



St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

Final

St. Charles Parish
Courthouse
15045 Highway 18
P.O. Box 302
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v

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

Monday, August 28, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

ATTENDANCE

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

Absent 1 - Marilyn B. Bellock

Also Present

Parish President Larry Cochran, 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 Faucheux, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Grants Officer Carla Chiasson, Public Information Officer Tristan Babin, Waterworks Director Robbie Brou

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.

PRAYER / PLEDGE

Reverend Ralph Young
Bell Baptist Church, Luling

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Clulee, seconded by Councilmember Gibbs, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of August 14, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

[2017-0269](#)

In Recognition: Jewel Pomeroy, Miss St. Charles Parish Festival Queen LIX

Sponsors: Ms. Fletcher

Read

[2017-0270](#)

In Recognition: Kinyson Voges, Teen Miss St. Charles Parish Festival Queen XXII

Sponsors: Ms. Fletcher

Read

[2017-0266](#)

Proclamation: "Gospel Festival Weekend"

Sponsors: Ms. Fisher-Perrier

Read

[2017-0268](#)

Proclamation: "National Child Passenger Safety Week" and "National Seat Check Saturday"

Sponsors: Mr. Wilson

Read

[2017-0271](#)

Proclamation: "American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Month"

Sponsors: Ms. Clulee

Read

[2017-0272](#)

In Recognition: Sara Edler, 2017 Relay for Life Princess

Sponsors: Ms. Benedetto

Read

[2017-0273](#)

In Recognition: Chad Grosch, II, 2017 Relay for Life Prince

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan

Read

[2017-0277](#)

A resolution recognizing and approving the execution of the Bond Purchase Agreement and Official Statement regarding the issuance and sale of Limited Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2017A, of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Bond Counsel

Reported:

Parish President Recommended: Approval
Mr. M. Jason Akers, representing Foley & Judell, L.L.P., spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville
Finance Director Grant Dussom spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 6301

[2017-0274](#)

Local Board of Review - 2017 Assessment - Regular Meeting, September 18, 2017, 6PM, Council Chambers, Courthouse

Sponsors: Mr. Wilson

September 8 - 22, Parish Council Review Period

Announced

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

[2017-0275](#)

Department of Public Works

Report Deferred

[2017-0276](#)

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran

Reported

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN WILSON 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 18, 2017, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2017-0278](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Contract for Engineering Services with Civil and Environmental Consulting Engineers, for necessary professional engineering services associated with Parish Project No. P150801-2 Ama Drainage Improvements.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 18, 2017

Enactment No: 17-9-1

[2017-0286](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of an Agreement between St. Charles Parish and The Fatty Shack restaurant to provide Professional Concessions Services at the Edward A. Dufresne Community Center.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Parks and Recreation

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 18, 2017

Enactment No: 17-9-2

[2017-0287](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of Change Order No. 1 to Amendment No. 5 as adopted by Ordinance No. 16-7-5 for Project Number P080905-1D West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee Professional Services, as part of the West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee Project.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 18, 2017

Enactment No: 17-9-3

[2017-0288](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a contract with ICON Construction Group, LLC, for the construction of a new concessions building at the West Bank Bridge Park in Luling.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Parks and Recreation

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 18, 2017

Enactment No: 17-9-4

[2017-0289](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources (LDNR) for "St. Charles Parish Local Coastal Program Implementation".

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran, Department of Planning & Zoning and Coastal Zone Management Section

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on September 18, 2017

Enactment No: 17-9-5

**ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING
(INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)**

[2017-0156](#)

An ordinance to amend Appendix A St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, Section X. Exceptions and modifications., to amend E. Outdoor Donation Bins and Collection Receptacles.

Sponsors: Mr. Hogan

Reported:

Councilman Hogan Recommended: Approval

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Council Discussion
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Proposed ordinance failed for lack of a majority by the following vote:

Yea: 4 - Hogan, Wilson, Clulee and Woodruff

Nay: 4 - Benedetto, Gibbs, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Failed

[2017-0258](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Contract by and between the Parish of St. Charles and Debris Tech, LLC for Storm Debris Monitoring 2017, Parish Project No. P170302.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Mr. Kermit Kraemer, Tetra Tech, Senior Project Manager, Disaster Programs

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 17-8-10

Council Discussion

Parish President Larry Cochran spoke on the matter.

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

Executive Director of Procurement, Government Buildings, & Economic Development
Darrin Duhe spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-10

[2017-0259](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Federally Funded Agreement with the State of Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for funding in the amount of \$93,750.00 to install a permanent generator at the East Bank Regional Library in Destrehan.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 17-8-11

Council Discussion

Parish President Larry Cochran spoke on the matter.

Finance Director Grant Dussom spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-11

[2017-0260](#)

An ordinance to authorize the sales by St. Charles Parish for properties located at Lots 11, 12 & Pt. 13 Barreca St., Norco (Barreca Tower Site), Lot 119 Gordon St., Destrehan (Gordon Tower Site), Lot A Diane Pl., St. Rose (Dianne Place Tower Site), and Lots 45 & 47 Gordon St., Destrehan (Gordon Booster Station); and to approve and authorize the attached Listing Agreement with Sperry Van Ness/Gilmore Auction & Realty Company to act as St. Charles Parish's designated agent/auctioneer for the sales.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Waterworks

Chief Administrative Officer Billy Raymond spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Not Satisfied

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, seconded by Councilmember Hogan, to Postpone Indefinitely File No. 2017-0260. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Postponed Indefinitely

[2017-0261](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Services Contract by and between St. Charles Parish and Barowka and Bonura Engineers and Consultants, L.L.C. for FEMA Public Assistance Program Services.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 17-8-12

Council Discussion

Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-12

[2017-0262](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of Change Order No. 1 for the West Bank "A" Plant Clarifier Refurbishment (Project No. WWKS 90) to increase the contract time by 90 calendar days and to increase the contract amount by \$117,606.01.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Waterworks

Reported:

Waterworks Department Recommended: Approval

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 17-8-13

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-13

[2017-0263](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of Lease Agreement between St. Charles Parish and Gator Cove Marina II, LLC for a Westbank Boat Launch.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Parks and Recreation

Reported:

Parks & Recreation Department Recommended: Approval
Executive Director of Procurement, Government Buildings, & Economic Development
Darrin Duhe spoke on the matter.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gibbs, seconded by Councilmember Benedetto, to accept the revised version of the Lease Agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-14

Amended

Enactment No: 17-8-14

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville
Mr. Bruce McDonald, Luling
Legal Services Director Robert Raymond spoke on the matter.

A motion was made by Councilmember Woodruff, seconded by Councilmember Gibbs, to extend Mr. McDonald's time an additional three minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-14

Time Extended

Enactment No: 17-8-14

Speakers:

- Mr. Kevin Gaubert, Luling
- Mr. Raymond Fonseca, Des Allemands
- Mr. Barry Guillot, Luling
- Mr. Brian Landry, Destrehan
- Mr. Craig Howat, Hahnville

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 17-8-14

Council Discussion

- Parish President Larry Cochran spoke on the matter.
- Mr. Danny Hebert, Civil & Environmental Consulting Engineers, LLC, spoke on the matter.
- Ms. Julie Hebert, Coastal Permitting, LLC, spoke on the matter.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Woodruff, to Table File No. 2017-0263. The motion failed by the following vote:

- Yea:** 3 - Hogan, Wilson and Woodruff
- Nay:** 5 - Benedetto, Clulee, Gibbs, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-14

Motion Failed

Enactment No: 17-8-14

Further Council Discussion

- Mr. Cochran spoke on the matter.
- Public Works/Wastewater Director Clayton Fauchaux spoke on the matter.
- Chief Administrative Officer Billy Raymond spoke on the matter.
- Mr. Hebert spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman Clulee explained her reason for abstaining for File No. 2017-0263 as well as File No. 2017-0264.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AS AMENDED

- Yea:** 5 - Benedetto, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier
- Nay:** 2 - Hogan and Wilson
- Abstain:** 1 - Clulee
- Absent:** 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-14

[2017-0264](#)

An ordinance approving the Donation of Servitude by Mary Keller wife of/and Neal J. Clulee to St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Parks and Recreation

Reported:

Parks & Recreation Department Recommended: Approval
Executive Director of Procurement, Government Buildings, and Economic Development
Darrin Duhe spoke on the matter.

Speakers:

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 17-8-15

Council Discussion

Legal Services Director Robert Raymond spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman Clulee previously explained her reason for abstaining on File No. 2017-0263 as well as File No. 2017-0264.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 6 - Benedetto, Wilson, Gibbs, Woodruff, Fletcher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 1 - Hogan

Abstain: 1 - Clulee

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-15

[2017-0265](#)

An ordinance to levy an assessment on the 2017 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, Article IV, Sec. 16-48(b).

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Planning & Zoning

A motion was made by Councilmember Benedetto, seconded by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, to accept the revised version of "Exhibit A" (Ad Valorem Report). The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-16

Amended

Enactment No: 17-8-16

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval
Chief Administrative Officer Billy Raymond spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 17-8-16

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AS AMENDED

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 17-8-16

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

[2017-0267](#)

Mr. Larry Saint-Germain: Construction of media crossing at Houmas Place

Heard

RESOLUTIONS

[2017-0279](#)

A resolution providing supporting authorization to the Department of Public Works for use of the Inspection Guidance documents for Ashton Plantation Subdivision Phase 2A.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval

Public comment opened

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Council Discussion

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

Legal Services Director Robert Raymond spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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

Nay: 1 - Hogan

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 6302

[2017-0280](#)

A resolution providing supporting authorization to the Department of Public Works for use of the Inspection Guidance documents for Audubon Place Subdivision.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval

Public comment opened

Mr. Milton Allemand, Hahnville

Council Discussion

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

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 6303

[2017-0281](#)

A resolution authorizing St. Charles Parish to prepare and submit an application to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (hereinafter the "Department") through the Sport Fish Restoration (Wallop-Breaux) program for assistance in the implementation of the construction of the first phase of the Hwy. 90 Boat Launch; providing for necessary documentation of the need for the construction and providing other matters in connection therewith.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval

Public comment opened; no public comment

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 6304

[2017-0282](#)

A resolution authorizing St. Charles Parish to prepare and submit an application to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (hereinafter the "Department") through the Sport Fish Restoration (Wallop-Breaux) program for assistance in the implementation of the construction of the first phase of the Des Allemands Boat Launch; providing for necessary documentation of the need for the construction and providing other matters in connection therewith.

Sponsors: Mr. Cochran and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval

Public comment opened; no public comment

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 6305

APPOINTMENTS

[2017-0242](#)

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Gibbs, seconded by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, to defer File No. 2017-0242. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Deferred

[2017-0257](#)

Council Ex-Officio Appointment to the Board of Directors of the Arc of St. Charles.

A motion was made by Councilmember Fletcher, seconded by Councilmember Gibbs, to defer File No. 2017-0257. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Deferred

[2017-0283](#)

A resolution to appoint Lieutenant Sam Zinna to the St. Charles Parish Communications District representing the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office.

VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF LIEUTENANT SAM ZINNA

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

Enactment No: 6306

[2017-0284](#)

A resolution to appoint a member to the Industrial Development Board.

Vacancy Announced

[2017-0285](#)

A resolution to appoint a member to the Industrial Development Board.

Vacancy Announced

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, seconded by Councilmember Fletcher, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:48 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Bellock

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

Tiffany K. Clark
Council Secretary