

PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 23, 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:

T.P. Ordinance No. 24-41, T.P. Ordinance No. 24-42, T.P. Ordinance No. 24-43, T.P. Ordinance No. 24-44 – No one from the public asked to speak on these items.

**MINUTES OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL**  
**SEPTEMBER 23, 2024 MEETING**

The Tangipahoa Parish Council met on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 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 Councilman Vial and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Mayeaux. 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 Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Wells to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated September 9, 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. PROCLAMATION - President Miller presented to Barry Bradford, board members, and members of the Art Center a Proclamation for Tangipahoa Parish Literary Day, October 12<sup>th</sup> the City of Hammond to host Poet Laureate of Louisiana, Allison Pelegrin. Melissa Griffin, Director of the Hammond Regional Art Center invited all to attend the event.
2. FINANCIAL REPORT- President Miller made it known monthly financial reports were emailed to the council.
3. APPROVAL TO ACCEPT – Motion by Mr. Ridgel, seconded by Mr. Havis to accept into the Parish Maintenance System – Fox Hollow Phase II – Red Fox Drive (*from Fox Hollow Blvd to Fox Hollow Loop*) in District 5. 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
4. APPROVAL TO HIRE – Motion by Mr. Mayeaux, seconded by Mr. Wells to approve to hire a contractor to cut grass at 42498 Happywoods Road, Hammond, LA 70403, Assessment #1893009 in District 6 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
5. APPROVAL TO SEEK BIDS – Motion by Mr. Ingraffia, seconded by Mr. Havis to approve to seek bids for H. Cologne Road Widening 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
6. APPROVAL OF BIDS – Motion by Mr. Mayeaux, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to approve low bidder McLin Construction, LLC in the amount of \$2,327,000.00 for 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
7. APPROVAL OF BIDS – Motion by Mr. Havis, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to approve low bidder RJ Daigle & Sons in the amount of \$280,000.00 for the Overlay Parking Lot at the Arena. 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

President Miller asked that items 8, 9, and 10 be removed from the agenda due to being inadvertently placed on the agenda by administration. The project is a state project and change orders do not need to be approved by the council.

Motion by Mr. Ridgel, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to remove Items 8, 9 and 10

8. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #1 for H.013938.6-R2 LA 3234 University Ave Sidewalks
  9. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #2 for H.013938.6-R2 LA 3234 University Ave Sidewalks
  10. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #3 for H.013938.6R-2 LA 3234 University Ave Sidewalks
- 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

Councilman Joseph asked the process of getting Hwy 51 overlaid from Independence to Amite. President Miller informed him that would be through DOTD and Administration would check to see if it is on the list.

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

11. PROPERTY TAX –TPC Acting as Board of Review for 2024 - Kevin Raiford, Assessor introduced Andrew Faller as the Chief Deputy in January when Mr. Raiford officially takes office. Mr. Raiford presented the assessed value for 2024 as 1,094,296,647 which averages about a 6.5% increase. No appeals were made. No Action Taken
12. APPROVAL OF DATE AND TIME FOR 2024 – Motion by Mr. Ridgel, seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to approve 2024 Trick-or-Treat for Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:00PM to 8:00PM. 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

13. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-41 - 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 September 9, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at [www.tangipahoa.org](http://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 September 23, 2024. Motion by Mr. Mayeaux seconded by Mr. Wells to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-41. 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. 24-42 - 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 September 9, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at [www.tangipahoa.org](http://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 September 23, 2024. Motion by Mr. Joseph seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-42. 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. 24-43 - An Ordinance to declare surplus 2017 Ford Cutaway Passenger Bus, Asset #24186 and authorize the donation of said surplus asset to the Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on September 9, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at [www.tangipahoa.org](http://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 September 23, 2024. Motion by Mr. Ingraffia seconded by Mr. Sinagra to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-43. 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
16. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-44 - An Ordinance establishing 25 mph speed limit and the placement of Drive Like Your Kids Live Here signs on N. Oller Road in District 4 - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on September 9, 2024, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at [www.tangipahoa.org](http://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 September 23, 2024. Motion by Mr. Havis seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 24-44. 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

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

17. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 24-45 - An Ordinance to grant a variance to Section 36-117-General Commercial Property Development Setbacks and Buffer Areas, (A) Building side and rear setbacks for Southern Tire Mart, Assessment #4607708 in District 8 - Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mrs. Hyde to introduce T.P. Ordinance No. 24-45 and set public hearing for Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 5:30pm for purpose of receiving input on the adoption thereof. 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 RESOLUTIONS

18. ADOPTION of T.P. Resolution No. R24-31 - A Resolution authorizing the Parish President to execute all documents and agreements in regard to the Louisiana Community Development Disaster Block Grant Program - FEMA PA Match – Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R24-31. 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
19. ADOPTION of T.P. Resolution No. R24-32 - A Resolution of the Tangipahoa Parish Council-President Government in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards – Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mrs. Havis to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R24-31. 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

20. HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1 (NORTH OAKS) – Motion by Mr. Ridgel, seconded by Mr. Havis to accept the resignation of Ron Macalusa and approve new appointment Chris Broadwater to fill the unexpired term, expires April 2025, District 5. 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
21. PLANNING COMMISSION – Motion by Mrs. Hyde, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to approve new appointment Carlo Bruno, 1st term, expires October 2029, District 8 and District 9. 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
22. TANGIPAHOA WATER DISTRICT – Motion by Mr. Sinagra, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to approve the re-appointment Marlon Milton to a 2nd term, District 1 and new appointment John Wilde to a 1st term, District 2, terms expire September 2028. 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

23. TANGIPAHOA VOLUNTARY COUNCIL ON AGING – Motion by Mrs. Cieutat, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to approve new appointment Cally Berner, 1st term, expires October 2027, District 10. 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**

24. Motion by Mrs. Hyde, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to approve the foregoing Beer, Wine, Liquor permit as approved by TPSO for Sugas Daiquiri & Seafood, LLC, 46608 Morris Road, Hammond, LA 70401, Class B Beer (Package Only) / Class B Liquor, District 8. The Chair made it known this permit is NO ONSITE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL. 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
25. Motion by Mr. Mayeaux, seconded by Ingraffia to approve the foregoing Beer, Wine, Liquor permit as approved by TPSO for Family Dollar Store #27572, 10257 Hwy 22, Ponchatoula, LA 70454, Class B Beer (Package Only) / Class A/B Liquor, District 6. 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

**LEGAL MATTERS** - None

**COUNCILMEN'S PRIVILEGES**

Mr. Vial reminded everyone the next meeting will be Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> due to Monday being Columbus Day holiday.

Mr. Joseph thanked all attendees and media that supported the POW/MIA ceremony.

Mr. Havis thanked Mr. Bruno for volunteering to serve on the Planning Commission board, as this board is very important for the growth of the parish.

**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