

PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL ON AUGUST 12, 2024, AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH GORDON A BURGESS GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING, 206 EAST MULBERRY STREET, AMITE, LOUISIANA Mr. Vial, Chair made it known a public hearing was being held on the following:

SPECIAL EVENT - The Manor, Friday, August 23, 2024, 3:00pm – 7:00pm, 46398 Morris Rd, Hammond, District 8 – Ms. Tasha Robinson, producer, provided information in regard to the event. The chair made Ms. Robinson aware the sound control ordinance would apply to this event if a complaint is reported.

T.P. Ordinance No. 24-33, T.P. Ordinance No. 24-34, T.P. Ordinance No. 24-35, T.P. Ordinance No. 24-37, T.P. Ordinance No. 24-38 – No one from the public asked to speak

T.P. Ordinance No. 24-39 – Chris and Michelle Fischer, 49385 Kinchen Rd, Tickfaw, and Nick Ogima, 1024 Hwy 1063, Independence – spoke in opposition

**MINUTES OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL
AUGUST 12, 2024 MEETING**

The Tangipahoa Parish Council met on the 12th day of August 2024 in Regular Session and was called to order by Mr. David Vial, Chairman following the public hearing at 5:30pm. The Chair asked that all cell phones be muted or turned off.

The Invocation was given by Councilwoman Hyde and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Joseph.

The following members were PRESENT: Darrell Sinagra, John Ingraffia, Louis Joseph, Joseph Havis, Buddy Ridgel, Joey Mayeaux, Lionell Wells, David Vial, Brigitte Hyde, Strader Cieutat

ADOPTION OF MINUTES Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated July 22, 2024. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

PUBLIC INPUT - No one from the public asked to speak.

PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. RECOGNITION of the 2025 Amite Oyster Festival Royalty – Dawson Primes, Chairman of Board, introduced Demi Drago, Petite Miss; Bentley Simmons, Little Miss; Hayden Thornton, Jr Miss; Kenlee Anthony, Deb Miss; Anita and Tommy Cutrer, King and Pearl; Mia Terrebonne, Miss Amite Oyster Queen
2. APPROVAL TO SEEK BIDS – Motion by Mr. Ingraffia, seconded by Mr. Havis to approve to seek bids for the New Loranger Library Branch. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

Item 3 and Item 4 were taken together

3. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER # 1 and 4. APPROVAL OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION – Motion by Mr. Ridgel, seconded by Mrs. Cieutat to **REMOVE** change order #1 and substantial completion of the Ponchatoula FTA Pedestrian Improvements Project. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
5. APPROVAL TO HIRE – Motion by Mr. Ingraffia, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve to hire a contractor to cut grass at 42322 Atmore Place, Ponchatoula, LA 70454, Assessment #6424929 in District 2 and lien property the cost of contract plus administrative fees. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
6. APPROVAL TO HIRE – Motion by Mr. Havis, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve to hire a contractor to cut grass at 53595 Cason Road, Independence, LA 70443, Assessment #917001 in District 4 and lien property the cost of contract plus administrative fees. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

Mr. Miller asked to amend the agenda to add Approval to Seek Bids for Asphalt Parking at the arena for 4H Project area and Camper Spots

Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Havis to approve amending the agenda. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Havis to approve to seek bids for Asphalt Parking at the arena for 4H Project area and Camper Spots. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

Mr. Ingraffia asked Mr. Miller about a constituent receiving a letter from the parish for surveying that will begin and asked if this surveying was like the parish had done previously with measuring of creeks and rivers.

Missy Cowart informed the council the letter is in regard to the Watershed Projects and gathering more information to move forward with the project.

REGULAR BUSINESS

7. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EVENT – Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Wells to approve special event The Manor, Friday, August 23, 2024, 3:00pm – 7:00pm, 46398 Morris Rd, Hammond, District 8. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
8. NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION – The Chair read the notification of election for the upcoming millage renewal election of the Mosquito Abatement District No. 1. No Action Taken

9. NOTIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SALE – Motion by Mrs. Hyde, seconded Mr. Wells to approve the sale of land and improvements owned by the Hospital Service District No. 1, .70A being .35A Lot 14 & .35A Lot 15 of Strawberry Farms, Assessment #6122752. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

10. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-33 - An Ordinance setting the Millage rates as adjusted for the Levy of Taxes for the Year 2024 - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on July 22, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at www.tangipahoa.org together with a notice of public hearing, which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on August 12, 2024. Motion by Mr. Wells seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-33. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
11. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-34 - An Ordinance to Levy adjusted Millage rates after Reassessment and Roll Forward the Millage rates for the Year of 2024 - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on July 22, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at www.tangipahoa.org together with a notice of public hearing, which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on August 12, 2024. Motion by Mr. Mayeaux seconded by Mr. Havis to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-34. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
12. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-35 - An Ordinance to abandon the dedication of Estay Lane, Kentwood in its entirety from beginning at Hwy 51 to Dead End, in length .0193 miles, in width 13 feet, gravel surface, located in District 1 - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on July 22, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at www.tangipahoa.org together with a notice of public hearing, which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on August 12, 2024. Motion by Mr. Sinagra seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-35. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
13. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-37 - An Ordinance to provide for an exemption of Parish Government One Cent (1¢) Sales Tax on purchases of Firearms, Ammunition, and Hunting supplies during the State of Louisiana Sales Tax Holiday, September 6-8, 2024 - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on July 22, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at www.tangipahoa.org together with a notice of public hearing, which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on August 12, 2024. Motion by Mr. Ingraffia seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-37. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
14. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-38 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance 80-4A Grant of Franchise/Eastern Heights Water Works Associates, Inc. - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on July 22, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at www.tangipahoa.org together with a notice of public hearing, which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on August 12, 2024. Motion by Mr. Havis seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-38. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
15. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-39 - An Ordinance to amend and enact Chapter 38-Solid Waste, Article II-Collection and Disposal and Article III-Solid Waste Facilities - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on July 22, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at www.tangipahoa.org together with a notice of public hearing, which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on August 12, 2024. Motion by Mr. Joseph seconded by to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-39. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat NAY: Mr. Havis

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

16. ADOPTION of T.P. Resolution No. R24-28 - A Resolution granting approval to Tangipahoa Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 (the “*District*”), to call and hold an election in the newly annexed area (the Town of Roseland) of the District on Saturday, December 7, 2024, to authorize the levy and collection of all taxes currently being levied and collected within the District. Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R24-28. Roll call vote as follows. YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

17. HAMMOND AREA RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 1 – Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mrs. Hyde to accept the resignation of Scott Eyster and approve new appointment Jessica Bennett to fill unexpired term, expiring June 2026, District 8 for the Hammond Area Recreation District No. 1 board. Roll call vote as follows. YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

18. HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1 (North Oaks) – Motion by Mr. Havis, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to approve new appointment Tonia Canale, to serve 1st term, expiring August 2030, District 4 for the Hospital Service District No. 1 (North Oaks) board. Roll call vote as follows. YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PERMITS - None

LEGAL MATTERS - None

COUNCILMEN'S PRIVILEGES

Mr. Joseph reminded the public Thursday, August 15th at 10:30am would be the dedicating the City of Independence as a Purple Heart City. The Purple Heart metal is awarded to service members killed or wounded in action as an honor for the willingness to sacrifice their lives to protect their country.

Mr. Joseph commended Barry Bradford, Tangipahoa Parish Library, on the program held in Hammond with the Victory Belles, a traditional group established during WWII that would sing to the veterans to get them through the war.

Mr. Vial expressed condolences to Mr. Wells on the recent loss of his sister.

Mr. Mayeaux commended Ryan Barker on the successful Back to School Bash at CP Mitchell Memorial that handed out over 150 backpacks.

ADJOURN

With no further discussion, Motion by Mr. Wells to adjourn the meeting. No opposition.

S/Jill DeSouge, Council Clerk
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/David P. Vial, Chairman
Tangipahoa Parish Council