<u>PUBLIC NOTICE</u> - Notice Is Hereby Given That the Tangipahoa Parish Council Will Meet in <u>Regular Session</u> on Monday, March 25, 2019 Immediately Following the Public Hearing Held At 5:30 PM At Tangipahoa Parish Government Building, 206 East Mulberry Street, Amite, Louisiana, contact number (985) 748-3211

PUBLIC HEARING - Notice Is Hereby Given That a Public Hearing Will Be Held by The Tangipahoa Parish Council on Monday, March 25, 2019 at 5:30 PM At Tangipahoa Parish Government Building, 206 East Mulberry Street, Amite, Louisiana, contact number (985)748-3211, on the following:

T.P. Ordinance No. 19-10- Amending Tangipahoa Parish Advertising Regulations on Various Sign Requirements

T.P. Ordinance No. 19-II- An ordinance of the Tangipahoa Parish Council to change the boundary for precinct number I22A and create another precinct to be called precinct I22B, and to change the boundary for precinct number I24 and creating another precinct to be called precinct I24A, in Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana in compliance with Louisiana Revised Statute I8:532, to reduce the number of voters in precinct number I22A (1745), and I24 (1173), and move the balance of voters into the new precincts, I22B and I24A, and to establish a new polling location for precincts I22B and I24A at Eighth Ward fire station number 2

No one from the public wished to address the foregoing item.

Tangipahoa Parish Council
Tangipahoa Parish Government Building
206 East Mulberry Street, Amite, LA 70422
Regular Meeting Immediately Following Public Hearing
March 25, 2019

CALL TO ORDER- Meeting was called to order by Mr. Lionell Wells, Chairman

INVOCATION- Mr. Eve Wilson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (All Veterans and active military, please render the proper salute)- Mr. David Vial

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Councilman Trent Forrest

Councilman James Bailey

Councilman Louis Joseph

Councilman Carlo Bruno

Councilman Buddy Ridgel

Councilman Joey Mayeaux

Councilman Lionell Wells

Councilman David Vial

Councilman Bobby Cortez

ABSENT

Councilman Harry Lavine

CELL PHONES - Please Mute or Turn Off

<u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES</u>- Motion made by Councilman Joseph, Seconded by Councilman Forrest to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated March 11, 2019. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Forrest, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilman Cortez

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Lavine

PUBLIC INPUT - Anyone Wishing to Address Agenda Items Which Were Not on Public Hearing-None

PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I. Approval to Accept into the Parish Maintenance System- Branchside in Country side Subdivision- Motion made by Councilman Mayeaux, Seconded by Councilman Vial to accept Branchside in Countryside Subdivision into the Parish Maintenance System. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Forrest, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilman Cortez

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Lavine

2. Approval to Accept into the Parish Maintenance System- St. Louis Court in The Landings Subdivision- Motion made by Councilman Cortez, Seconded by Councilman Vial to accept St. Louis Court in The Landings Subdivision into the Parish Maintenance System. Roll call yore was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Forrest, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilman Cortez

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Lavine

- 3. Financial Report- Presented by Mr. McKneely.
- ** Motion made by Councilman Vial, seconded by Councilman Joseph to add to the agenda by unanimous vote per Mr. Millers request, adoption of T.P. Resolution No. R19-09- A resolution in opposition of all proposed legislation that transfers the administration and collection of local sales and use taxes to the Louisiana Department of Revenue. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Forrest, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilman Cortez

Nays: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Lavine

Motion by Councilman Cortez, seconded by Councilman Vial to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R19-09- A resolution in opposition of all proposed legislation that transfers the administration and collection of local sales and use taxes to the Louisiana Department of Revenue. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Forrest, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilman Cortez

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Lavine

T.P. Resolution No. R19-09

A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION OF ALL PROPOSED LEGISLATION THAT TRANSFERS THE ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION OF LOCAL SALES & USE TAXES TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Louisiana grants local governments the right to levy and collect local sales and use taxes; WHEREAS, there are several constitutional amendments and bills introduced in the 2019 Regular Legislative Session that would transfer collection responsibility of local sales and use tax levies to the state Department of Revenue; and

WHEREAS, local taxing authorities possess the best knowledge and experience to properly collect its own taxes and have a proven record of proactive advancements in the areas of enforcement, audit coverage, dispute resolution, reporting technology and successful litigation; and WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana's budget issues does not offer prospects for the Department of Revenue to have sufficient resources to provide the necessary taxpayer assistance, enforcement programs and training of its employees on the specific application or local sales and use tax ordinances without significant cost contributions from local governments, thereby resulting in the direct and indirect loss of local tax receipts; and WHEREAS, many local taxing authorities have issued bonded indebtedness guaranteed by the passage locally adopted sales and use tax levies, collection of said levies the direct responsibility of local governments, and which transfer of that responsibility to a state agency may generate legal challenges and jeopardize future bond issues; and

WHEREAS, the central local collector in each parish is directly responsible to the local taxing authorities and their elected officials for the performance of local tax administration, and the Secretary Revenue being an appointee of the Governor of the state, uncertainty exist as to who in the Department of Revenue will be accountable to local taxing authorities for the performance of such critical local tax administration, NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Tangipahoa Parish Council-President Government as a local governing body, that each member of the legislative delegation for the Parish of Tangipahoa is urged to vigorously oppose any and all proposed legislation that transfers the administration and collection of local sales and use taxes to the Louisiana Department of Revenue; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent forthwith to said legislators so that they will be made aware of our position on this matter,

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk Tangipahoa Parish Council S/Lionell Wells, Chairman Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President Tangipahoa Parish

REGULAR BUSINESS

- 4. Proclamation- St. Thomas Aquinas Girls Basketball- Presented
- 5. Proclamation Square Dance Week- Presented
- 6. Proclamation Volunteer Week for Tangipahoa Volunteers for Family and Community- Presented
- 7. Adoption of T.P. Ordinance No. 19-10- Amending Tangipahoa Parish Advertising Regulations on Various Sign Requirements- Motion made by Councilman Vial, seconded by Councilman Ridgel to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 19-10. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Forrest, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilman Cortez

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Lavine

T.P. Ordinance No. 19-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TANGIPAHOA PARISH ADVERTISING REGULATIONS ON VARIOUS SIGN REQUIREMENTS AND ALLOWING THOSE REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME CODIFIED

BE IT ORDAINED by the Tangipahoa Parish Council-President Government, governing authority of Tangipahoa Parish, State of Louisiana that the Tangipahoa Parish Chapter 3 Advertising Regulations be hereby amended as Secs. 3-85 - 3-95 to reserved and add Division 4 standards. These regulations shall be codified as follows:

DIVISION 4. – COMMUNITY LANDMARK SIGNAGE Sec. 3-96. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this division, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Community Landmark Sign means an identifiable community sign structure that may include hardscapes, landscapes and communication technology with internally illuminated display areas and unique architectural elements to communicate municipal, civic, emergency, on-premises and off- premises advertising or messaging.

Sec. 3-97. - Permitting.

- (I) A permit shall be required from the office of the parish council for each community landmark sign. An engineering drawing for each such structure shall be required and each sign or sign structure shall comply with the provisions of the building and electrical codes of the parish.
- (2) A community landmark sign shall not be considered a principal use or structure on a lot and shall be allowed on lots that already have principal uses or structures.
- (3) No community landmark sign shall be permitted in any residentially identified area as defined by any valid ordinance of the parish.
- (4) Approved community landmark signs may be constructed, erected and maintained only in areas identified as commercial, rural or industrial or as defined by the latest land development ordinance and shall only be considered a permitted use and maintained in designated areas on properties bordering I-

12 and I-55.

Sec. 3-98. - Size.

(I) A community landmark sign may have up to two display faces, placed either back to back or in a V- shaped configuration. Each display face shall be no more than I4 feet high and 48 feet long when oriented horizontally for a maximum square footage of 672 square feet per display face or 30 feet high and I8 feet long when oriented vertically for a maximum square footage of 540 square feet.

(2) No community landmark sign shall exceed 60 feet in height measured from the top of the sign to the grade at the base of the sign. Sec. 3-99. - Spacing.

Property facing on the interstate roadway system and major thoroughfares and all other roads and streets within the rural and unincorporated areas of the parish where community landmark signs are permitted shall be subject to the following spacing restrictions:

- (I) For the purpose of these regulations, each side of the interstate roadway or other thoroughfare shall be considered separately.
- (2) V-type or back-to-back sign faces on the same structure with an angle between them of not more than 90 degrees shall be considered two signs.
- (3) On the interstate roadway system and all other thoroughfares, no two community landmark signs shall be spaced less than 1,000 feet apart along the same side of the roadway and spaced no less than
- I,000 feet apart from any off-premises electronic variable message sign, off-premises advertising sign or billboard along the same side of the roadway.
- (4) The distance between community landmark signs on the same thoroughfare shall be measured along the nearest edge of the pavement between points directly opposite the structures on either side of the roadway and in either travel direction.
- (5) All community landmark signs shall be set back either a minimum of ten feet from any street right-of- way or 20 feet from the edge of street pavement, whichever is greater, and shall not be located within or over any public right-of-way.
- (6) No community landmark sign shall be located in such a manner as to obscure or otherwise physically interfere with the effectiveness of an official traffic sign, signal or device, or obstruct or physically interfere with the driver's view of approaching, merging or intersecting traffic. Sec. 3-I00. Lighting.

Community landmark signs may be illuminated, subject to the following restrictions:

- (I) No revolving or rotating beam or beacon of light that simulates any emergency light or device shall be permitted as part of any sign.
- (2) External lighting, such as flood lights, thin line and goose neck reflectors are permitted provided the light source is directed onto the structural components of the sign and is effectively shielded so as to prevent beams or rays of light from being directed into any portion of the main travel way of the public thoroughfare.
- (3) No sign shall be permitted to project into the direct line of vision of any official traffic control signal from any point in a moving traffic lane of a thoroughfare within 660 feet of approaching such signal.
- (4) The community landmark sign's electronic variable message LED displays giving public information such as, but not limited to time, date, temperature, weather, or other commercial messaging message are permitted pursuant to this division, provided such displays do not interfere with traffic safety and do not resemble or simulate traffic control or safety devices or signs.
- (5) All community landmark signs shall incorporate ambient light sensors that measure the levels of surrounding light and automatically reduce the intensity of illumination during periods of darkness or increase the intensity of illumination during periods of brightness. No community landmark sign display face shall exceed a maximum illumination intensity of 500 nits during night time hours (dusk until dawn) and 7,500 nits during day time hours (dawn until dusk) when the display face is in direct sunlight. A community landmark sign display face shall not spill light or glare exceeding 0.3-foot candles of light above the ambient light level.

Sec. 3-101. - Prohibited community landmark signs.

The following community landmark signs shall not be permitted to remain or be erected:

- (I) Signs that do not meet construction standards and signs or structures which have been erected without a permit having been issued therefore and thus are illegal.
- (2) Signs that are illegal under state laws or regulations. (3) Signs that are not clean and in good repair.
- (4) Signs that are not securely fixed on a substantial structure.
- (5) Signs that attempt or appear to attempt to regulate, warn or direct the movement of traffic which interferes with, imitates or resembles any official traffic sign, signal or device.
- (6) Signs that are erected or maintained upon trees or painted or drawn upon rocks or other natural features.
- (7) Signs that are not consistent with the standards in this division.
- (8) Signs located on public property, unless placed thereon under lease arrangements or otherwise permitted by legal authority.
- (9) Signs shall not be placed one above the other in a stacked configuration and no roof top, piggy back stack, side by side and/or same direction multiple panel signs shall be permitted.

Sec. 3-102. - Compliance with building code, electrical code.

All community landmark signs must be in compliance with the provisions of the building code and the electrical code as adopted by the parish.

Sec. 3-I03. - Notification of violations.

Notification of violations of this division shall be made by registered letter from the office of the parish council.

Sec. 3-104. - Signs used in conjunction with uses permitted on review.

Signs used in conjunction with uses permitted on review shall be approved by the parish council.

Sec. 3-105. - Setback requirements.

Signs located in a sight triangle as defined in section 3-81 shall not obstruct vision between a height of three feet and a height of ten feet measured vertically from the street level at the base of the sign.

Sec. 3-I06. - Abandonments.

An abandoned community landmark sign must be removed within 90 days from the date official notice is given by the office of the parish council. Sec. 3-I07. - Construction.

- (I) The architecture of a community landmark sign shall incorporate visual art or architecture elements in addition to its messaging function thereby creating a unique or distinctive architectural design.
- (2) A community landmark sign design shall incorporate one or more of the following architectural elements: natural or reproduced stone, stucco, wood, brick, ornamental iron or decorative steel.
- (3) The Parish may require a community landmark sign to display the name of the Parish, municipality or local identifiable community area as part of the structure.

Sec. 3-108. - Maintenance.

Any community outdoor sign not meeting the following provisions shall be repaired within 30 days after receipt of notification by the parish council:

- (I) The area within a five-foot radius from the sign supports shall be properly maintained clear of brush, trees and other obstacles so as to make signs readily visible and free of ground clutter.
- (2) All burned out bulbs or damaged LED panels must be replaced.

Sec. 3-109. - Operation.

It shall be the responsibility of the sign owner to operate the community landmark sign in conformance to the provisions:

- (I) A community landmark sign shall provide availability and display time for municipal, civic and emergency messaging and may display on-premises and off-premises advertising.
- (2) The operation of a community landmark sign display face shall be allowable for a continuous 24 hours. Architectural, hardscape and landscape lighting features of the community landmark sign may also operate for a continuous 24hr. period.
- (3) All message or copy change of the community landmark sign display face shall be instantaneous. Scrolling, fading, animated, flashing or moving messages or copy is prohibited. No display face shall change message or copy more than once every 7 seconds.
- (4) A community landmark sign display face may not message or advertise adult or sexually oriented businesses or materials, hate speech, or use any form of profane language or promotion of any message that would be obscene in nature.

Sec. 3-II0. - Owner responsibility.

It shall be the responsibility of the sign owner to maintain and ensure conformance to the provisions of this division.

Secs. 3-111—3-120. - Reserved.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon signature of the Parish President and all previous ordinances in conflict with said ordinance are hereby repealed.

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk Tangipahoa Parish Council S/Lionell Wells, Chairman Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President Tangipahoa Parish

8. Adoption of T.P. Ordinance No. 19-11- An ordinance of the Tangipahoa Parish Council to change the boundary for precinct number 122A and create another precinct to be called precinct 122B, and to change the boundary for precinct number 124 and creating another precinct to be called precinct 124A, in Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana in compliance with Louisiana Revised Statute 18:532, to reduce the number of voters in precinct number 122A (1745), and 124 (1173), and move the balance of voters into the new precincts, 122B and 124A, and to establish a new polling location for precincts 122B and 124A at Eighth Ward fire station number 2- Mr. Don Marshall spoke in support of the amendments.

Motion made by Councilman Vial, seconded by Councilman Bailey to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 19-11. Roll call vote was as follows: Voting Yea: Councilman Forrest, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilman Cortez

Nays: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Lavine

T. P. ORDIANCE NUMBER 19-11

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARY FOR PRECINCT NUMBER 122A AND CREATE ANOTHER PRECINCT TO BE CALLED PRECINCT 122B, and TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARY FOR PRECINCT NUMBER 124 AND CREATE ANOTHER PRECINCT TO BE CALLED PRECINCT 124A, IN TANGIPAHOA PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN COMPLIANCE WITH LOUISIANA REVISTED STATUTE 18:532, TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF VOTERS IN PRECINCT 122A (1745), and 124 (1173) AND MOVE THE BALANCE OF VOTERS INTO THE NEW PRECINCTS, 122B and 124A, AND TO ESTABLISH A NEW POLLING LOCATION FOR PRECINCT 122B and 124A AT 8TH WARD FIRE STATION #2."

WHEREAS, there are numerous problems stemming from overcrowding and lack of sufficient parking, etc. at voting precincts 122A and 124, located at Champ Cooper School; and

WHEREAS, voters located in the Eastern most areas of Ponchatoula must travel substantial distances to vote; and

WHEREAS, Tangipahoa Parish Precinct Number 122A currently has 1745 voters and Precinct Number 124 currently has 1173 voters, according to figures provided by the Tangipahoa Parish Registrar of Voters, it is necessary to divide these two precincts to avoid overcrowding; and WHEREAS, the 8th Ward Fire Station #2 is a facility located at 27475 Hwy 22, in the Eastern most area of Ponchatoula where the newly created precincts, 122B and 124A, will be located.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Tangipahoa Parish Council, the legislative branch of parish government, which along with the Parish President of Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, constitute the parish government, the said Tangipahoa Parish Council-President Government having a Home Rule Charter form of government and acting pursuant to the authority of that Home Rule Charter, which became effective on October 27, 1986, as follows:

That a new polling place location at 8th Ward Fire Station #2, located at 27475 Hwy 22, Ponchatoula, LA be established; That Tangipahoa Parish Precinct Number 122A, having 1745 voters, shall continue to be located at the Champ Cooper School polling location, and is hereby divided and reduced in size and population, and as such is revised and amended to be contained within the following boundaries, to-wit:

PRECINCT 122A:

Beginning at the intersection of P-Kaw-Shun Creek and the centerline of Interstate 12, thence easterly along the centerline of Interstate 12 to the intersection of Fire Tower Road, thence south along the centerline of Fire Tower Road to its intersection with the centerline of Highway 22, thence in a westerly direction along the centerline of Highway 22 to its intersection with the centerline of Highway 445, thence in a northerly direction along the centerline of Highway 445 to its intersection with Sims Creek, thence in an easterly direction along the centerline of Sims Creek to the intersection with P-Kaw-Shun Creek, thence easterly and northerly along the centerline of P-Kaw-Shun Creek back to the point of beginning.

That the Tangipahoa Parish Council hereby creates Precinct Number 122B, from the remaining portion of the original Precinct 122A, with Precinct Number 122B contained within the following boundaries, to-wit:

PRECINCT 122B:

Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Highway 190 and the east line of Tangipahoa Parish, thence southerly along the east line of Tangipahoa Parish to its intersection with the centerline of Highway 22, thence westerly along the centerline of Highway 22 to its intersection with the centerline of Fire Tower road, thence north along the centerline of Fire Tower road to its intersection with the centerline of Highway 190, thence easterly along the centerline of Highway 190 back to the point of beginning.

That new Precinct 122B shall be located at the new polling location at 8th Ward Fire Station #2, in Ponchatoula, Louisiana;

That Tangipahoa Parish Precinct Number 124, having 1173 voters, shall continue to be located at the Champ Cooper School polling location, and is hereby divided and reduced in size and population, and as such is revised and amended to be contained within the following boundaries, to-wit:

PRECINCT 124:

Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of the Tangipahoa River and Highway 22, thence in a easterly direction along the centerline of Highway 22 to the intersection of Edwards Road, thence in a southerly direction along the centerline of Edwards Road to the intersection of the centerline of Traino Road, thence in a southwesterly direction along the centerline of Traino Road and Lees Landing Road to its intersection with the centerline of the Tangipahoa River, thence in a northerly direction along the centerline of the Tangipahoa River back to the point of beginning.

That the Tangipahoa Parish Council hereby creates Precinct Number 124A, from the remaining portion of the original Precinct 124, with Precinct Number 124A contained within the following boundaries, to-wit:

PRECINCT 124A:

Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Highway 22 and the east line of Tangipahoa Parish, thence south along the east line of Tangipahoa Parish to its intersection with the northern shoreline of Lake Ponchatrain, thence in the southwesterly direction along the shoreline of Lake Ponchatrain to the intersection of the centerline of the Tangipahoa River, thence in a northerly direction along the centerline of the Tangipahoa River to its intersection with the natural extension of Lees Landing Road, thence in a northeasterly direction along the centerline of Lees Landing Road and Traino Road to its intersection with the centerline of Edwards Road, thence in a northerly direction along the centerline of Edwards Road to its intersection with the centerline of Highway 22, thence in an easterly direction along the center line of Highway 22 back to the point of beginning.

That new Precinct I24A shall be located at the new polling location at 8th Ward Fire Station #2, in Ponchatoula, Louisiana. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Tangipahoa Parish Council that this ordinance shall

take effect immediately upon the signature of the Tangipahoa Parish President.

The above and foregoing ordinance having been duly submitted to the Tangipahoa Parish Council in writing; introduced at a public meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish council; discussed at a duly scheduled and noticed public hearing; and motion and second was submitted to the official vote of the Tangipahoa Parish Council.

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk Tangipahoa Parish Council S/Lionell Wells, Chairman Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President Tangipahoa Parish

9. Appoint/Re-appoint - Sewerage District No. I of Tangipahoa Parish- Motion by Councilman Joseph, seconded by Councilman Bruno to appoint Mr. James Miller as commissioner to the Sewerage District No. I Board of Commissioners. This term will expire March 2023. Voting Yea: Councilman Forrest, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilman Cortez

Nays: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Lavine

BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PERMITS- None

LEGAL MATTERS- None

<u>ADJOURN</u>- With no further business appearing, on motion by Councilman Vial, Seconded by Councilman Cortez, the Tangipahoa Parish Council adjourned.

S/Kristen Pecararo Clerk S/Lionell Wells Chairman

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