

St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

St. Charles Parish Courthouse 15045 Highway 18 P.O. Box 302 Hahnville, LA 70057 985-783-5000 www.stcharlesparish.gov

Final

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

Monday, September 9, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

ATTENDANCE

Present 8 - Michael A. Mobley, Holly Fonseca, La Sandra D. Wilson, Heather Skiba, Walter

Pilié, Michelle O'Daniels, Bob Fisher, and Michele deBruler

Absent 1 - Willie Comardelle

Also Present

Parish President Matthew Jewell, Legal Services Director Corey Oubre, Chief Administrative Officer Mike Palamone, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Samantha de Castro, Executive Director of Technology and Cybersecurity Anthony Ayo, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works Director Miles Bingham, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Eric Zurcher, Public Information Office, Blaine Faucheux, Public Information Office

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER

Sabrina Phillips, German Coast Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution

PLEDGE

Sheila Curry, Executive Board Daughters of the American Revolution

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of August 19, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

2024-0291

Proclamation: "Constitution Week"

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

2024-0292

Proclamation: "National Child Passenger Safety Week" and "National

Seat Check Saturday"

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

2024-0293

Proclamation: "King Kat Fishing Tournament Weekend"

Sponsors: Ms. Wilson

Read

2024-0294

Proclamation: "National Hunting and Fishing Day"

Sponsors: Mr. Comardelle

Read

2024-0290

Local Board of Review - 2024 Assessment - Regular Meeting, September 23, 2024, 6PM, Council Chambers, Courthouse

Sponsors: Mr. Fisher

September 12-26, Parish Council Review Period

Announced

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

2024-0295

Department of Finance

Finance Director Grant Dussom introduced Ms. Amy Verberne, CPA with Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC to present audit report.

Ms. Amy Verberne, CPA with Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC spoke on the matter.

Reported

2024-0296

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Parish President Matthew Jewell reported.

Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter. President Jewell spoke on the matter.

Chief Administrative Officer Mike Palamone spoke on the matter.

Councilman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Reported

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN FISHER 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, SEPTEMBER 23, 2024, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

2024-0298

An ordinance creating the "Highway 90 Economic Development District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana" to encourage economic development projects in accordance with and as authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; defining the boundaries thereof; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing.

<u>Sponsors:</u> Mr. Jewell and Department of Economic Development and Tourism

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 23, 2024

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, to revise Chapter 3, Alcoholic Beverages, Article I., In General, Sec. 3-1., Location restrictions. (a) to add a procedure allowing the Parish Council to waive the 500 foot distance requirement for the issuance of a retailer (package house) alcohol license.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 23, 2024

2024-0302

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 2 (Final) for the Primrose Canal Cleaning and Improvements - Phase 1A (Project No. P210202), to increase the contract amount by \$30,720.00 and increase the contract time by 6 days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 23, 2024

2024-0303

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Contract with NCMC, LLC for the Destrehan Wastewater Treatment Plant Aeration Basin Rehabilitation (Project No. S211202), in the amount of \$3,952,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Wastewater

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 23, 2024

2024-0304

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Contract with Jones Construction Solutions, LLC, for the East Bank Bridge Park Improvements (Project No. RECEBI23), in the amount of \$3,693,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Parks and Recreation

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 23, 2024

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8, Elections, Sec. 8-2., Visible voting precinct boundaries and polling places., to provide for a permanent change of Polling Places for Precincts 4-1 and 4-1A.

Sponsors: Mr. Comardelle

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 23, 2024

PLANNING AND ZONING PETITIONS

2024-0286

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A and R-1M to R-1A(M) on Lot C, Block 5, Hahnville Subdivision, between 163 and 147 Hahn Street, Hahnville as requested by Marvin and Enica Singleton.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Denial Planning Commission Recommended: Approval

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Speakers:

Mr. Marvin Singleton, Hahnville Ms. Enica Singleton, Hahnville

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 24-9-1

Council Discussion

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

Enactment No: 24-9-1

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A, R-3, and C-3 to O-L and M-1 on approximately 250 acres designated Tract L, Davis Plantation, Luling as requested by Traci L. Johnson for Luling Exchange, LLC.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Chairman Fisher stated the Council received a request on behalf of IMTT to withdraw the application for Luling Exchange, LLC as it relates to File No. <u>2024-0289</u>. The Administration has confirmed request. In addition, this matter is currently pending litigation. With the aforementioned stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Fonseca, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to Postponed Indefinitely File No. 2024-0289. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

Postponed Indefinitely

ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING (INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)

2024-0281

An ordinance to levy an assessment on the 2023 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.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 24-9-2

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

Enactment No: 24-9-2

2024-0285

An ordinance approving a Special Permit Use for a bingo hall in a C-3 district on a Portion of Lot 31, Ellington Plantation, Luling as requested by Abdel R. Ennabut for Nabut Brothers, 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.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 24-9-3

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

Enactment No: 24-9-3

2024-0287

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 for the Willowdale Turn Lane (Project No. P230804), to increase the contract amount by \$87,641.69 and increase the contract time by forty-four (44) days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 24-9-4

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

Enactment No: 24-9-4

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 for Engineer's Canal Phase 1 Bank Stabilization (Project No. P190301), to decrease the contract amount by \$52,995.00 and decrease the contract time by forty-four (44) days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 24-9-5

Council Discussion

Mr. Bingham spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

Enactment No: 24-9-5

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN TABLED

2024-0269

A resolution authorizing the publication of a notice of intention to create Highway 90 Economic Development District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, under the authority of Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; providing for the employment of special counsel; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Economic Development and Tourism

File No. 2024-0269 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)

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

2024-0300

Mr. Steven Huffman: Davis Heights rezoning, Luling Land Exchange 15-R

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Mr. Huffman spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman Fonseca spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman O'Daniels spoke on the matter.

Heard

RESOLUTION OPENED PURSUANT TO LA. R.S. 33:9038.32 TO HEAR ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE CREATION OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO BE CALLED HIGHWAY 90 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 AT THE PUBLIC MEETING ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE:

2024-0283

A resolution authorizing the publication of a notice of intention to create Highway 90 Economic Development District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, under the authority of Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; providing for the employment of special counsel; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Economic Development and Tourism

Public comment opened

Mr. Joseph Coco, Destrehan

Chairman Fisher spoke on the matter.

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Mr. Coco spoke on the matter.

Mr. Joseph Coco had no objection.

Mr. Devin Hillburn, Luling

Chairman Fisher spoke on the matter.

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Mr. Hillburn spoke on the matter.

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Mr. Devin Hillburn objected.

PUBLIC COMMENT OPENED PURSUANT TO L.A. R.S. 33:9038.32 TO HEAR ANY OBJECTIONS

Enactment No: 6790

RESOLUTIONS

2024-0297

A resolution requesting the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development (DOTD) install climb deterrent barriers on the Hale Boggs Memorial Bridge.

<u>Sponsors:</u> Ms. Wilson, Ms. Fonseca, Ms. Skiba, Mr. Pilié, Ms. O'Daniels, Mr. Fisher and Ms. deBruler

Reported:

Councilwoman Wilson Recommended: Approval Councilwoman Fonseca Recommended: Approval Councilwoman Skiba Recommended: Approval Councilman Pilié Recommended: Approval Councilwoman O'Daniels Recommended: Approval Councilman Fisher Recommended: Approval Councilwoman deBruler Recommended: Approval Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened Mr. Steve Huffman, Luling

Council Discussion

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Mr. Huffman spoke on the matter.

Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.

Further Council Discussion

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

Enactment No: 6792

APPOINTMENTS

2024-0301

A resolution to confirm the appointment of Mr. Brandon Savoie as a representative to the South Central Planning & Development Commission.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. BRANDON SAVOIE

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

Enactment No: 6793

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember O'Daniels, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:30 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 8 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Comardelle

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

Michelle Impastato
Council Secretary