



St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

St. Charles Parish
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Final

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

Monday, March 2, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

ATTENDANCE

Present 9 - Michael A. Mobley, Holly Fonseca, La Sandra D. Wilson, Heather Skiba, Walter Pilié, Willie Comardelle, Michelle O'Daniels, Bob Fisher, and Michele deBruler

Also Present

Parish President Matthew Jewell, Legal Services Director Corey Oubre, Legal Services Assistant Director Robert Raymond, Chief Administrative Officer Mike Palamone, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Samantha de Castro, Chief Operations Officer Darrin Duhe, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works Director Miles Bingham, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Marny Stein, Planning Administrator, Clay Ledet, Coastal Zone Management Administrator, Waterworks Director Gregory Gorden, Parks and Recreation Director Duane Foret, Michelle Impastato, Council Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER / PLEDGE

Reverend Carvin Smith
Philadelphia Baptist Church, Hahnville

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Fonseca, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of February 9, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

[2026-0071](#)

Proclamation: "French Language and Heritage Day"
"Le Jour de langue et d'héritage français"

Sponsors: Mr. Comardelle

Read

[2026-0072](#)

In Recognition: Vicki Carter, Board of Adjustment

Sponsors: Ms. Skiba

Read

[2026-0073](#)

Proclamation: "Disability Awareness Month in St. Charles Parish"

Sponsors: Ms. Skiba

Read

[2026-0074](#)

Proclamation: "Arc Fest in St. Charles Parish"

Sponsors: Ms. Skiba

Read

[2026-0075](#)

Proclamation: "Retired Teachers Day in St. Charles Parish"

Sponsors: Ms. deBruler

Read

[2026-0076](#)

Proclamation: "Lions Month in St. Charles Parish"

Sponsors: Ms. Fonseca

Read

[2026-0077](#)

Proclamation: "National Kidney Month" and "World Kidney Day" in St. Charles Parish

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié

Read

[2026-0078](#)

Proclamation: "Problem Gambling Awareness Month"

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié

Read

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

[2026-0069](#)

Department of Parks & Recreation/Edward A. Dufresne Community Center/Prime Time Seniors

Parks & Recreation Director Duane Foret reported.

Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Mr. Foret spoke on the matter.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Reported

[2026-0070](#)

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Parish President Matthew Jewell reported.

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

President Jewell spoke on the matter.

Reported

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN PILIÉ 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, MARCH 16, 2026, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2026-0082](#)

An ordinance to amend Ordinance 81-10-6, the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, as amended, Appendix A. Section VII. Supplemental use and performance regulations.: *Solar Energy System, Large (LSES)* to add development standards.

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié and Ms. O'Daniels

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on March 16, 2026

[2026-0083](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18 - Personnel, Article I. In General, Section 18-1. Regulations for substance abuse by parish employees.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Personnel Office

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on March 16, 2026

[2026-0087](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of the purchase and/or expropriation by St. Charles Parish from the owners of a certain 5.72 acre parcel of property described as a portion of Lot 4B, Gassen Estate owned by LR Gassen Holding, LLC, et al located at 400 Hackberry Street in the unincorporated community of Luling, LA on the west bank of the Mississippi River in St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on March 16, 2026

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

[2026-0043](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 for the Raw Water Intake Structure Access Bridge Pile Replacement (Project No. WWKS 112), to decrease the contract amount by \$2,370.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Waterworks

Reported:

Waterworks Department Recommended: Approval
Waterworks Director Gregory Gorden spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-3-1

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-1

[2026-0059](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the Parish President to execute a Polling Place Lease Agreement with The Bible Center Church, for use as a polling place for District 2, Precinct 3, of St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Reported:

Parish President Recommended: Approval
Legal Services Director Corey Oubre spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-3-2

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-2

[2026-0060](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Principal Engineering, Inc., for West Bank Water Treatment Plant, E Plant Construction (Project No. WWKS 118), in the not to exceed amount of \$4,814,099.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Waterworks

Reported:

Waterworks Department Recommended: Approval
Waterworks Director Gregory Gorden spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-3-3

Council Discussion

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Mr. Gorden spoke on the matter.

President Jewell spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-3

[2026-0062](#)

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 Place for Precinct 2-3.

Sponsors: Ms. Skiba

Reported:

Councilwoman Skiba Recommended: Approval
Councilwoman Skiba spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-3-4

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-4

[2026-0066](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Contract with Centric Gulf Coast, Inc. for the EADCC Sand Volleyball Courts (Project No. PRSV2025), in the amount of \$660,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Parks and Recreation

Reported:

Recommendation Parks and Recreation Department: Approval
Parks and Recreation Director Duane Foret spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-3-5

Council Discussion
Mr. Foret spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Moble, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-5

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

[2026-0084](#)

Mr. Victor Buccola: Rules for P&Z and ZBA

Chairman Pilié stated that Mr. Buccola has withdrawn his request to address the Council.

Not Heard

RESOLUTIONS

[2026-0067](#)

A resolution adopting the St. Charles Parish SHIELD Plan: Stabilizing Habitats through Infrastructure, Ecology, and Land Defense.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval
Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened; no public comment

Council Discussion

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Moblely, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6892

[2026-0068](#)

A resolution recognizing the Floodplain Management Plan led by the Planning and Zoning Department.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

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

Public comment opened; no public comment

Council Discussion

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.
Marny Stein, Planning Administrator, spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Moblely, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6893

[2026-0080](#)

A resolution endorsing a waiver from Appendix C, Subdivision Regulations of 1981, Section III. Geometric Standards, C. Lots, 1. Size, b. Width, as requested by ICG Investing, LLC and Blake Lorio.

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 comment opened; no public comment

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Moblely, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6894

[2026-0081](#)

A resolution in support of the Planning and Zoning Commission approval of 2026-1-SPU for Automobile Fleet Services in a C-3 zoning district on Lot B2, Almedia Plantation, 150 Almedia Plantation Road, St. Rose, specifically a waiver from Appendix A., Section VIII., item I.3.a., as requested by GM Elite Co.

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 comment opened

Ms. Tammy Dennis, St. Rose

Mr. Joseph Prescott, St. Rose

Ms. Carrie Cook, St. Rose

Ms. Debra Pfister, St. Rose

Ms. Tina Monica, St. Rose

Ms. Betty Swess, St. Rose

Council Discussion

Mr. Albert spoke on the matter.

Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 0

Nay: 9 - Moblely, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Failed

APPOINTMENTS

[2026-0016](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the River Parishes Transit Authority.

Sponsors: Mr. Mobley, Ms. Fonseca, Ms. Wilson, Ms. Skiba, Mr. Pilié, Mr. Comardelle, Ms. O'Daniels, Mr. Fisher and Ms. deBruler

Nominee:

Councilwoman Holly Fonseca nominated Mr. Nick Nassar

Nomination(s) Accepted

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Comardelle, to Close Nomination(s) for File No. 2026-0016. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Nomination(s) Closed

[2026-0044](#)

Accept resignation of Mr. Ed Griffin - St. Charles Parish Planning & Zoning Commission District III Representative

Resignation Accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Resignation Accepted

[2026-0045](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Planning & Zoning Commission as the District III Representative.

Nominee:

Chairman Walter Pilié nominated Mr. Steven Dorand

Nomination(s) Accepted

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember O'Daniels, Close Nomination(s) for File No. 2026-0045. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Nomination(s) Closed

[2026-0085](#)

Accept resignation of Mr. Huey Marcel - St. Charles Parish Communications District representing Emergency Medical Services, Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of St. Charles, Board of Commissioners

Resignation Accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Resignation Accepted

[2026-0086](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Communications District representing Emergency Medical Services as requested by the Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of St. Charles, Board of Commissioners.

Vacancy Announced

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Comardelle, seconded by Councilmember O'Daniels, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:52 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Moblely, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

Michelle Impastato
Council Secretary