
PUBLIC NOTICES

**Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council
Livingston, Louisiana
March 14, 2019**

The Livingston Parish Council met in regular session duly called, advertised, and convened at its regular meeting place, the Parish Council Chambers, Governmental Building, 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, on Thursday, March 14, 2019, at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

Garry "Frog" Talbert	John Wascom	Tracy Girlinghouse
Maurice "Scooter" Keen	R.C. "Bubba" Harris	Tab Lobell
	Jeff Averett	Shane Mack

Absent: Jeff Ard

Also present: Layton Ricks, Parish President
Christopher Moody, Parish Legal Counsel

The chair asked the public to please mute or turn off their cell phones.

The chair announced that Public Input would be accepted from any member of the audience wishing to address an agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item 7, "Presentations:". Having no Presentations, the chair moved to agenda item number 8 a and b:

- a. February 28, 2019 Juban Crossing Community Development District
- b. February 28, 2019 regular meeting of the Council

LPR NO. 19-073

MOTION was made by John Wascom and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to dispense with the reading of the minutes dated February 28, 2019 Juban Crossing Community Development District and the February 28, 2019 of the regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council and adopt as written.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

The chair addressed agenda item(s) 9, "Parish President's Report". Having no report, the chair moved to agenda item 10a, "Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 19-06, Servitude Revocation: Melissa Martin Clark/South Frost Road".

The chair opened the Public Hearing and called upon the Council clerk to read the proposed ordinance by title.

The chair requested if anyone had any public input. Having none, the chair closed the Public Hearing. The co-chair advised that this agenda item would be addressed under the next item.

The chair addressed agenda item 11:

"Re-Introduction of Ordinance:

Melissa Martin Clark	L & L Land Surveying
Servitude Revocation	
South Frost Road	Section 20, T8S R5E
	Council District 8

The chair requested the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title. The Council clerk questioned Mr. Moody, Parish Legal Counsel, if they would be able to retain the ordinance number that had been previously assigned to this ordinance that was being re-introduced. Mr. Moody agreed.

The following ordinance was introduced in proper written form and read by title, to wit:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 19-06

AN ORDINANCE REVOKING A CERTAIN 60' PRIVATE ALL PURPOSE SERVITUDE, LOCATED IN SECTION 20, T7S-R3E, GREENSBURG LAND DISTRICT, LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN FAVOR OF THE LAND OWNER, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED SURVEY:

LPR NO. 19-074

MOTION was offered by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to publish the ordinance by title in the Official Journal in accordance with the legal mandates and set a Public Hearing for Thursday, March 28, 2019 at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. at the Parish Council Chambers in the Governmental Building located at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time comments will be received on the proposed ordinance prior to a Council vote.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

The chair addressed agenda item number 12, "Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 19-07, An ordinance amending and clarifying the boundaries of Mosquito Abatement District Two and Three by amending L.P. No. 18-15 adopted on April 26, 2018".

The chair opened the Public Hearing and called upon the Council clerk to read the proposed ordinance by title.

The chair requested if anyone had any public input. Having none, the chair closed the Public Hearing called for the vote.

LPR NO. 19-075

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on February 28, 2019, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal together with a notice of public hearing which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on March 14, 2019 on Motion of Garry "Frog" Talbert and seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen:

L.P. ORDINANCE 19-07

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND CLARIFYING THE BOUNDARIES OF MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT TWO AND THREE OF THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.
33:9039.14; AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the 14th day of March 2019.

(The above and foregoing ordinance, upon final approval by the President, or the Council in case of veto by the President, shall be published in full in the Official Journal by the Clerk of the Council

within fifteen (15) days of its adoption and shall be recorded in full in the Livingston Parish Council Ordinance Book No. 4).

The chair addressed agenda item 13, "Planning Commission Recommendations", and called upon Mr. Sam Digirolamo.

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 13a, "Old River Townhomes, Centerline Engineering, Preliminary Site Plan, Old River Road, Section 60, T6S R2E, Council District 4" and reported that it was the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the preliminary site plan for Old River Townhomes contingent on Yukon Road being brought up to Parish standards or a driveway being built for the development.

Councilman John Wascom questioned if there was anyone present in the audience that could speak for the developer on this agenda item? Councilman Wascom advised that he knew that there were some unanswered questions regarding this development.

Mr. Bo James Booty, Professional Engineer with Centerline Engineering and Land Surveying, LLC stepped up to the lectern and addressed the Councilmembers identifying himself to speak on behalf of the owner of the development being addressed. Councilman Wascom advised that he had a couple of questions stemming from phone calls that he had received regarding this development. He requested if a decision had been made by the developer on the criteria set by the Planning Commission's approval if they would be bringing Yukon Road up to Parish standards or if they would be turning the driveway around and bringing it in from a different road?

Mr. Booty explained that a couple of layouts had been done to determine what would be the most feasible. He further explained that they were currently obtaining pricing to see what would be most feasible for the developer. The developer is aware that either Yukon has to be brought up to Parish standards or a private separate drive will have to be added to the townhomes for the project's acceptance. The two (2) options would be coming off of Yukon or Old River Road. Mr. Wascom explained that before a vote could be made, he would like to know what would be decided on. He questioned Mr. Digirolamo if this could be run back through Planning and then sent back to the Council once a decision had been made. Mr. Booty was asked and concurred that, depending on how the numbers came back on each plan, determination would be made if the project would still be viable.

Councilman Garry "Frog" Talbert questioned if Yukon Road was a parish road to which Mr. Digirolamo acknowledged that it was indeed a parish road. Mr. Talbert questioned if a traffic impact study could be done. Mr. Digirolamo advised that the State would probably be looking at this, to which Mr. Talbert questioned under the new state guidelines, since a parish road was located there, could he even obtain access off of a state highway? The chair allowed Mr. Digirolamo to answer Mr. Talbert's many other questions.

Councilman Talbert asked Mr. Moody if the Planning Commission had the authority to ask the developer to base the approval of their development upon the developer bringing a parish-owned and maintained road up to parish standards? Mr. Moody indicated that issue had been brought up and addressed at the Planning Commission's meeting.

Mr. Moody offered that if it was for valid safety reasons, you can control how many entrances that they have on to a parish road. In this instance, it was determined to be a safety concern because there would be as many as fifteen (15) cars that would be backing out onto the road and that's why they wanted to hold up the development. He further advised that the Planning Commission could not make the developer bring the road up to parish standards, but it was a sort of trade off, making the road safer for the added safety concerns, thereby holding out their permission to have that many entrances.

Councilman Shane Mack discussed the importance of the submission of the preliminary plat to be the original intention of the project. He agreed that the project should be sent back to the Planning Commission to make certain and guarantee safe entrance and exit from the development.

Mr. Booty advised that the it was the developer's intention to do the development as it was laid out in front of them with the driveways on Yukon. They were told at the Planning Commission of the mandate of agreeing to one of the Planning Commission's stipulations to be approved and their client was agreeable to be able to keep the process of the development moving.

Public Input: Karmen Doiron, resident on Old River Road: has traffic concerns

The chair allowed a lengthy open discussion.

Mr. Booty advised that the drawing that the Council had before them was submitted to the Department of Transportation and Development as a courtesy, as the developer knew that their approval would be needed later as Yukon Road was located within a mile of a state road, plus they had two (2) driveways. He advised that from their preliminary conversations with the Department of Transportation and Development, there were not issues at this time.

Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse stated that he would like to know exactly what the Council was voting on. He further stated that he wanted to know which entrance, which way, and while not wanting to hold up the development, he was in agreement with the other members of the Council and wished to be able to see exactly what would be done before they approved it.

LPR NO. 19-076

MOTION was made by John Wascom and duly seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen to send the preliminary site plan for Old River Townhomes back to the Livingston Parish Planning Commission for their review of an amended preliminary site plan that will indicate the placement of where the entrance to the road will be in this development, located on Old River Road, Section 60, T6S R2E, in Council District 4.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 13b, "Livingston Farms, Subdivision without Improvements, Clyde Blount Road, Section 7&18, T7S R5E, Council District 8" and advised that it was the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission to approve the subdivision without improvements for Livingston Farms contingent on the drainage being addressed. He explained that this meant the engineer representing Livingston Farms will present something to our Parish engineer, and at that time, the Parish Review Engineer will decide if a drainage impact study will be necessary. Mr. Digirolamo concurred this with Ms. Morgan Sanchez, representing on behalf of Forte and Tablada, Parish Review Engineer.

Councilman Garry "Frog" Talbert questioned if there was a possibility that a drainage impact study might not be done? Mr. Digirolamo requested that Morgan Sanchez, representative for the Parish Review Engineer, come from the audience and address Councilman Talbert's questions.

Ms. Morgan Sanchez, of Forte and Tablada, representing as Parish Review Engineer, informed the Councilmembers that there was a chance that a full drainage impact study might not be required. She stated that a letter was originally submitted for an exception, she continued and explained the development's increase estimation, and that the Review Engineer's recommendation had been to not to accept it, needing more information from the development before making decisions.

The chair questioned why a gravity drainage study was not being performed? Ms. Sanchez advised that if that was the Council's wishes, then they could request that. She explained the differences of being a subdivision with and without improvements. The chair called upon Councilman Tab Lobell as this agenda item was located in his Council district.

Councilman Lobell advised that there were already drainage issues in this area. He agreed with the chairman and stated that a gravity drainage impact study would be good to have in place.

Councilman Talbert reminded the Councilmembers of the amendments made to a previous ordinance that they had adopted with respect to the exception that they are utilizing, when the Council amended the ordinance for Submittals. He continued with a very lengthy explanation of the intent of the amendments to the ordinance and had several questions.

Councilman Jeff Averett wished to comment on his historical knowledge of the condition of the property.

The chair allowed a very lengthy open discussion.

Public input: Ralph Burgess, Civil Design and Construction, Inc.:
Engineer for the project and surveyor of record, wished to address the Councilmembers and explained this project development's unique situation

The chair allowed the Councilmembers to ask Mr. Burgess questions in an open forum.

MOTION was made by Tab Lobell and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to approve the preliminary site plan for Livingston Farms based on the Review Engineer's recommendation if a gravity drainage study is needed or not.

The chair called upon Ms. Morgan Sanchez in the audience for further clarification of what the resolution should entail to which she obliged as follows.

LPR NO. 19-077

MOTION was made by Tab Lobell and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to approve the preliminary site plan for Livingston Farms (Subdivision without Improvements), contingent upon the drainage issues being worked out to the satisfaction of the Livingston Parish Planning Department and Parish Review Engineer, located on Clyde Blount Road, Section(s) 7 and 18, T7S R3E, in Council District 8.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 13c, "Eagle's Nest Townhomes, Preliminary Site Plan, LA Highway 16, Section 42, T7S R3E" and advised that it was the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Department to approve the preliminary site plan for Eagle's Nest Townhomes.

The chair asked if there was any discussion from the audience, having none, he requested if the Councilmembers had any input on this item.

Councilman Garry "Frog" Talbert advised that he was not crazy about this item, but it met the ordinance and they would be required to do a twenty-five (25) year drainage requirement. He answered Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen's question on the location of the property and the chair asked if Councilman Talbert would like to make the motion to which he agreed.

LPR NO. 19-078

MOTION was made by Garry "Frog" Talbert and duly seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and approve the preliminary site plan for Eagle's Nest Townhomes located on Louisiana Highway 16, Section 42, T6S R3E, in Council District 2.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 13d, "Hobby Lobby, Preliminary Site Plan, Cassle Road, Section 4,T7S R3E, Council District 7" and advised that it was the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission "to approve the preliminary site plan for Hobby Lobby with a waiver on the building line setback and contingent on the Fire Department being ok with the hydrant placement". Mr. Digirolamo explained that the waiver was needed because the building was set right up against the property line. He advised that company owned both properties. Councilman Garry "Frog" Talbert asked if this was a case where they would be using a common wall at later date on the next building? Mr. Digirolamo advised that he had not been told that, but he thought that might be the case. Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen questioned where it was located. Multiple sources advised him where this business would be located. Councilman Talbert questioned if anyone had considered adjusting our ordinances that would address "big box" stores the allowance to do this, so a waiver would not be needed? Ms. Morgan Sanchez, representing for the Parish Review Engineer answered from her seat in the audience and was not audible. Councilman Talbert addressed Mr. Chad Bacas of Forte and Tablade in the audience, and questioned who owned the property? Mr. Bacas advised that he thought that it all belonged to Creekstone and that this situation did not happen often. Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse questioned the offset. Councilman Talbert answered and provided his opinions.

Councilman Girlinghouse queried Mr. Gerald Burns, member of the Planning Commission and resident/property owner on Juban Road close to the property in question, what his opinion was on this agenda item. Upon Mr. Burns giving his favorable consent from the audience (unaudible), the chair called for a motion.

LPR NO. 19-079

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and approve the preliminary site plan for Hobby Lobby with a waiver on the building line setback and contingent on the Fire Department being okay with hydrant placement, being located on Cassle Road, Section 4, T7S R3E, in Council District 7.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

The chair thanked Mr. Digirolamo for his detailed explanation and hard work regarding the Planning Commission agenda items. He also commended Ms. Morgan Sanchez for all of her efforts as well, and noted the Councilmembers' appreciation and need for their input on the recommendations made by the Livingston Parish Planning Commission.

The chair addressed agenda item 14, "Set speed limit on Hartman Lane (west side) at 20 mph" and called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse who explained the need and wishes of the residents of the area for the speed limit posting.

LPR NO. 19-080

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to set the speed limit on Hartman Lane (being on the west side) at twenty miles per hour (20 mph), which is located outside of the city limits of the municipality of Walker, in Council District 7.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

The chair addressed agenda item number 15, "Appoint members to the Master Plan Review Committee" and called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse.

Councilman Girlinghouse advised that the Councilmembers had been reviewing the Parish's Master Plan. He discussed their intentions of implementing portions of it over a period of time, specifically as it relates to zoning. He stated it was now the time to assemble a committee in order to review the plan to discover what exists and what has been done by their predecessors, by updating what needs updating, basically reviewing the entire document to see what is pertinent and what is not, what needs to be changed, and then presented to the Council for discussion and adoption. He stated that when talk of assembling the committee had first begun, it started with five (5) members, then discussion had been to change it to seven (7) members. Now, determination had been established that it would be best to have nine (9) members on the committee, eight (8) being appointed by the Councilmembers and one (1) representation from the Parish President. Councilman Garry "Frog" Talbert had relinquished his District's committee appointment to allow for the Parish President to have that position availability and input.

Councilman Girlinghouse announced the following committee members to be appointed and serve on the Master Plan Review Committee:

- Eileen McCarroll - Council District 9
- Dominick Abrams - Council District 6
- Larry O'Neal - Council District 8
- Kay Keen - Council District 3
- Jeb Sadler - Council District 5
- John Wascom - Council District 4
- Kayla Lockhart Johnson - Parish President
- Gerald Burns - Council District 7
- Jeff Ard - Council District 1

LPR NO. 19-081

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Garry "Frog" Talbert to form and create a committee to be known as the Master Plan Review Committee that will consist of nine (9) members, eight (8) members being appointed by the Livingston

Parish Council, and one (1) member appointed by the Parish President as follows:

- Eileen McCarroll - Council District 9
- Dominick Abrams – Council District 6
- Larry O’Neal – Council District 8
- Kay Keen – Council District 3
- Jeb Sadler – Council District 5
- John Wascom – Council District 4
- Kayla Lockhart Johnson – Parish President
- Gerald Burns – Council District 7
- Jeff Ard – Council District 1

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

The chair addressed agenda item 16, “Request for a variance for a family member (non-descending/ascending) for a third address situated on 3.109-acre lot located at 22440 LA Highway 444, Livingston, LA in Council District 8” and called upon Councilman Tab Lobell.

Councilman Lobell explained that he had spoken with these family members, being an uncle and his two (2) nephews. He stated that there was plenty of property there, but it was not a “descending” heir, however, it was all family, and he would like to note that if it is not family residing on the property, then one (1) of them will have to go away. Councilman Lobell sternly advised these family members that this property could not be converted into rental property.

LPR NO. 19-082

MOTION was made by Tab Lobell and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to grant a variance for a family member (non-descending/ascending) for a third address situated on 3.109-acre lot located at 22440 LA Highway 444, Livingston, LA in Council District 8, contingent upon that family members only will reside at this address and it will never become a rental property.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

The chair addressed agenda item number 17, “District Attorney Report(s)” and asked if the Parish Legal Counsel, Mr. Moody had anything to report. Mr. Moody advised that he had nothing to report at this time.

The chair moved on and addressed agenda item 18, “Committee Report(s)”

- a. Ordinance Committee – Garry Talbert, Chair
 - i. **Introduction of Ordinance:** Amend Section 14.3-1, “Safety regulations”, by revising file distribution specifications in the Livingston Parish Regulations Booklet, “Operations and Activities/Commercial Building/Hazardous Materials Operations” Section 2(a) “Requirements”

Councilman Talbert reported that the Ordinance Committee had met earlier that day and discussed a mandate where a set of plans is supposed to be submitted to Mr. Mark Harrell’s office that really has not been enforced. After speaking with the Department Heads, a list of criteria was set that plans would need to be submitted in a PDF format, changing it from thirty (30) calendar days to two (2) calendar days, and it changes the business operation of days to final inspection. After the committee’s discussion and Mr. Harrell’s recommendations: Floor plan layouts shall include all windows and doors and sizes of each, FPC connection locations, all fire hydrant locations, sprinkler and riser room locations, and location of connections and providers of water, gas and electrical. This will be uploaded to a state website and all first responders will be able to access this in their time of need. He recommended that this ordinance be introduced at this time and called upon the Council clerk to read the proposed ordinance by title.

The following ordinance was introduced in proper written form and read by title, to wit:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 19-08

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14.3, SECTION 14.3-1, “SAFETY REGULATIONS,” TO INCLUDE REVISIONS TO THE LIVINGSTON PARISH REGULATIONS BOOKLET, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON.

LPR NO. 19-083

MOTION was offered by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by R.C. “Bubba” Harris to publish the ordinance by title in the Official Journal in accordance with the legal mandates and set a Public Hearing for Thursday, March 28, 2019 at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. at the Parish Council Chambers in the Governmental Building located at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time comments will be received on the proposed ordinance prior to a Council vote.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

The chair called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse to report on the Finance Committee: Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse advised that the budget was pretty on par, as well as the intake of taxes. He indicated that there were a couple of items to note: the Parish wanted to go into a one-time landscape update for the courthouse, it would come from money appropriated from their funds and they wished to enter into a lawn maintenance contract. They were not satisfied with the

contractor that they had currently. They also wished to address air conditioning repair in the jail itself: the original units were proprietary, and they wished to replace them with others that would be universal with a company that was local and had a very quick response time.

He also wished to remind everyone, as he felt that it was very noteworthy, whereby informing the public, that the expenses of the jail fall under the Parish and not the Sheriff’s budget.

Councilman Tab Lobell wished to commend a Springfield native for closing out the recent LSU-Northwestern baseball game.

Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse also wished to give accolades to the Walker High School boys’ basketball team in their endeavors in the state championship with Thibodaux.

Councilman John Wascom expressed his pride when the Denham Springs girls’ basketball team beat Walker and then went on to the state championship and jokingly chided former mayor of Walker, Travis Clark, who was in attendance in the audience.

Councilman Garry “Frog” Talbert wished to inform the public of the upcoming Mosquito Abatement election on May the 4th and encouraged the electorate of that district, no matter what position may be, for or against, that everyone should exercise their right to vote and make it to the polls.

Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was requested until the next regular meeting scheduled on Thursday, March 28, 2019, at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

LPR NO. 19-084

MOTION was offered by R.C. “Bubba” Harris and duly seconded by Garry “Frog” Talbert to adjourn the March 14, 2019 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. ARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

/s/ Sandy C. Teal
Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk

/s/ Shane Mack
Shane Mack, Council Chairman

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following entitled ordinance was introduced in writing in the form required for adoption at a meeting of the Parish Council of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, on March 28, 2019, and laid over for publication of notice:

L.P. ORDINANCE 19-09

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 13, “PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT,” ARTICLE I, “IN GENERAL,” SECTION 13-3, “STREETS, QUITCLAIMS, SERVITUDE AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY REVOCATION PROCEDURE,” THAT COMBINES THE PARISH PLANNING DEPARTMENT’S FILING FEE, OFFICIAL JOURNAL PUBLICATION FEES AND CLERK OF COURT FILING FEES AND ALSO ADDS PDF REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SURVEY MAP INDICATING THE AREA TO BE REVOCATED, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Parish Council of said Parish will meet on Thursday, April 11, 2019, at six (6:00) o’clock p.m., at the Parish Council Chambers, Governmental Building, 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time there will be a public hearing on the adoption of the aforesaid ordinance.

/s/ Sandy C. Teal
Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk

/s/ Shane Mack
Shane Mack, Council Chair

(As per rules of the Council, copies of the proposed ordinance shall be made available for public inspection in the Office of the Livingston Parish Council.)

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

STATE OF LOUISIANA

IN THE MATTER OF : NUMBER: 17004

THE SUCCESSION OF : DIVISION: “D”

ANAIS P. ODOM : NOTICE

Notice is given that the Executor of this Succession has filed a petition to make an interim allowance to the decedent’s legatees in accord with La. Code of Civil Procedure Article 3321. Any legatee or creditor may object to this petition within ten days of publication of this notice.

S/A, Shelby Easterly, III
A. Shelby Easterly, III, Executor

PUBLIC NOTICE

To All Property Owners within the City of Walker

All lots, subdivisions or property, as described in section 10-17 of the City of Walker Code of Ordinance, within the corporate limits of the City, remaining uncut at the expiration of ten (10) days following the date of the last advertisement will be cut by the City and the owner thereof billed for the cost of such cutting; the amount of such billing to be no more than the actual cost incurred by the City.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with L.R.S. 3:1609 and LAC 7:XV.314 (A), the Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry, Louisiana Boll Weevil Eradication Commission, has established a boll weevil eradication zone, the Louisiana Eradication Zone, consisting of all the territory within the state of Louisiana.

Notice is further given that all producers of commercial cotton in Louisiana are required to participate in the boll weevil eradication program, including cost sharing, in accordance with the Boll Weevil Eradication Law and regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, reporting of cotton acreage and destruction of cotton plants and stalks by December 31 of each crop year. A copy of the law and rules and regulations may be obtained from the Boll Weevil Eradication Commission, 5825 Florida Blvd. Ste. 3002, Baton Rouge, La. 70806, telephone number (225) 922-1338.

Notice is also given that the planting of noncommercial cotton is PROHIBITED in Louisiana unless a written waiver is obtained from the Commissioner of Agriculture & Forestry in accordance with LAC 7:XV.319(C). To request a waiver, submit a written application to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, at the address provided in this notice, stating the conditions under which such written waiver is requested.

Are you Prepared Flood Awareness Information

Know your flood hazards and what you can do about it.

You may be in a special flood hazard area. Flooding in our City is caused by three sources: backwater from West Coyelle Creek, Taylor Bayou or flash flooding because of excessive rain in a short time frame. Floods are dangerous. Even though they appear to move slowly (three feet per second), a flood two feet deep can knock a man off his feet and float a car.

Your property may be high enough that it was not flooded recently or ever. However, it can still be flooded in the future because the next flood could be worse. If you are in the floodplain, the odds are that someday your property will be damaged. This following gives you some idea of what you can do to protect yourself.

Here is something you can do to protect your family and property from flooding:

Buy flood insurance. Even if you're not in the mapped floodplain, you may be subject to local drainage flooding. In either case, flood insurance can be a good investment because homeowners' insurance policies do not cover damage from flooding. To find out more about flood insurance contact your property insurance agent to see what policy is right for you. Don't wait for the next flood.

Do not walk or drive through flood waters. Currents are deceptive; six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet. Do not drive around barriers, as the road or bridges may be washed out. Preparing for an emergency can reduce the possibility of personal injury, loss of life and damage to property. Know your flood warnings signals, create an emergency plan, and prepare a disaster supply kit. To find out more information on flood warnings and emergency preparedness; contact your local Emergency Preparedness office or see the City of Walker web page for more flood awareness information.

Talk to us about protecting your house or business. You can protect your home or business from drainage and flooding problems by modifying your building to minimize flood damage. Where flooding is shallow, measures such as small floodwalls, regrading the yard, and floodproofing the wall or utilities can be relatively inexpensive. Where flooding is deep you may need to elevate your building. For more information on flood proofing your building there are publications in the public libraries. If requested, the Floodplain Administrators Department will visit a property to review its flood problems and explain ways to stop flooding or prevent flood damage. Call the Department at 225-665-8893.

Check with the Building Department before you build, alter, regrade or fill your property. A permit is required for any type of development including new construction, substantial improvements, placement of fill, paving or excavation to ensure that a project is compliant with all regulations. These regulations are designed to protect your property from flood damage and to make sure you don't cause a drainage problem for neighbors. To find out how to get a permit, contact your permit office.

Don't pour oil grease, pesticides or other pollutants down storm drains or into the ditches and streams. Our streams and wetlands help moderate flooding and are habitat for fish and other wild life that provides us with recreation or food. Let's protect them and their homes.

The city has an ordinance that makes it illegal to dump debris in streams channels and drainage systems. You must utilize storm water protection/erosion control when building, keeping building debris and pollutants out of the storm drains. The city also has a drainage maintenance program which can remove blockages from a drainage ditch or stream such as downed trees and branches. To report problems, call the Department of Public Works 225-665-2467 for further assistance.

City of Walker flood services. Before you commit yourself to buying property, do the following:

The first thing you should do is to check your flood hazard. Flood maps and flood protection references are available at the Walker Municipal Building. You may visit the Building Department at the City Hall to see if you are in a mapped floodplain. If so, we can give you more information, such as past flood problems in the area, if there is a LOMA and copies of elevation certificates on buildings built in the floodplain since 1991 if available. Even if you are not in a floodplain, there still may be a risk of flooding.

Ask the real estate agent if it requires flood insurance; ask the seller or neighbors if it has ever flooded or if it is subject to other hazards, such as sewer backups or subsidence. Talk to the building department about the building and zoning regulations. In accordance with State law LSA-R.S. 9:3198 every transfer of land or building are required to provide a flood hazard disclosure statement to prospective buyers.

For more information contact:
City of Walker Permit Office (225) 665-8893
Email: permits@walker-la.gov

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The Commissioners of Ward Two Water District of Livingston Parish met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 7:00 pm at their Administration office on Carter Drive in Denham Springs, La.

The meeting was called to order by President Ted Graham
Present – T. Graham, J.McCoy, S.Westmoreland, J.Easterly, S.Spillman
Absent -none
Guests - Agnes Killcrease, Office Manager
Barry LeJuene, Manager
Roy Waggenspack, Owen & White
one employee of the District
Trey Sanders, H.T.Bourgeois CPA's
Legal Counsel, Colt Fore, Hannah and Blayne Honeycutt

Chairman introduced new Legal Counsel attending the meeting.

Motion to accept the minutes from January 15, 2019, as mailed with no public comment by S.Spillman seconded by J.Easterly Vote passed Yeas-5 Nays-none Absent–none

Motion to accept the minutes from the special meeting on January 29, 2019, as mailed with no public comment by J.Easterly seconded by S.Westmoreland Vote passed Yeas-5 Nays-none Absent–none

Under public input, no customers were in attendance, therefore Chairman moved to next agenda item.

Trey Sanders of H.T.Bourgeois CPA's presented the audit planning letter to the board and presented an addendum for consideration on the AUP audit for 2018.

Motion to adopt the addendum regarding the modification of the AUP portion of the 2018 financial audit as presented with no public comment Vote passed Yeas-5 Nays-none Absent-none

Engineer, Roy Waggenspack, reported on the final completion of the Hwy 1026/190 Roundabout Project and noted inspections are being made. He noted that there are no other active projects remaining at this time.

Administrative Director, Cookie Killcrease, reported on flood insurance renewal quotes with varying coverages and premiums. Board discussed and requested Administrative Director to explore greater coverage with quoted premium.

Manager, Barry LeJuene, reported on the monthly customer update, noting that a total increase of 43 customers was realized for this month (year to date +43) resulting in a total customer count of 20,752

Manager requested that one vehicle be purchased from the State Bid Listing at an estimated cost of \$28,500 due to service demand needs by staff.

Motion to purchase one new vehicle from the Louisiana Competitive Contract line item Contract #4400010201 from Courtesy Ford in the amount of \$28,442.34 with no public comment by J.Easterly seconded by S.Spillman Vote passed Yeas-5 Nays-none Absent-none

A Financial report was presented by the Administrative Secretary for the month of January 2019, and a comparison of the period of operations and budget was given to the Board of Commissioners.

Under board comments, Jimmy McCoy questioned if customers who pay automatically receive a hard copy of their bill in the mail. He suggested to discontinue if they pay with auto pay to save the District postage fees. He requested that a discussion on the Live Oak High School logo painting on the Watson water tower be on the next meeting's agenda. Board discussed when the next routine painting procedure is scheduled. Manager noted that an inspection is upcoming to identify any spots needing attention, but would only involve spot painting.

John Easterly led a Personnel Committee discussion on the current vacation policy. He stated that simplicity for vacation time for employees should be followed whereby no accrual calculations should be an ongoing process. Board agreed

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, he also explained the intention of the committee regarding emergency time policy and how call out time was administered. Manager commented that time and a half standard was in place. John Easterly also recommended that a call out curfew be followed whereby an 8pm curfew would limit field employees to cease any reconnect service responses as of 8pm. Board discussed and agreed. It was noted that a notice of this policy be placed in bold type in all correspondence henceforth. Board also agreed.

John Easterly led discussion on minimum compensation rates administered for office workers. Administrative Director noted that the old policy stated hourly pay ranges starting at \$11 per hour for selected office personnel. Personnel Committee recommended to hire new employees at a rate contingent upon experience rather than a set schedule of hourly pay. Board agreed.

John Easterly reported that the purchase agreement for the French Settlement Water Company selected sites and the Port Vincent water system is progressing. He recommended to authorize new Legal Counsel to compile on behalf of the District a formal Purchase Agreement.

Motion to authorize Colt Fore, Legal Counsel to prepare a formal purchase agreement between Ward Two Water District and the municipality of Port Vincent along with portions of the French Settlement Water Company's systems with no public comment by J.McCoy seconded by S.Spillman Vote passed Yeas-5 Nays-none Absent-none

Motion to approve the payment of the bills as presented with no public comment by J.McCoy seconded by J.Easterly Vote passed Yeas-5 Nays-none Absent-none

Motion to adjourn the meeting with no public comment by J.McCoy seconded by J.Easterly Vote passed Yeas-5 Nays-none Absent–none



Randall Smith Administrative Secretary

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 7 PM

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Walker will hold public hearings at the next regular scheduled meeting on April 8, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Walker City Hall located at 10136 Florida Blvd., for the purpose of adopting the following ordinances:

- Ord. – Annexing into the City limits 5.0 acres and Lot 3-A located at 27000 Walker South Rd, belonging to John and Martha Daniel.
- Ord. – Amending the City of Walker Unified Development Code.