



St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

St. Charles Parish
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Final

Council Chairman Bob Fisher
Councilmembers Beth A. Billings, Holly Fonseca,
La Sandra Darensbourg Gordon, Mary K. Clulee, Dick Gibbs,
Nicky Dufrene, Marilyn B. Bellock, Julia Fisher-Perrier

Monday, January 10, 2022

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

ATTENDANCE

Present 9 - Beth A. Billings, Holly Fonseca, La Sandra Darensbourg Gordon, Mary K. Clulee, Dick Gibbs, Nicky Dufrene, Marilyn B. Bellock, Bob Fisher, and Julia Fisher-Perrier

Also Present

Parish President Matthew Jewell, Legal Services Director Corey Oubre, Legal Services Assistant Director Robert Raymond, Chief Administrative Officer Mike Palamone, Chief Operations Officer Darrin Duhe, Executive Director of Technology and Cybersecurity Anthony Ayo, Director of Communications/Public Information Officer Samantha de Castro, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works/Wastewater Director Miles Bingham, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Luis Martinez, GIS Specialist, Blaine Fauchoux, Public Information Office

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER / PLEDGE

Pastor Thomas Hines
Hope Church, Destrehan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Gibbs, seconded by Councilmember Billings, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of December 6, 2021, and the regular meeting of December 20, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs, Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

[2021-0330](#)

In Recognition: Councilwoman Marilyn B. Bellock, 2021 Council Chairman

Sponsors: Mr. Fisher

Read

[2021-0331](#)

In Recognition: Councilman Bob Fisher, 2021 Council Vice-Chairman

Sponsors: Ms. Billings

Read

[2021-0332](#)

Proclamation: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Sponsors: Ms. Darensbourg Gordon

Read

[2021-0333](#)

In Recognition: St. Charles Catholic High School Comets Football, 2021 LHSAA Division III State Champions

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

[2021-0292](#)

An ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of not exceeding Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) of Hurricane Recovery Revenue Notes of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Bond Counsel

Reported:

Bond Counsel Recommended: Approval
Mr. Jason Akers, representing Foley & Judell, L.L.P, spoke on the matter.

A motion was made by Councilmember Fonseca, seconded by Councilmember Fisher-Perrier, to accept the revised version of File No. 2021-0292. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs, Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 22-1-1

Amended

Enactment No: 22-1-1

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Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Bond Counsel

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 22-1-1

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AS AMENDED

Yea: 9 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs, Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 22-1-1

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

[2022-0006](#)

GIS (Geographic Information Systems)

Mr. Luis Martinez, Geographic Information System Specialist

Chairman Fisher spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Clulee spoke on the matter.
Mr. Martinez spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Fisher-Perrier spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Bellock spoke on the matter.

Reported

[2022-0007](#)

German Coast Farmers' Market

Ms. Ann Montgomery, German Coast Farmers' Market President

Councilwoman Clulee spoke on the matter.

Reported

[2022-0008](#)

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Councilwoman Fisher-Perrier spoke on the matter.
Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Clulee spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Billings spoke on the matter.
Chairman Fisher 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, JANUARY 24, 2022, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2021-0334](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Kyle Associates, LLC, to perform engineering services for Norco Force Main Transfer Station (Project No. S211101), not to exceed \$425,200.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works/Wastewater

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on January 24, 2022

Enactment No: 22-1-4

[2021-0335](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Meyer Engineers, Ltd. for Destrehan Wastewater Treatment Plant Aeration Basin Rehabilitation (Project No. S211202), not to exceed \$30,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works/Wastewater

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on January 24, 2022

Enactment No: 22-1-5

[2021-0336](#)

An ordinance to authorize the Parish President to make full and final settlement in the matters entitled "*Industrial and Mechanical Contractors, Inc. vs. St. Charles Parish*", 29th Judicial District Court of St. Charles Parish, Docket No. 84,056 consolidated with "*St. Charles Parish vs. Industrial and Mechanical Contractors, Inc., et al*", 29th Judicial District Court of St. Charles Parish, Docket No. 84,689.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Legal Services

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on January 24, 2022

Enactment No: 22-1-6

[2022-0009](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 (Final) for Parish Project No P190902, Spillway Road Rehabilitation, to increase the contract amount by \$63,991.18, and increase the contract time by 60 days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works/Wastewater

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on January 24, 2022

Enactment No: 22-1-7

[2022-0010](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a contract with APC Construction, LLC, for Parish Project No. P210601 Des Allemands Emergency Bulkhead, with a Bid in the amount of \$1,908,019.20.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works/Wastewater

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on January 24, 2022

Enactment No: 22-1-8

PLANNING AND ZONING PETITIONS

[2021-0324](#)

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 a 5,100 sq. ft. portion of Lot 2, Palmer Lane, Ama, as requested by Michelle Petit on behalf of the property owner, Curtis Petit, Jr.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Denial due to not meeting any of the rezoning guidelines.

Planning Commission Recommended: Denial due to not meeting any of the rezoning guidelines.

Speakers:

Ms. Michelle Petit, Bayou Gauche

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: 0

Nay: 9 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs, Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher and Fisher-Perrier

Failed

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

[2021-0225](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with EJES Inc., to perform engineering services for Kinler and Paul Frederick Roadway and Drainage Improvements Project No. P210704, not exceed \$385,955.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 22-1-2

Council Discussion
Public Works/Wastewater Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.
Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs, Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 22-1-2

[2021-0328](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement between St. Charles Parish and South Central Planning and Development Commission to develop a Reapportionment Plan based on the 2020 Census, not to exceed \$30,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Fisher

Reported:
Councilman Fisher Recommended: Approval

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 22-1-3

Council Discussion
Mr. Kevin Belanger, Chief Executive Officer, South Central Planning and Development Commission, spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs, Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 22-1-3

RESOLUTIONS

[2021-0337](#)

A resolution requesting the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development to install signal lights at the intersection of U.S. Highway 90 westbound and LA 182 in Raceland.

Sponsors: Ms. Fonseca

Reported:

Councilwoman Fonseca Recommended: Approval
Public comment opened; no public comment

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs, Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6611

SPECIAL MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL

[2022-0001](#)

Appointment of Councilman Nicky Dufrene as Chairman to the Operations, Maintenance, and Construction Management Committee

Council Chairman named Councilman Nicky Dufrene to act as Chairman.

Confirmed

[2022-0002](#)

Appointment of Councilman Dick Gibbs as Chairman to the Legislative Committee

Council Chairman named Councilman Dick Gibbs to act as Chairman.

Confirmed

[2022-0003](#)

Appointment of Councilwoman Holly Fonseca as Chairman to the Contract/Finance and Administrative Committee

Council Chairman named Councilwoman Holly Fonseca to act as Chairman.

Confirmed

[2022-0004](#)

Appointment of Councilwoman La Sandra Darensbourg Gordon as Chairman to the Special Projects/Public Safety, Health, and Environmental Committee

Council Chairman named Councilwoman La Sandra Darensbourg Gordon to act as Chairman.

Confirmed

[2022-0005](#)

Appointment of Councilwoman Julia Fisher-Perrier as Chairman to the Hurricane Protection Projects Committee

Council Chairman named Councilwoman Julia Fisher-Perrier to act as Chairman.

Confirmed

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Dufrene, seconded by Councilmember Gibbs, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:22 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs, Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher and Fisher-Perrier

Nay: 0

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

**Michelle Impastato
Council Secretary**