

**MINUTES OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL**  
**July 12, 2021**

**PUBLIC NOTICE** - Notice Is Hereby Given That the Tangipahoa Parish Council Will Meet in **Regular Session** on Monday, July 12, 2021 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, July 12, 2021 at 5:30 PM At Tangipahoa Parish Government Building, 206 East Mulberry Street, Amite, Louisiana, contact number (985) 748-3211, on the following: None

**Tangipahoa Parish Council**  
**Tangipahoa Parish Government Building**  
**206 E. Mulberry Street, Amite, LA 70422**  
**Regular Meeting Immediately Following Public Hearing**  
**July 12, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER**- Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Brigette Hyde, Chairwoman

**INVOCATION**- Mr. Jeff McKneely

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (*All Veterans and active military, please render the proper salute*)- Councilman Buddy Ridgel

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

Councilman John Ingraffia  
Councilman Louis Joseph  
Councilman Carlo Bruno  
Councilman Buddy Ridgel  
Councilman Joey Mayeaux  
Councilman Lionell Wells  
Councilman David Vial  
Councilwoman Brigette Hyde  
Councilwoman Kim Coates

ABSENT

Councilman Trent Forrest

**CELL PHONES** - *Please Mute or Turn Off*

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**- Motion made by Councilman Vial, seconded by Councilman Wells adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated June 28, 2021. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC INPUT** - *Anyone Wishing to Address Agenda Items Which Were Not on Public Hearing*- Public input was heard from the following residents regarding item no. 6:

Delores Costanza, Wayne Hughes, Gen. Rodney Painting, Stan Genovese, Norman Alkazin

**PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

1. Approval to seek bids- Sisters Road bridge replacement- Mr. Miller made it known that this item should have been listed as approval to seek bids for the S. Airport/N. Hoover Road improvement project. Motion was then made by Councilman Vial, seconded by Councilman Joseph to give approval to seek bids on the S. Airport/N. Hoover Road improvement project contingent upon state approval. Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest
2. Approval to seek bids- Pate Lane bridge over Selsers Creek- Motion made by Councilman Vial, seconded by Councilman Joseph giving approval to seek bids for the Pate Lane bridge project over Selsers Creek. Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

3. Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-46- Providing for the levy of taxes for the year of 2021- Motion made by Councilman Wells, seconded by Councilwoman Coates to table the foregoing item. Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest

4. Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-47- An ordinance placing 15 MPH speed limit signs and drive like your kids live here signs on Cassidy Lane in District No. 10 in Tangipahoa Parish in accordance with Chapter 20 streets, roads, sidewalks and drainage- Article I, in General- Section 20- Motion made by Councilwoman Coates, seconded by Councilman Wells to introduce T.P. Ordinance No. 21-47 and set public hearing for Monday, July 26, 2021 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof . Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest
5. Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-48- An ordinance repealing to recodify current code sections regarding Shooting ranges, Mining Operations, Auto Impounds, Salvage and Recycling Facilities, Halfway houses, & Juvenile Detention facilities, and Renewable Energy and amending Chapter 17, Article IX-Developments with special provisions regarding: Shooting ranges, Mining Operations, Auto Impounds, Salvage and Recycling Facilities, Halfway houses, & Juvenile Detention facilities, and Renewable Energy- There was a lengthy discussion between councilmembers regarding the necessity of the proposed ordinance. Motion was then made by Councilwoman Coates, seconded by Councilman Wells to introduce T.P. Ordinance No. 21-48 and set public hearing for Monday, July 26, 2021 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: 1 (Councilman Bruno)  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest
6. Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-49- An ordinance to amend Chapter 17, Planning and Development- Article IX, adding Section 9.6- Renewable energy regulations regarding solar power plants- Motion made by Councilwoman Coates, seconded by Councilman Ridgel to introduce T.P. Ordinance No. 21-49 and set public hearing for Monday, July 26, 2021 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest
7. Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-50- An ordinance placing no truck route signs and weight limit signs at the bridge on North Hoover Road in District No. 9- Motion made by Councilman Mayeaux, seconded by Councilman Wells to introduce T.P. Ordinance No. 21-50 and set public hearing for Monday, July 26, 2021 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest
- Amend Agenda- Motion was made by Councilman Mayeaux, seconded by Councilman Wells to amend the agenda by unanimous vote to add the introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-51- An ordinance to grant variances to Tangipahoa Parish Code of Ordinances Chapter 17 for Otis Betts, Jr. at 44336 Zeno Lane, Hammond, Louisiana 70403 in Tangipahoa Parish Council District No. 8 and introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-52- An ordinance to grant variances to Tangipahoa Parish Code of Ordinances Chapter 17-5.2 (c) and 5.3 (h) for MGD Deluxe, LLC at the assessment parcel number 4498208 in Hammond, Louisiana 70403 in Tangipahoa Parish Council District No. 6. Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest
- Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-51- An ordinance to grant variances to Tangipahoa Parish Code of Ordinances Chapter 17 for Otis Betts, Jr. at 44336 Zeno Lane, Hammond, Louisiana 70403 in Tangipahoa Parish Council District No. 8- Motion made by Councilman Vial, seconded by Councilman Ingraffia to introduce T.P. Ordinance No. 21-51 and set public hearing for Monday, July 26, 2021 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:  
Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest
- Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 21-52- An ordinance to grant variances to Tangipahoa Parish Code of Ordinances Chapter 17-5.2 (c) and 5.3 (h) for MGD Deluxe, LLC at the assessment parcel number 4498208 in Hammond, Louisiana 70403 in Tangipahoa Parish Council District No. 6- Motion made by Councilman Mayeaux, seconded by Councilman Ridgel to introduce T.P. Ordinance No. 21-52 and set public hearing for Monday, July 26, 2021 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Forrest

8. Adoption of T.P. Resolution No. R21-12- A Resolution granting approval to Hospital Service District No. 2 of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the "District"), to call and hold an election on Saturday, November 13, 2021, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a five (5) mills tax on assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in the District, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2022 and ending with the year 2031, for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing, acquiring, improving, maintaining, operating hospital facilities of the District and any other lawful purposes of the District; and further providing for other matters in connection therewith- Motion made by Councilman Wells, seconded by Councilman Mayeaux to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R21-12. Roll call vote was as follows: Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest

T.P. RESOLUTION NO. R21-12

A Resolution granting approval to Hospital Service District No. 2 of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the "District"), to call and hold an election on Saturday, November 13, 2021, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a five (5) mills tax on assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in the District, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2022 and ending with the year 2031, for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing, acquiring, improving, maintaining, operating hospital facilities of the District and any other lawful purposes of the District; and further providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Hospital Service District No. 2 of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the "District") will adopt a Resolution on July 27, 2021, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the District on Saturday, November 13, 2021, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a five (5) mills ad valorem tax for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2022 and ending with the year 2031, for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing, acquiring, improving, maintaining, operating hospital facilities of the District and any other lawful purposes of the District (the "Tax"), all in the manner conferred by Chapter 10 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (specifically La. R.S. 46:1065), and the applicable provisions of Chapter 6 and Chapter 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, November 13, 2021, 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, November 13, 2021, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a five (5) mills ad valorem tax for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2022 and ending with the year 2031, for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing, acquiring, improving, maintaining, operating hospital facilities of the District and any other lawful purposes of the District (the "Tax"), in the manner conferred by Chapter 10 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (specifically La. R.S. 46:1065), and the applicable provisions of Chapter 6 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, 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.

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk  
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Brigitte Hyde, Chairwoman  
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President  
Tangipahoa Parish

9. Appoint/Re-Appoint Tangipahoa Communications District No. 1 (911)- Motion made by Councilman Vial, seconded by Councilman Mayeaux to appoint Mr. Markus Jenkins as the Acadian Ambulance representative to fill the expired term of Mr. Patrick Simms. This term will expire June 2025. Roll call vote was as follows: Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest

10. Executive session- Personnel matters, prospective litigation- Motion made by Councilman Ridgel, seconded by Councilman Mayeaux to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Roll call vote was as follows: Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates  
Nays: None

Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilman Forrest

The meeting reconvened in open session-

Motion was then made by Councilman Ridgel, seconded by Councilwoman Coates at the recommendation of Tangipahoa Parish Council special legal counsel, Glen Galbraith, to implement the accommodations offered to Miss. Kristen Pecararo in the letter to her, through her attorney dated May 6, 2021. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilman Wells

Absent: Councilman Forrest

**BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PERMITS-**

DG Louisiana, LLC/ Dollar General Store #21603

27601 Driftwood Road

Folsom, Louisiana 70437

Class B/ Class A/B

Motion made by Councilman Ingraffia, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the class b and class a/b permits as recommended by TPSO. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting Yea: Councilman Ingraffia, Councilman Joseph, Councilman Bruno, Councilman Ridgel, Councilman Mayeaux, Councilman Wells, Councilman Vial, Councilwoman Hyde, Councilwoman Coates

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Forrest

**LEGAL MATTERS-** None

**COUNCILMEN'S PRIVILEGES** – Councilman Joseph announced a community meeting in Velma to give residents updates on the sewer project on Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM at Bickham Chapel Church.

Councilman Mayeaux announced that he has been in contact with CN Railroad and they will begin grass cutting next week, weather permitting.

**ADJOURN-** With no further business appearing, on motion by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Mayeaux, the Tangipahoa Parish Council adjourned.

S/Kristen Pecararo  
Clerk  
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Brigette Hyde  
Chairwoman  
Tangipahoa Parish Council