

PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 12, 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 for public hearing

**MINUTES OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL**  
**SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 MEETING**

The Tangipahoa Parish Council met on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022 in Regular Session and was called to order by Mrs. Brigitte Hyde, Chairwoman at 5:30pm. The Chair asked that all cell phones be muted or turned off.

The Invocation was given by Mr. Jeff McKneely and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Wells. 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 made by Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated August 22, 2022. 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

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

1. **PRESENTATION:** Rural Revitalization Program by Major Coleman, Capital Region State Director discussed the new initiative by the Governor to foster rural municipalities and rural unincorporated areas of the parish.

**PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

2. **APPROVAL OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION** for Sister's Road Bridge Replacement – Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mrs. Coates to approve the substantial completion for Sister's Road Bridge Replacement. 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 briefed the council before the request to amend the agenda. The Veteran's Administration is changing the housing program for Veterans and no longer funding the housing in shelters. The Veterans are now given vouchers to rent apartments. The VA pays for rent but it is the Veterans responsibility to pay the \$20.00 electrical permit.

On a Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Bruno to AMEND the agenda to add waiving the permit fee for Veterans. 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

Councilman Joseph clarified the waiving of the fee would be for Veterans living outside of Municipalities.

On a Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve to waive the parish \$20.00 electrical permit fee for Veterans receiving vouchers from the VA Veterans program and escorted by a VA employee. 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 asked to council to amend the agenda to add hiring a contractor to clean private property through the blighted and code enforcement division.

On a Motion by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Joseph to amend the agenda to add giving the administration authority to hire a contractor to clean private properties through the blighted and code enforcement division. 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

On a Motion by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve to hire a contractor to clean 3 individual private properties on Miley Niquiporo Lane, Tickfaw in District 4 through the blighted and code enforcement division. 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

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

*INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES*

3. **INTRODUCTION** of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-53 - An Ordinance repealing the language of Chapter 44 in its entirety and reserving the chapter – Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-53 and set public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30pm for the purpose of receiving input 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
4. **INTRODUCTION** of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-54 - An Ordinance amending and enacting Chapter 36-Planning and Development, Article V-Standards for Development of Property, Section 36-112-Special Classification Property Development Standards, (A)(4)-Spacing of Manufactured Home – Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-54 and set public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30pm for the purpose of receiving input 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. 22-55 - An Ordinance amending and enacting Chapter 36-Planning and Development, Article V-Standards for Development of Property, Section 36-116-Special Use Residential Commercial Developments, (C)(2)-Maximum Density and Minimum Acres – Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mrs. Coates to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-55 and set public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30pm for the purpose of receiving input 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. 22-56 - An Ordinance amending and enacting Chapter 36-Planning and Development, Article VIII-Developments with Special Provisions, Section 36-222-Mining Operations – Motion by Mr. Mayeaux, seconded by Mr. Vial to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-56 and set public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30pm for the purpose of receiving input 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
  7. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-57 - An Ordinance amending and enacting Chapter 36-Planning and Development, Article VIII-Developments with Special Provisions, Section 36-224-Renewable Energy Power Plants, (C)-General Regulations – Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-57 and set public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30pm for the purpose of receiving input 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
  8. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-58 - An Ordinance to grant a variance to Section 36-112-Special Classification Property Development Standards for John Milazzo Sr, Assessment #5413508 in District 2 – Motion by Mr. Ingraffia, seconded by Mr. Ridgel to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-58 and set public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30pm for the purpose of receiving input 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
  9. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-59 - An Ordinance to grant a variance to Section 36-112-Special Classification Property Development Standards for Charle T Moore and Jody Young, Assessment #2122006 in District 7 – The chair made it known a correction needed of the name INTRODUCTION reads as follows: T.P. Ordinance No. 22-59 - An Ordinance to grant a variance to Section 36-112-Special Classification Property Development Standards for Charlie T Moore and Jody Young, Assessment #2122006 in District 7– Motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-59 and set public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30pm for the purpose of receiving input 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
  10. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-60 - An Ordinance amending and enacting Chapter 52-Vehicles for Hire – The chair made it known T.P. Ordinance No. 22-60 was not ready to be introduced. On motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Vial to **TABLE** the Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-60. 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
  11. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 22-61 - An Ordinance to grant a variance to Section 36-90-Minor Subdivision Standards for Terrance Whitaker/Century Financial Services, Assessment #2968118 in District 8 – Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Bruno to introduce TP Ordinance No. 22-61 and set public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30pm for the purpose of receiving input 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*

12. ADOPTION of T.P. Resolution No. R22-23 - A Resolution of the Tangipahoa Parish Council-President Government in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards – Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R22-23 as follows:  
T.P. RESOLUTION NO. R22-23  
A RESOLUTION OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL-PRESIDENT GOVERNMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL BRIDGE INSPECTION STANDARDS  
WHEREAS, the Code of Federal Regulations as enacted by the United States Congress mandates that all structures defined as bridges located on all public roads shall be inspected, rated for safe load capacity and posted in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and that an inventory of these bridges be maintained by each State; and  
WHEREAS, the responsibility to inspect, rate and load post those bridges under the authority of Tangipahoa Parish in accordance with those standards is delegated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to Tangipahoa Parish.  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tangipahoa Parish Council, governing authority of Tangipahoa Parish (hereinafter referred to as the Parish), State of Louisiana, that the Tangipahoa Parish in Regular Session assembled does hereby certify to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (hereinafter referred to as the LA-DOTD) that for the period of October 2022 through September 2023:
  - 1) The Parish will perform all interim inspections on all Parish owned or maintained bridges in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards.

- 2) All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish will be structurally analyzed and 100% of the bridges rated as to the safe load capacity in accordance with ASSHTO Manual for Maintenance Inspection for Bridges. The load posting information that has been determined by the LA-DOTD for all bridges where the maximum legal load under Louisiana State laws exceeds the load permitted under the operating rating as determined above will be critically reviewed by the Parish. Load posting information will be updated by the Parish to reflect all structural changes, any obsolete structural ratings or any missing structural ratings.
- 3) All Parish owned or maintained bridges which require load posting or closing shall be load posted or closed in accordance with the table in LA-DOTD Engineering Directives and Standards Manual Directive No. 1.1.1.8. All LA-DOTD supplied load posting information concerning a bridge shall be critically reviewed by the Public Works Director prior to load posting.
- 4) All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish are shown on the attached list in the format specified by the LA-DOTD. Corrections to data supplied to the Parish by the LA-DOTD are noted.

These stipulations are pre-requisites to participation by the Parish in the Off-System Bridge Replacement Program.

On motion by Mr. Vial and seconded by Mr. Mayeaux, the foregoing resolution was hereby declared adopted on this the 12th day of September, 2022 by the following roll-call vote:

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

#### BOARD APPOINTMENTS

13. TANGIPAHOA VOLUNTARY COUNCIL ON AGING – Motion made by Mr. Ingraffia, seconded by Mr. Forrest to accept the resignation of Ronald Peevy from the Tangipahoa Voluntary Council on Aging Board & to appoint Susan Husser to fill the unexpired term. 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

#### BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PERMITS

14. Motion made by Mr. Mayeaux, seconded by Mr. Ridgel to approve the foregoing Beer, Wine & Liquor permit application as approved by the TPSO for Energy Express, LLC / Back & 4th Quick Mart, 43234 Pumpkin Center Road, Hammond, LA 70403, Class B Beer (Package Only) / Class A/B Liquor, District 6. 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
15. Motion made by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to approve the foregoing Beer, Wine & Liquor permit application as approved by the TPSO for Petals Inc. / B & J Grocery, 44192 Hwy 445, Robert, LA 70455, Class B Beer (Package Only) / Class A/B Liquor, District 8. 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

#### LEGAL MATTERS

Legal Counsel made it known the Executive Session is in regard to the lawsuit involving the Jail

The Chair made it known Councilmen's Privileges will be asked before Executive Session.

#### COUNCILMEN'S PRIVILEGES

Mr. Joseph thanked the Council and Administration for supporting the initiative for the Veterans and invited everyone to attend Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at Cate Street Park in Hammond the POW/Mission in Action Ceremony with guest speaker Judge Brenda Ricks.

Mr. Vial recognized to the September 4<sup>th</sup> Hammond Tors victory over the Amite Warriors

Mr. Mayeaux asked legal counsel for an update on the Sober Living house in his district. Legal counsel responded they are making progress and he would brief after meeting.

Mrs. Hyde recognized the Ponchatoula Key Club for their efforts on Saturday in cleaning the campus after the ball game Friday night, noting 48 kids attended for the clean up.

Motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Vial to go into Executive Session. 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

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Jail Discussion – Lawsuit  
Motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Vial to end Executive Session. 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

The chair made it known no action was taken

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

S/Jill DeSouge, Council Clerk  
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Brigitte Hyde, Chairwoman  
Tangipahoa Parish Council