

PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL ON MAY 9, 2022, AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH GORDON A BURGESS GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING, 206 EAST MULBERRY STREET, AMITE, LOUISIANA Mrs. Hyde made it known there were no items on Public Hearing.

MINUTES OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL
MAY 9, 2022 MEETING

The Tangipahoa Parish Council met on the 9th day of May 2022 in Regular Session and was called to order by Mrs. Brigitte Hyde, Chairwoman immediately following the public hearing at 5:30pm. 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 Forrest.

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

1. PRESENTATION Veterans Upward Bound

**Councilman Joseph commended and congratulated Tangipahoa Parish for the support given to the Veterans of our parish, noting the patriotism of the parish is like no other.

**Chevonne Neal with Veterans Upward Bound introduced the program that is housed at Southeastern Louisiana University and has been in existence for 32 years. Veterans Upward Bound is a pre-college program with the mission to increase the motivation and skills necessary for the veterans to complete a secondary education in order to enter and complete a post-secondary education program. The program recruits veterans drafted from the Vietnam era and forward that were not able to complete their education.

**Elisa Washington with Veterans Upward Bound explained the orientation process of the recruited veterans. A needs assessment of the veterans determines the next step which could be a college of choice or life skills such as computer technology. The program will go to the veterans for the assessments. The slogan Ms. Washington says is: We meet you where you are, What do you want to do, and We will walk with you!

Veterans Upward Bound, SLU 10548, Hammond, LA (985)549-3390 or (800) 616-2316

ADOPTION OF MINUTES Motion made by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Wells to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated April 25, 2022. Roll call as follows:

YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

PUBLIC INPUT - No one from the public asked to address any agenda item.

PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2. LITTER UPDATE Manchac Cleanup with Entergy – May 21st is Manchac cleanup day at the boat launch starting at 8:00 a.m.

3. PROCLAMATION Economic Development Week – May 9th – 13th – present to accept Ginger Cangelosi, Rhonda Sheridan and Joe Mier.

**Director Ginger Cangelosi thanked the council for the support, commenting the goal is to improve the economic landscape of the parish, create good quality jobs, and improve the quality of life for the residents in Tangipahoa Parish.

**Rhonda Sheridan thanked the council on behalf of the foundation.

4. RECOGNITION of KEYS Alliance Graduating Seniors – Mr. Miller gave the history of KEYS, a program created in 2011 by the partnering of TRACC Coalition and Tangipahoa Parish Crime Stoppers for junior high and high school students who work together as a youth leadership group that focus on creating a healthier lifestyle for their peers.

**Taylor Addison recognized 2 graduating students:

Hammond High School - Krishan Chappell and Mykell Jones

**Mr. Bruno congratulated the students for their high school career successes

**Mr. Vial commented the drive for the Economic Development Foundation is to provide good quality jobs for these students

5. APPROVAL TO HIRE Fleur De Lis Title Company as Abstract Attorney for Condemnation of Blighted Structures – Mr. Miller made it known the hiring would be to help the parish move the structures and clean the property up.

**Mr. Vial agreed this is a great move and a process would need to be discussed on the implementation within the districts

**Mr. Joseph asked if this is related to the grant that deals with abandoned homes

**Mr. Miller was not aware of a grant but would look into it further

Motion made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mrs. Coates to approve the hire of Fleur De Lis Title Company as Abstract Attorney for Condemnation of Blighted Structures. 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. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO 1 for Velma Sewer System Improvements – Mr. Miller made it known this is to add low and moderate income residential service connections to the sewer system, noting some of this is grant money and some is parish money.

**Mr. Bruno commented he thought this was in the grant

**Mr. Miller stated it was but the cost of construction was higher when it went out for bid

Motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Wells to approve change order no 1 for Velma Sewer System Improvements in the amount of \$41,650.00. 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

7. APPROVAL TO AMEND AND ENACT the Florida Parishes Arena and Event Center Rules of Operation – Motion made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve and enact the amended Rules of Operation for the Florida Parishes Arena and Event Center. 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

**Mr. Miller discussed the Ordinance for the Landfill tipping fees to automatically adjust the fees based on the consumer price index. The CPI from last year to this year is a little over 7%. The ordinance does not allow for an increase over 5% and the parish is not even thinking of asking for that much of an increase. Mr. Miller is informing the council the most the parish would increase is 2%. Mr. Miller gave an itemized indication of the cost, commercial waste rates would increase \$0.77/ton, in parish residential waste rates would increase \$0.66/ton, and rural waste for contractor haulers would increase \$0.27/ton if the parish increased to 2%.

**Mr. Miller gave an update from Entergy on the street light repairs with Entergy reporting 78.12% repaired and Hwy 22 and Pumpkin Center Road being completed. Residents should call in if they are seeing repairs completed around them but they are still see lights out.

**Mr. Bruno asked about the stump removal stating he does not understand what the process is with the contractors.

**Mr. Bruno discussed Addison Road being narrow and large stumps sticking out in the road every 6 feet. Mr. Bruno was told Eastern Heights Water Co. told the contractor to not pull the stumps up due to it pulling up their water lines. Mr. Bruno asked administration to get with Eastern Heights Water Co. because the stumps cannot remain as they are and representative with Eastern Heights water will need to be on site to repair lines as the contractors remove the stumps.

REGULAR BUSINESS

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

8. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-15 - An Ordinance amending and enacting Chapter 6 - Alcoholic Beverages, Article II - High Alcoholic Content License and Article III - Low Alcoholic Content Licenses– Motion made by Mr. Forrest, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-15 and set public hearing for Monday, May 23, 2022, at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving input on the adoption thereof. Roll call as follows:

YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

9. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-16 - An Ordinance amending and enacting Chapter 8 - Amusements, Article III - Public Amusement– Motion made by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mrs. Coates to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-16 and set public hearing for Monday, May 23, 2022, at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving input on the adoption thereof. Roll call as follows:

YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

10. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-17 - An Ordinance amending and enacting Chapter 36 - Planning and Development, Article V - Standards for Development of Property, Section 36-113 - General Standards for Major Subdivisions and Special Use Commercial Developments– Motion made by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mrs. Coates to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-17 and set public hearing for Monday, May 23, 2022, at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving input on the adoption thereof. Roll call as follows:

YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

On a motion by Mr. Bruno to amend the agenda to Introduce T.P. Ordinance No. 22.18, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia. Roll Call as follows:

YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-18 – An Ordinance to grant a variance to Section 36-90, (e) Minor Commercial Partitions, (2) Each lot must be a minimum of one acre for 2 Sisters Unity, LLC, 19346 Hwy 40, Loranger, LA, Assessment #5344905 in Tangipahoa Parish, District No 2– Motion made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-18 and set public hearing for Monday, May 23, 2022, at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving input on the adoption thereof. Roll call as follows:

YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

11. RE-APPOINTMENT - Industrial Development Board (District 8) – Motion made by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Ridgel to re-appoint Carlee White Gonzales to the Industrial Development Board (District 8) for a 1st term, after serving an unexpired term. This term will expire May 2028. Roll Call as follows:

YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates ABSENT: Mr. Bruno

12. NEW APPOINTMENT - Mosquito Abatement District Board (District 8) – Motion made by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Forrest to appoint Charlie Ciolino to the Mosquito Abatement District Board (District 8) for a 1st term that will expire July 2025. Roll Call as follows:

YEA: Mr. Forrest, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Coates ABSENT: Mr. Bruno

BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PERMITS - None

LEGAL MATTERS- None

COUNCILMEN'S PRIVILEGES

**Mr. Vial reiterated that residents need to start calling Entergy or the parish to report lights out.

**Mr. Ridgel – Saturday, May 14th – Riff Ridgel Crawfish Boil in Tickfaw

With no further discussion a motion was made by Mr. Ridgel to adjourn.

S/Jill DeSouge, Council Clerk
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Brigitte Hyde, Chairwoman
Tangipahoa Parish Council