:** Ms. Fletcher

**Read**

[2018-0020](#)

Proclamation: "Hardline Mardi Gras Fest"

**Sponsors:** Ms. Clulee

**Read**

[2018-0021](#)

Proclamation: "Krewe of Lul Day"

**Sponsors:** Ms. Clulee

**Read**

[2018-0022](#)

In Recognition: Mr. Vernon Higgins and Mrs. Susette St. Amant Higgins -  
King and Queen, Krewe of Lul

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Read**

[2018-0023](#)

In Recognition: Mr. Maurice A. Loupe, Jr. - 2018 Grand Marshall, Krewe of  
Lul

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Read**

[2018-0024](#)

Proclamation: "Krewe of Des Allemands Day"

**Sponsors:** Mr. Woodruff

**Read**

[2018-0025](#)

In Recognition: Mr. Michael Cortez and Mrs. Mary Ann Kraemer Cortez - King and Queen, Krewe of Des Allemands

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Read**

[2018-0026](#)

In Recognition: Ms. Jane Fonseca - 2018 Grand Marshall, Krewe of Des Allemands

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Read**

[2018-0027](#)

In Recognition: Ms. Ruby Peltier Fonseca - 2018 Grand Marshall, Krewe of Des Allemands

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Read**

[2018-0028](#)

Peanut Butter Collection Drive - Mr. Austin Reeder, CEO, and Mr. Alden Bishop, Associate Administrator, St. Charles Hospital

**Sponsors:** Mr. Gibbs

**Read**

## **REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)**

[2018-0029](#)

Housing Authority

**Deferred**

[2018-0030](#)

Parish President Remarks/Report

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

**Not Reported**

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, ACTING 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, FEBRUARY 26, 2018, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:**

[2018-0032](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of an Agreement Regarding Donations and an Act of Donation between St. Charles Parish and Monsanto Company (Monsanto).

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran, Grants Office and Department of Economic Development and Tourism

**Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 26, 2018**

[2018-0033](#)

An ordinance to amend the 2018 Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget to add Community Improvement Grant Revenues from Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP in the amount of \$2 million to Drainage Fund 112-420260 - Drainage - with the sole purpose of funding Montz Drainage Improvements and to correspondingly add \$2 million to Improvements other than Buildings - Montz Drainage to Fund 112-420260.

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

**Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 26, 2018**

[2018-0014](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Construction Contract with Pontchartrain Partners, LLC for Project No. P080905-5C, Ellington Levee - Phase II Project, as part of the West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee Project, in the amount of \$3,520,084.30.

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

**Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 26, 2018**

**ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING  
(INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)**[2017-0352](#)

An ordinance to amend St. Charles Parish Subdivision Regulations of 1981, to provide that a subdivider or developer is required to pay the cost of construction testing and not construction inspections.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Hogan

Reported:

Councilman Hogan Recommended: Approval

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval

Planning Commission Recommended: Approval

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Mr. Evan Loukadakis, representing the Homebuilders Association of Greater New Orleans

**Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied**

Enactment No: 18-2-1

Council Discussion

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

**VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

Enactment No: 18-2-1

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

**A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to accept the revised version of File No. 2018-0014 and the revised Contract. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

**Amended**

2018-0014

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Construction Contract with Pontchartrain Partners, LLC for Project No. P080905-5C, Ellington Levee - Phase II Project, as part of the West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee Project, in the amount of \$3,520,084.30.

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

Senior Projects Manager Sam Scholle requested that File No. 2018-0014 be postponed indefinitely and reintroduced for public hearing on Monday, February 26, 2018.

**Public Hearing Requirements Not Satisfied**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, seconded by Councilmember Clulee, to Postpone Indefinitely and Reintroduce File No. 2018-0014 for public hearing on Monday, February 26, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

**Postponed Indefinitely and Reintroduced**2018-0015

An ordinance approving, authorizing, and requiring the execution of an Agreement to Donate a portion of property by RNW Community, L.L.C. to St. Charles Parish in connection with the proposed construction of a public boat launch in Des Allemands, Louisiana.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Hogan

Reported:

Councilman Hogan Recommended: Approval

Speakers:

Mr. Cory Savoie, Luling

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

**Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied**

Council Discussion

Councilman Hogan motioned to Table File No. 2017-0311; motion failed for lack of a second.

Further 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. 2018-0015. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

**Postponed Indefinitely**

## **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN TABLED**

### [2018-0007](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of an Act of Donation of portion of property by RNW Community, L.L.C. to St. Charles Parish in connection with the proposed construction of a public boat launch in Des Allemands, Louisiana.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Hogan

**Remained Tabled**

### [2017-0417](#)

A resolution to re-create the St. Charles Parish Coastal Zone Advisory Committee.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Cochran

File No. 2017-0417 Postponed Indefinitely per Parish Council Rule 8. #8.  
Ordinances/Resolutions Which Have Been Tabled [Shall only appear on two (2) subsequent regular meeting Agendas]

**Postponed Indefinitely (Council Rule 8)**

### [2018-0006](#)

A resolution providing mandatory support for the Planning and Zoning Commission's approval to expand a religious institution on Lot C, Square C, Oakland Estates Subdivision, municipal address 10328 River Road, St. Rose, with a waiver to setback requirements, specifically item B.I.1.c.(4) under Section VI. Zoning District Criteria and Regulations, of the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance.

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

**Remained Tabled**

**RESOLUTIONS**2018-0016

A resolution providing mandatory support for the Planning and Zoning Commission's approval to expand a barroom on Lot A-1-A, Ford Subdivision, municipal address 13459 Highway 90, Boutte.

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

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval w/Stipulation Approval with the following stipulations:

1. That minor adjustments to the submitted site plan can be approved through the building permit process.
2. That if the sheriff continues to receive noise complaints this issue can be reviewed by the Planning Department and the business license can be revoked.

Planning Commission Recommended: Approval w/Stipulation Approval with the following stipulations:

1. That minor adjustments to the submitted site plan can be approved through the building permit process.
2. That if the sheriff continues to receive noise complaints this issue can be reviewed by the Planning Department and the business license can be revoked.

Public comment opened; no public comment

Council Discussion

**VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

Enactment No: 6330



2018-0017

A resolution providing supporting authorization to endorse the Planning Commission's approval of a revised Preliminary Plat for River Road Estates, 101 lots and a remaining Parcel X in Sections 5 & 7, T12S-R20E and Sections 31 & 33, T13S-R20E, Hahnville, with a waiver from the required width for drainage. Property owner, Cypress Ventures, LLC; applicant, River Road Estates, LLC.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Wilson

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval w/Stipulation - Approval with the following stipulations:

1. The Preliminary Plat is replaced with the Construction Plat.
2. Waiver from 30 ft. minimum width for drainage servitude is granted.

Planning Commission Recommended: Approval w/Stipulation - Approval with the following stipulations:

1. The Preliminary Plat is replaced with the Construction Plat.
2. Waiver from 30 ft. minimum width for drainage servitude is granted.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Clulee, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to accept the revised version of File No. 2018-0017. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

Enactment No: 6331

**Amended**

Enactment No: 6331

[2018-0017](#)

A resolution providing supporting authorization to endorse the Planning Commission's approval of a revised Preliminary Plat for River Road Estates, 101 lots and a remaining Parcel X in Sections 5 & 7, T12S-R20E and Sections 31 & 33, T13S-R20E, Hahnville, with a waiver from the required width for drainage. Property owner, Cypress Ventures, LLC; applicant, River Road Estates, LLC.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Wilson

Councilman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened

Mr. Gerald Tregre, Hahnville

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

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Mr. Matt Falati, Meyer Engineers, Metairie, representing the developer

Council Discussion

Mr. Falati spoke on the matter.

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Mr. Fauchaux spoke on the matter.

**VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION AS AMENDED**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

Enactment No: 6331

**SPECIAL MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL**

[2018-0031](#)

Executive Session: Personnel

**Sponsors:** Mr. Wilson

**A motion was made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Woodruff, to go into Executive Session. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

**Heard in Executive Session**

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

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

**Returned**

Legal Services Director Robert Raymond stated that he believes that the council has to give a very general, nonspecific description of business that was discussed in executive session.

Acting Chairman Benedetto explained that Executive Session was regarding Council Personnel.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Fletcher, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:21 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Gibbs

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

  

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