

PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 22, 2021 AT 5:30P.M. AT THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH GOVERNMENT BURGESS BUILDING , 206 EAST MULBERRY STREET, AMITE, LOUISIANA - Mrs. Hyde made known there were no public hearing items to discuss.

MINUTES OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL  
NOVEMBER 22, 2021

The Tangipahoa Parish Council met on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2021 in Regular Session and was called to order by Mrs. Brigitte Hyde, Chairwoman immediately following the public hearing at 5:30 P.M. The Chair asked that all cell phones be muted or turned off.

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

The following members were PRESENT: Trent Forrest, John Ingraffia, Louis Joseph, Carlo Bruno, Buddy Ridgel, Joey Mayeaux, Lionell Wells, David Vial, Brigitte Hyde, Kim Coates

ADOPTION OF MINUTES – Motion was made by Mr. Wells, Seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated November 8, 2021.

PUBLIC INPUT - *Anyone Wishing to Address Agenda Items Which Were Not on Public Hearing* – No one from the public asked to address any agenda item.

PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Presentation: SALT of the Earth Heroes – the organization Seniors and Law Enforcement Together, Mr. Haskell Powell and Dot Kenney, President of SALT presented plaques to local Chiefs and the local Sheriff for recognition of the work performed during and after Hurricane Ida. The Chiefs and Representatives present to accept a plaque were, Bry Layrisson, Ponchatoula; Pat Farris, 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Marshall; Lendrick Francois, Amite; Ed Bergeron, Hammond; Ethan Dunn, TPSO
2. Financial Report – Mr. Miller made it known the financial reports were emailed and in the packets.
3. Approve the Appointment and set the Salary of the Personnel Officer – Motion was made by Mr. Joseph, Seconded by Mr. Wells to appoint Ms. Roshanda Johnson as the Personnel Officer with a starting pay of \$40.85/hour.  
YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

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Mr. Miller gave an update on the debris picked up - the parish is just shy of picking up 2.5 million cubic yards of debris or in layman terms 50,565 loads made by the debris trucks with more to be picked up.

REGULAR BUSINESS

*INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES*

4. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-81 - an ordinance to declare the malapportionment status of the current districting plan of the Parish's single member election districts of the Tangipahoa Parish Council utilizing the population data from the 2020 Federal Decennial Census; and otherwise, to provide with respect thereto Motion made by Mr. Wells, Seconded by Mr. Vial to set for public hearing TP Ordinance No 21-81 on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 5:30pm for the purpose receiving input from the public on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote as follows:  
YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

5. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-82 - an ordinance amending T.P. Ordinance No. 20-46 - adoption of Operating and Capital Outlay Budgets of the Tangipahoa Parish Council - President Government for Fiscal Year 2021  
Motion made by Mr. Wells, Seconded by Mrs. Coates to set for public hearing TP Ordinance No 21-82 on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 5:30pm for the purpose receiving input from the public on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote as follows:  
YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates
  
6. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-83 - an ordinance amending and enacting - Chapter 17 Planning and Development, Article IV - Standards for Subdivision of Property  
Motion made by Mr. Vial, Seconded by Mr. Ridgel to set for public hearing TP Ordinance No 21-83 on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 5:30pm for the purpose receiving input from the public on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote as follows:  
YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

*ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS*

7. ADOPTION of Resolution 21-21 - a Resolution granting approval to Rural Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the "District"), to call and hold an election on Saturday, March 26, 2022, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a ten (10) mill ad valorem tax on assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in the District, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2024 and ending with the year 2033, for the purpose of improving, maintaining and operating the District's fire protection facilities, for purchasing fire trucks and other fire-fighting equipment, paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes, including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service; and further providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Rural Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the "District") adopted a Resolution on November 22, 2021, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the District on Saturday, March 26, 2022, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a ten (10) mill ad valorem tax on assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in the District, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2024 and ending with the year 2033, for the purpose of improving, maintaining and operating the District's fire protection facilities, for purchasing fire trucks and other fire-fighting equipment, paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes, including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service (the "Tax"), all in the manner conferred by La. R.S. 40:1501, Article VI, Section 30 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, as amended, and the applicable provisions of Chapters 6 and 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority (the "District Resolution"), a copy of which is on file with the Parish Council of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana, as governing authority of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the "Parish Council");

WHEREAS, the District has made application to the Parish Council for approval to call and hold such election on Saturday, March 26, 2022, as more fully set forth in the District Resolution;

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 15 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended, and Section 1415 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, grants power to the Parish Council to approve any proposal submitted by the District to levy a tax;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council, as the governing authority of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to a request submitted to this Parish Council by the District, approval is hereby granted to the District to call and hold an election on Saturday, March 26, 2022, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a ten (10) mill ad valorem tax on assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in the District, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2024 and ending with the year 2033, for the purpose of improving, maintaining and operating the District's fire protection facilities, for purchasing fire trucks and other fire-fighting equipment, paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes, including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service (the "Tax"), in the manner conferred by La. R.S. 40:1501, Article VI, Section 30 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, as amended, and the applicable provisions of Chapters 6 and 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority and as more fully set forth in the District Resolution.

SECTION 2. In the event the foregoing proposition passes, approval, consent and authority are hereby granted to the District to levy and collect the Tax described in Section 1 hereof.

SECTION 3. This approval is granted in compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended, and Section 1415 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

On motion by Coates and seconded by Ingraffia, the foregoing Resolution was hereby declared adopted on this the 22nd day of November, 2021 by the following roll-call vote:

YEAS: Forrest, Ingraffia, Joseph, Bruno, Ridgel, Mayeaux, Vial, Hyde, Coates, Wells

NAYS:

ABSENT:

NOT VOTING:

ATTEST:

S/Jill DeSouge, Council Clerk, Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Brigitte Hyde, Chairwoman, Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President, Tangipahoa Parish

8. Appoint/Re-Appoint Tangipahoa Voluntary Council on Aging- Motion made by Mrs. Coates, Seconded by Mr. Vial to re-appoint as a Commissioner to the TVCOA Board - Ms. Janet Dennis serving a 2<sup>nd</sup> term expiring October 2024. Roll call vote as follows:  
YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates
9. Appoint/Re-Appoint Tangipahoa Parish Communication District No. 1 (911) – Motion made by Mr. Joseph, Seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to appoint as a Commissioner to the Communication District No 1 (911) Board - Mr. Ethan Dunn serving 1<sup>st</sup> term expiring June 2025. Roll call vote as follows:  
YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates
10. Appoint/Re-Appoint Planning Commission Board – Motion made by Mr. Ridgel, Seconded by Mr. Vial to appoint as a Commissioner to the Planning Commission Board - Mr. Jack Gautreaux serving 1<sup>st</sup> term expiring October 2026.

**BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PERMITS** – None

**LEGAL MATTERS** – None

**COUNCILMEN'S PRIVILEGES**

Mr. Joseph thanked Mr. Miller and Staff for assisting with the Road Dedication Ceremony of Mr. Toefield and Mr. Kent. Mr. Joseph provided 5 newspapers with the articles asking Mr. Miller if he could arrange for them to be framed to give to Mr. Toefields wife, Mr. Kents wife, Senator Mizell, Representative Freeman, and the Sheriff Department

Mr. Joseph congratulated the Amite Warriors High School Football team for making the Semi-finals

Mrs. Hyde congratulated the Ponchatoula Greenwaves High School Football team playing in their 3<sup>rd</sup> playoff game –Ponchatoula has scored 426 points with their opponents scoring 64 points in 10 games.

**ADJOURN** – With no further business appearing, a motion was made by Mr. Wells and Seconded by Mr. Vial to adjourn.

S/Jill DeSouge, Council Clerk  
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Brigette Hyde, Chairwoman  
Tangipahoa Parish Council