

**ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21st, 2023 @ 6:00 P.M.
OLD CITY MARKET, 131 W. BELLEVUE ST.
OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Council of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, convened in a regular session on this 21st, day of June, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

- I. Chairman Jerry Red Jr. called the meeting of the St. Landry Parish Council to order.
- II. Councilman Gil Savoy led the Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation.

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “Before we go any further I will ask that you place your cell phones on silent. I believe we want to amend the agenda at this time. We have some things that we want to add to it.”

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I would like to ask that we amend the agenda to add two items. One item is a motion and one item is a Resolution. On the motion it would be item #13 in reference to Mr. Sam Brown who had a house to catch on fire. It is totally demolished, the address is 589 Wayne Street. We will waive the permit for him to rebuild the home.”

- A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to amend the agenda to add item #13. Authorization to waive the permit fee for Mr. Sam Brown whose home has burnt down at 589 Wayne Street, Opelousas, LA.
On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.
- A motion was made by Councilman Alvin Stelly, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin to amend the agenda to add item #14. To open the nominations for a person to replace someone on the Drainage Board at Ward 3 Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1.
On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.
- A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to amend the agenda to adopt **Resolution No. 021-2023.**
On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

A RESOLUTION TO ASSIGN POST-MERGER POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE PRECINCTS WITHIN ST. LANDRY PARISH.

- III. **ROLL CALL:** Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. Ex Officio Jerry Red Jr. **ABSENT:** None.
- IV. **CONDOLENCES:**

Chairman Jerry Red Jr.: Patrick ‘Pat-Tee’ Thomas, Mark Anthony Scott.

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere: Diane Henry Landry.

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry: Greyson Guidry, Kathleen Anderson, Gabriel Shaw Lucille Lavergne Jason, Michael Crethene, Dianne Henry Landry, Joseph Bobby Vidrine, O’Neal Higginbotham, Deputy Arthur Lee Harris, Debra Lynn Carriere-Miller, Christopher Paul Vallan, Lucille Collins Jones, William Charles Mason Jr., Mario Deshawn Rubin, William Terrell Plumber, Kenny Wayne Frazier Sr., Jerry Peter Comeaux, Mary Helen Harris, Rebia Jackson, Cameron James Dupre, George Miniex Jr., Marvin Lee Freeman, Leroy Fontenot.

Councilman Wayne Ardoin: Hazel Stelly-Riley, Arthur Lee Harris, Lee Garland Halphen, August Fusilier Jr., Shirley Fontenot-Meche, Elsie Dupre Bazar, Natalie G. Hebert, Gabriel Shaw, O’Neal Higginbotham.

Councilman Dexter Brown: Gabriel Shaw, Deputy Arthur Lee Harris, Christopher Paul Vallan.

Councilman Coby Clavier: James Daniel ‘Danny’ Estilette.

**Chairman Jerry Red called for a moment of silence for the families that lost their loved ones.*

V. PERSON TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:

- **Ms. Margie Randall addressed the council.** She stated her concerns are for the stray dog situation that is plaguing the area here in Opelousas. She is from Jefferson Parish and she has been in St. Landry Parish for 16 months. She normally does TNR which is Trap-Neuter and Return. She stated she does not come out and remove animals she Trap-Neuter and Return Animals. She stated If there are any kittens in the community that are born in the area she can assist along with Jefferson Parish with getting them trapped and removed and tamed if they are that age within a 10 week window. She have turned the stray cat situation around with 19 years of experience of Trap-Neuter and Return. She is asking for assistance with a vehicle to assist with transporting stray animals. Her personal vehicle has over 200,000 miles.
- **Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,** “If you don’t mind come and talk to Candance. Give her your information and she will call you tomorrow morning to set up something with Animal Control.”
- **Mr. Harlan Kirgan addressed the council.** He thanked the council for having the Eunice News as the Official Journal for St. Landry Parish. He is asking the council for their support to renew The Eunice News as the Official Journal for the upcoming renewal.”
- **Ms. Angela Angello addressed the council.** She stated, “Thank you for allowing me to speak my Grievance Concerns that I am about to bring forth to you. I have a packet that I would like to present to each of you. I am an Associate Pastor at Opelousas Life Church. Opelousas Life Church purchased the former Indian Hills Country Club in October 2021. We have the Life Community Complex where we host a Youth Camp every year. Last year we hosted a free camp for the kids during the summer. We normally start our camp the first part of June. We finance everything through the Church, when we first started we had a good bit of help but we don’t have that much anymore. We did have people that were volunteering and then they stopped. We had to find some avenue to raise money and generate funds for the kids. We have a restaurant that is in the facility. We decided to get an alcohol permit to sell food and alcohol to help generate funds to fund this camp. We did apply and we received an alcohol permit through St. Landry Parish Government, we applied in March. We did all of the leg work to get the permit and we were granted a permit on Mary 17, 2023. We opened the restaurant under Momma Thomas Creole Café. At our Community Complex we rent out venues to generate money. We rent to people that are having repasses, weddings or social events. This is to generate funds for our Youth Camp. On June 1st, 2023 Pastor Kerney got a text from President Jessie Bellard asking to purchase the facility. Pastor told him that he is willing to set a meeting to discuss it. Mr. Bellard state he will have Karia call you to set up a meeting. He stated that he had some available funding to purchase the facility Pastor stated that he had scheduled a meeting with the Executive Board to discuss it if we wanted to entertain the offer. He asked what would he present to him and he stated \$900,000.00. Pastor stated that he will not

bring that to the board because it is an insult. The next day, June 2, President Jessie Bellard along with some of his officials from Parish Government showed up at the facility and shut us down because we did not have an occupational license. He ordered us to cease and desist all operations. Immediately we went and we got the alcohol permit, you all have a copy in your packet, and we presented it to him. We asked that he re-instate our liquor license and he said no. We did not have a fair share of a hearing, this is the only hearing right now, it has been very public. There have been some news media on some things, some things were true and some things were not. According the procedural, the parish government shall have a periodic examination made of the business of all person.

*I am reading from the procedure on Section 652 of the Parish Ordinances. The Parish Government shall have periodic examinations made of the business of all persons holding permits under this article. If a violation of any provisions of this article is observed the parish government, president or secretary may give the permit-tee a written warrant, however if the permit-tee has been previously warned or if the violation is up to consistency, serious nature the parish government president may instruct any agency or employee of the parish government to prepare and file upon information and believe based upon the facts in hand a partition for the suspension or revocation of the permit set in fort the fact and circumstances of the violation and there upon summon the permit-tee to appear and show cause why the permit should not be suspended or revoked. That never happened. When we got the permit the State of Louisiana told Pastor Kerney that he needed to get a letter from our Parish President saying that he did not have problem with us having a permit because we do have our Church Services in the club house right now. I went to the permit office and I spoke with Maddison. I asked to speak with Mr. Bellard and she said he was not in. I ask Maddison if she would ask Mr. Bellard if he has a problem with us having an alcohol permit and she said that she would. The very next day in my e-mail I got a letter and it read: *This letter serves to inform that St. Landry Parish Government is aware of and has no objections to Opelousas Life Church Restaurant Active Liquor License Fiscal Year 2023. Please feel free to call if you have any questions.* This is a document with a wet signature that we got from our Parish President. We have an active permit, it was not denied. I feel that we did not go under due process for him to revoke our permit. I ask today that he consider reinstating our permit and let us continue to fund our community. We need this community complex. We had over 150 students there and they are not on the streets. I think that we have created a safe haven and I feel like Parish Government should assist us. I don't know what he wants the facility for but if there are some avenues that we can join in together to help our community I ask that he please do so. As of now I ask that he or the council reinstate our alcohol permit so that we can continue to run our business.”*

- **Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated,** “Mr. Bellard, would you like to speak on this matter?”
- **Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,** “No Sir. Talk to the attorney. The attorney told me to do what I did and that is all that I am going to say. That is all I can say.”
- **Councilwoman Mildred Thierry questioned,** “Was the facility or property ever up for sale? Did anyone ever say that they wanted to sell it?”
- **Ms. Angela Angello stated,** “No. I was the agent that actually that did the transaction. I was notified that there were some interest with President Jessie Bellard before we purchased it and there is some interest now. It sat for three years. The grass was taller than me and there was no problem. Apparently no body called and contacted the council to cut the grass. Now we have cut the grass and it was said that we are not keeping up the property and that is not true. We invested in at \$60,000.00 Tractor to keep the grass down and the tractor is broke right now. When the news media caught the tall grass is because our tractor is broken. We are well able and capable to keep this club up. We have not missed a payment. I don't know where anyone got the idea that we want to sell because we do not want to sell but if we can partner with the Parish Government to help do something with the property we are open to that.”

- **Councilman Alvin Stelly questioned**, “Is the church and the bar underneath the same roof?”
- **Ms. Angela Angello stated**, “It is. This is not uncommon. At one point there was a church that was housed in the Delta Grand and there is also a bar in there. Alcohol is sold at the same time so this is not uncommon to St. Landry Parish.”
- **Councilman Easton Shelvin stated**, “I am familiar with what is going on in my district. I have spoken with Pastor Kearney and I have also spoken to Mr. Bellard. The offer that was issue to the church after my acknowledgement of it was the \$900,000.00 by way the state for funding of a recreational facility. I think that is what Pastor Angelo is trying to hit on if there is still some kind of partnership between the two and they can go forward they would. That is my take on it. Pastor Kearney and I have been communicating and Mr. Bellard and I have been communicating. Hopefully in the near future the 3 of us can get together.”
- **Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated**, “Mr. Bellard, were we in line to offer to buy this place?”
- **Parish President Jessie Bellard stated**, “Yes.”
- **Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated**, “So we were trying to buy this place and we never knew about it.”
- **Parish President Jessie Bellard stated**, “Nobody knew about it until the money was available. Now the money is dried up so we don’t have any options now.”
- **Chairman Easton Shelvin stated**, “I don’t think that it was Parish Government Money. It was state money that was offered by the representative.
- **Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated**, “But the council would have to vote on that. My only take on this is; will there ever come a time when they will be allowed to get their liquor license or what is the hold up?”
- **Parish President Jessie Bellard stated**, “I will not discuss that right now. We can discuss it in an executive session so I can advise you all of what I was told by the attorney but I will not do it publically.”
- **Ms. Angela Angello stated**, “Are we ever going to get a hearing on this because it was not the permit that was denied it could have been denied at onset, it was an issued permit, an active permit.”
- **Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated**, “I understand that. Let us go through Executive Session and hear what the president has to say and then we can come back and let you all know exactly where we stand.”
- **Dr. Gary Kirkwood Sr. Addressed the council**. He stated, “Let me acknowledge, Grace, Mercy and Peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I am here today representing the Executive Board of the Opelousas Life Church. As a board member personally I respect the rule of order as well as practices when you are dealing with non-profit issues. I would be remiss if I did not tell you all that we are very disturbed by the most recent press coverage which on the service have the appearance of really tarnishing the image of O. L. C. I believe our pastor is one of God’s Servants, deeply committed to prayer and always seeking the Lord for directions. I believe God gave our Spiritual Leader a vision to collaborate with families and communities by rescuing our disadvantaged youths. Families who are also struggling economically. In addition his vision includes community and economic development indicatives that will restore hope to many in this region what feels disenfranchised and marginalized. I believe the word of God tells us that without a vision the people perish. So therefore God gives vision for rescuing people from a perishing predicament. That is the heartbeat of our pastor, his wife and family and the community of Opelousas Life Church. However in hindsight it should have been a parent when the opportunity was presented to acquire our present location that there would be problems along the way. I say that because initially when it became public knowledge that a black group was

contemplating acquiring the property, leadership from this parish reportedly made contact with the realtor requesting that they stop the purchase, in addition to that, when that failed they proceeded to the lending institution that provided the finance seeking to influence to them to stop the loan, these individuals could be subpoenaed and made to appear under oath and testify. Now that the parish leadership attempt to prevent this transaction from taking place did not work the newer effort to strong arm us into a ridiculous offer to sell as though money holds a far greater value than the soles of men and women. We find it most appalling, disrespectful and it deems our trust in our so called officials. How can America be great again when the leadership has voided integrity, disregards for ethics and so hungry for power and view its own constituents like a common roach and feel as if they can step on them and crush them into submission? It is obviously clear the tactic utilized since the request by your leadership to acquire our property was rejected has been filled with a time line of tools of deception, harassment, public disrespect and regards for his own citizens and the people of God. Just consider how our Pastor was labeled in the press. These tactics also included a re-inspection of our facility that has already been inspected and approved slightly to months prior. The new inspection was designed to fail us. The resending of a clearly legal liquor license with all of full documentation which have already been presented here tonight visit by the tax office officials along with the visit by your parish leadership instructing us to shut down all operations. All of this without probable case, proper hearing simply put the improper use of Government power and government over reach. Let us not forget when the prior owner listed the property the realtor state agency marked the property to the general public and not to an isolated group. Anyone in the public who was interested had the same opportunity to acquire it at that time. Once done it would then be the seller's decision which offer they would accept. In this case the realtor, the seller, the lender and of course the buyer reached a unanimous agreement and closed. Therefore all the improper use of time and energy should cease and desist immediately from further harm and slander and simply accept that you should look elsewhere for land and leave God's people alone. I leave you with three suggestions: There is a deep need for a better bedding process when selecting individuals to occupy seats of power. The parish should consider working with us and helping us to build and profit from our success or simply watch us build and wish you would have helped us. The election is coming up soon, let's do the right thing when approaching the ballot box."

- **Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated,** "Did I hear you say that all operations have been shut down?"
- **Dr. Gary Kirkwood Sr., stated,** "That is what we have been told to do. It has not happen."
- **Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated,** "As of now what is in place? A liquor license revoked and that is it? I understood you to say something about the entire operation had been shut down."
- **Dr. Gary Kirkwood Sr., stated,** "Basically yes. That is what was written and that what was spoken."
- **Mr. Bobby Ardoin addressed the council.** He stated, "About one month ago the council voted unanimously to award \$5,000.00 in American Rescue Act Money to help with the Restoration of the Michel Prudhomme Home in Opelousas on Prudhomme Circle. We thanked you all for it back then and we are thanking you for it now. Tomorrow night from 5-7 the Opelousas St. Landry Chamber of Commerce is holding a business after hours at the Prudhomme Home. They have asked me to ask you to join the celebration of the house and the Chamber of Commerce. The entire council is invited to attend. It is election year and you all may have cards to pass out so please come on by."
- **Pastor Kearney Thomas addressed the council.** He stated, "I was asked a question earlier today. The question was, do we need a liquor license? Do we have to have a liquor license? My response to both of those individuals were no, we don't need one, we have been successful all of this time without it. Why have a liquor license, it was granted to us and we had the opportunity to receive it. The church actually sits in the

ball room and not in the church facility. We don't have a church facility we are occupying the ball room that was once for balls and parties. That is where we temporary have our sanctuary. We do plan on building a building there but at this point we do not have church facilities there. It is just a make shift room that we use to have our worship services on Sunday morning. When we had applied and went through all of the necessary process to obtain the license and they would have told us at that time that we could not I would have been happy, I would have been satisfied and we would have went on. For us to go through all of this and get the final approval from the state stating that we have to have special permission from the Parish Government in order for us to obtain it. It was so graciously given to us by our parish president. I am appreciate that he did grant that. The problem that I have today is when you asked to purchase our property and it was not for sale all hell broke loose, these are documentation in text messages, I think that it is unfair and unjust. If he would have revoked the liquor license the day before he asked us to purchase the property I would understand that but the same day that we tell him no to selling our property he shows up at 3:30 p.m. on a Friday afternoon telling us that we have to shut down all operations. When he said all operations that means the church, the cafe, the youth program that led over 100 children that is in attendance every day and we are paying for them to be there. For him just to show up the day that we said no, I have a problem with that. I think that you all should have a problem with that as well. This is 2023, if this was 1823 I could understand. Then you slander my name and a so called preacher because we have a liquor license that was granted by him. He gave the final approval for us to get the liquor license. The letter came with his signature, it was not a stamp, it was his actual signature on the letter stating that we grant you permission to have a liquor license and then he revokes it because I said no our property is not for sale and then he wants to shut us down. I have a problem with that. I don't think this leadership should stand here in Opelousas, St. Landry Parish and Louisiana or nowhere in America."

- **Councilman Wayne Ardoin questioned**, "You are saying that you had a free liquor license?"
- **Pastor Kearney Thomas stated**, "No we paid for it. We went through the whole process to receive a liquor license and we did received a liquor license."
- **Councilman Wayne Ardoin questioned**, "At the old Indian Hills Country Club, do you all have tennis courts that are open?"
- **Pastor Kearney Thomas stated**, "Yes sir, we have tennis courts, basketball courts and a swimming pool. It is a great facility for the youth. Every day we have had at least 100 children on that property. We open at 7:00 a.m. so the parents can drop their children off and we keep them until 4:00 p.m. It is a free day care center for some of the parents that cannot afford a day care center and it was open on Juneteenth. We feed the children breakfast, lunch and give them activities. We have not been able to get grants because we have not been established long enough to acquire the grants that we would like to get. The Parish have Zydeco Festivals and have parties and they sell liquor, some of the major churches in our city have festivals and they have parties and they sell liquor, we have been picked out. As far as my knowledge we are the only church in the city or in the parish that is charged property taxes, our church is required to pay property taxes, we should be taxed exempt like everyone else."
- **Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated**, "Thank you for what you are doing in the parish. I went over there today and you all are doing a tremendous job."

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to approve **the Regular Meeting Minutes from May 17th, 2023** as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin to approve **the Special Meeting Minutes from May 31st, 2023** as transcribed. **On roll call vote: YEAS:** Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

VII. PARISH PRESIDENT REPORT:

- Update on Eddie Martin property on Graham Street, Opelousas, LA.

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I don’t know why this item regarding an update on Eddie Martin Property is on my Parish President’s Report. I did not put it there. The only item that I had you all have added it to the agenda.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., questioned, “The blighted property on the corner lot of Jim Guillory Road. They have a lot of rodents and small animals that have infested the area.”

Ms. Cynthia Fontenot stated, “It is already scheduled to be worked on.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “The one that we talked about at the Committee Meeting. The one on Grolee.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “They have started cleaning it up. They have trimmed down some trees.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “I spoke to Ms. Cynthia regarding the Eddie Martin Property. Mr. Martin have been making some progress. In thirty days he should be complete.”

Councilman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “You sent a letter out on Royal Gardens in reference to a letter date June 15, 2023 in reference to upgrading the Sewer System in the Old Royal Garden Sections. If you remember correctly and I am the council member in District 9, I asked Mr. William Jarrell when he came to this council and ask for us to help him to put the pumping station in Linwood East, I asked if it would possibly help Royal Gardens and he said no, not at this time, it would be a different situation. I am going to ask at this time that when you send a letter out and put it as parish government that you involve this parish council. We are trying to help these people, not just me but this whole parish council. I think we are involved with the finance here.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I am going to involve the council members when it is needed, I will, it is not a problem.”

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I have been representing that area there and I feel sorry for those people that have the old system. They have changed hands three times since I have been in office. They are still paying dearly and sometimes that sewer system is not functioning. I have feeling for those people. I am just asking that next time that you send a letter out, involve us all in that. We are all in this boat together to try and help the people in St. Landry Parish.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere questioned, “It was mentioned earlier about one of the detectives being investigated, is that a fact?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I answered the question at the committee meeting. What I answered is the exact answer that needed to be answered. The question that he asked was Parish Government investigated? No we are not. That employee is still working and not going to be investigated by Parish Government. The question that was asked, I answered it. It was answered correctly.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “In the completion of a state investigation or whoever is being investigated, if the outcome is negative, are you planning on handling it like you handle every other situation? You said if an employee commits a crime you would terminate them. I want to know if everyone will be treated the same way.

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Every situation is handled on its own merits.”

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Alvin Stelly to accept the Parish President's Report.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

***Items passed through committee.**

1. **Update on adding insurance to the Lease and Operating Agreement with Aerotech and require all future leases with Parish Government to include an insurance plan.**

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, "It was in the Public Works Committee Mr. Bellard stated from now on everyone will have to have insurance if they rent a hanger from us on the Airport Grounds. We have come to that conclusion."

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "That was my understanding. I will add it into the leases. When it comes before the council it will be in there."

Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated, "I was told by Jennie Ledoux that Aerotech will pull their contract. They are not interested anymore."

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, "Aerotech will pull their contract. We are making a motion to authorize everyone to have insurance that wants to lease property from the airport."

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Easton Shelvin to authorize everyone that leases property from the airport they must have insurance.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

2. **Authorize the approval of documentations to grant funding to the Opelousas Police Department from the Racino Allocations.**

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, "I would like to make a motion to appropriate from the General Fund in the amount of \$100,000.00 to the City of Opelousas Police Department for the purpose of requiring new police cars for the Fiscal Year of 2023."

Councilman Easton Shelvin stated, "Are you saying for 2023 year only or yearly?"

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere, "Are you just saying vehicles. Are you saying anything that they would need to use it for?"

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, "New Police Cars."

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, "Mr. Taylor, can you repeat your motion?"

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, "The motion is to appropriate from the General Fund in the amount of \$100,000.00 to the city of Opelousas Police Department for the purpose to require new Police cars for the Fiscal Year of 2023."

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., questioned, "Mr. Bellard, where is the money set to come out of in the budget?"

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "Out of General Fund. The Racino Fund puts money in the General Fund for that allocation. At the committee meeting we had discussed the funding would be for equipment purposes, not necessarily a specific vehicle because of the insurance purposes."

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, "We are just transferring over \$100,000.00 to O.P.D. They will use it as they feel fit. Am I correct?"

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Basically, yes for equipment.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “I will change my motion.”

Opelousas Police Chief Graig LeBlanc addressed the council. He stated, “I understand you had a question and maybe it was maybe about the vehicles.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., started, “I want to make sure that the \$100,000.00 is going to you all and you all do what you all need to do with the funds. He made a motion and now he wants to change the motion.

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “I want to accommodate everyone Mr. Chairman. That is what I am trying to get the Chief to tell me exactly he would like in the motion.”

Opelousas Police Chief Graig LeBlanc stated, “Just grant the \$100,000.00 and we will use it as we see fit. We don’t want to fight the city government because the Mayor is refusing to purchase insurance on the vehicle if the money comes from the parish government. I don’t see the problem but I am not the Mayor. If you allocate the \$100,000.00 to the city of Opelousas Police Department we have multiple avenues that we can use the money.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I just want to make sure that it is clear. It is allocated to the City Police Department. Chief, I know that we have discussed this in the past, if you all wanted to buy something we would pay for it or do you want me to give the check to the city.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “Give them the money.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “The \$100,000.00 is going to them. They will make the decision whatever they will do with it.”

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Chief Leblanc, your first request was to pay the lease on your vehicle, is that correct? Wasn’t that your first request that you came here and spoke about? Now you have changed it. I am for you getting the money. I know you have a problem and the city want to say we want to dish out the money. I don’t want to get into a contest with the councilmembers there.”

Opelousas Police Chief Graig LeBlanc stated, “We have vehicles that are already leased. I solely believe that the responsibility to provide vehicles for the Opelousas Police Department should lie with the City of Opelousas and not the Parish of St. Landry. The mayor said if you all give us the money to lease the vehicle how were we going to put the insurance on it because he was not going to insure by them. I don’t have a problem with that. We have other equipment that we can buy, we can use the money toward technology and multiple avenues that we can use the money and it would free up another \$100,000.00 somewhere else. That would allow us to continue our progress within the City of Opelousas and making our community safer which benefits not only the City of Opelousas but the parish. The \$100,000.00 is a very big step forward for the Opelousas Police Department no matter how it come.”

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, “That is why Mr. Taylor asked to put it in a motion that way and not it is a different motion. I will go a little step further. I was here when we changed all of that and did the thing about the money and where it will go and it was dedicated to the police department. You had to shut down your jail and we had to take your prisoners. Now you have six prisoners in the parish and your jail is closed down. You are not taking any prisoners from the marshal or anyone.”

Opelousas Police Chief Graig LeBlanc stated, “The Opelousas Police Department is no longer assuming the responsibility of the jail. That was something that was done when Chief Caillier was the Police Chief. Times were different, the responsibility for City Prisoners goes to the Opelousas City Marshal’s Office. Once the person is incarcerated into the parish jail, if that person needs to be transported to court the Opelousas City Marshal has to come and get him and transfer him to city court. That is no longer our responsibility.”

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I can understand that but that jail was there when Howard Zeringue was chief and Earl Guidroz was Chief. I don’t see where the City Marshal has

anything to do with the jail, it is your jail it is housed in your building at the police department. The marshal is housed across. I am for you to receive your \$100,000.00 that you were suppose to be continued getting until you had to close down your jail. I am a councilmember here I am asking our attorney that he looks into seeing how we can change this where we can get more money room the Racino, they are making more money now. We need to go back to the drawing board. That is something that we will have to look at later. I am in favor of you getting your \$100,000.00 but we want to know about the wording. We sat down this morning and got this motion together. Your first time you came here you said it was for vehicles.”

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated, “Will they be required to prove how this \$100,000.00 will be spent?” Will the council require that of them or not? We need to get this cleared now.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “I don’t see any reason why.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “It is not in the motion.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “The motion is to appropriate from the General Fund an amount of \$100,000.00 to the City of Opelousas Police Department for the purpose of acquiring new police cars or other equipment in Fiscal Year 2023.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “That is the Sub-Motion, can you read the main motion again.”

Councilman Dexter Brown stated, “The main motion was to authorize the approval of documentation to grand funding to the Opelousas Police Department from the Racino Allocations.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “Do you want to keep that motion or do you want to keep it?”

Councilman Dexter Brown stated, “If Chief is good with the Sub-Motion, I will pull the Main-Motion.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “Roll Call on the main motion.”

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin to appropriate from the General Fund an amount of \$100,000.00 to the City of Opelousas Police Department for the purpose of acquiring new police cars or other equipment in Fiscal Year 2023.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

3. Vote to re-appoint Robert Wolfe and appoint Quincy Richard for two appointments for a six-year term to Hospital District No. 2. (Opelousas General). (07-19-2023 – 07-19-2029).

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Mr. Chairman, if I am in order, I will ask that this item be placed at the end of the agenda in case we have to go into an executive session. Not to ask the people in this audience to leave this room and have to come back later because of the weather that we are having out there. We can deal with this item here at the end of the meeting where we can go into executive session. The people that choose to not come back in they can leave.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “I second the motion.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “Before we vote on this let me make myself clear. Any time anybody want to do a research or search something make sure that I get the copy before you do your little due diligence. We have second hand things going on over here but let’s do things right.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “Mr. Chairman, the final result of the research was arrived this morning.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “You did a research, you called the Ethics Board, we know that. But you did this today. We can hold this up until the end of the meeting.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “All right.”

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Harold Taylor to move the two appointments for the Hospital District No. 2 to end of agenda in case the council have to go into Executive Session.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

Mr. Quincy Richard asked to address the council.

Chairman Jerry Red stated, “We already had persons to address the council. You can’t speak right now. We will let you speak when it come up to this at the end of the meeting.”

4. Vote to appoint an Official Journal for St. Landry Parish Government. (The Eunice News or The Daily World).

A motion was made by Councilman Coby Clavier, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to appoint The Eunice News as the Official Journal for St. Landry Parish Government.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

The votes were as follows:

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| <i>Councilwoman Nancy Carriere</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Easton Shelvin</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilwoman Mildred Thierry</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Harold Taylor</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Gil Savoy</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Alvin Stelly</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilwoman Vivian Olivier</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Wayne Ardoin</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Dexter Brown</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Timmy Lejeune</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Jimmie Edwards</i> | The Eunice News |
| <i>Councilman Coby Clavier</i> | The Eunice News |

5. Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for three appointments for a four-year term to Lawtell Water District No. 1. (08-12-2019 – 08-12-2023).

A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for three appointments for a four-year term to Lawtell Water District No. 1. (08-12-2019 – 08-12-2023).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

6. Authorize the Parish President Jessie Bellard to present the council with a copy of all Commissioned Security for the St. Landry Parish Government.

A copy of the Commissioned Security for St. Landry Parish Government was provided to the Council by Parish President Jessie Bellard.

7. Vote to re-appoint Michael Bourgeois, Andrew White, Ted Marcantel, Nolan Joubert and Ira Stanford for five appointments to Bayou Plaquemine Gravity Drainage District No. 12 for a four-year term. (07-15-2023 – 07-15-2027).

A motion was made by Councilman Dexter Brown, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to re-appoint Michael Bourgeois, Andrew White, Ted Marcantel, Nolan Joubert and Ira Stanford for five appointment to Bayou Plaquemine Gravity Drainage District No. 12 for a four-year term. (07-15-2023 – 07-15-2027).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

8. Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for two appointments for a four-year term to Faquetaique Gravity Drainage District No. 1. (08-19-2023 – 08-19-2027).

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Coby Clavier to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for two appointments for a four-year term to Faquetaique Gravity Drainage District No. 1. (08-19-2023 – 08-19-2027).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

9. Discuss making changes to the Speed Bump Ordinance.

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I will offer a motion that we bring it back to Committee. In the meantime Mr. Duplechain can look and give us some options on how we can change it.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “We have about five of them. The council can decide whether it is 75% approval, they are mailed out, they are delivered. There are different options that the council can discuss at the committee meeting.”

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Coby Clavier to forward the discussion of changes to the Speed Bump Ordinance to the next Committee Meeting held on **Wednesday, July 5th, 2023.**

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

10. Authorize placing High Water Signs on Roads that are prone to flooding in the parish.

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “The signs have been ordered.”

11. Authorize having a representative from the Solar Company come before the council.

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “A representative from Light Source is here to address the council.”

Mr. Gary Bower of Light Source BP addressed the council. He stated, “My name is Gary Bower. I am the Senior Project Manager for Light Source BP over the Solar Project that is being developed and currently constructed in St. Landry Parish. We just want to come here this evening to give you all an update on the project. We are available for any questions or concerns that you may have. I will give you a brief update on where we are currently at. It is roughly around 1000 acres sight off of HWY 167. It is 180 Mega Watts DC which is a pretty big Solar Sight. It is one of the biggest ones in Louisiana. It consist of 384 Thousand Solar Panels, the kind that you see on the roof, but they will be installed on piles and a tracking system that tracks the sun eventually. At this stage we started the clearing work of installing access roads and we are going to start installing the piles which is what the foundation of the sight and the modules will be installed on. I just wanted to give everyone an update. We realize that this type of construction which is over 1000 acers can have potential impact of dust and dirt on the roads with the neighbors. We have focused on that from the beginning of the project and a big emphasis with the contractor to have continuous water trucks on sight when we are not having a bunch of rain to make sure that we are keeping the dust down and knocking the mud down off the trucks and tires before they enter the public roads. If you have any concerns please reach out to me. We have two representatives on sight continuously as work progresses. We look forward to being a part of the community in building this thing.”

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated, “It just so happen that I have a lot of concern in my area. I have one land owner contact me last week and he was highly upset. I told him that I had nothing to do with it. He said that he was not informed that this was happening and his property since then on each side. He does not live there he lives in Morgan City but he had no knowledge that this was happening. Secondly I have a major concern about the road. They said that they have to wait to get their road fixed and they have all of this big heavy equipment coming on the roads. I told that that there is an agreement that if anything is destroyed they will repair it. Another concerns was the trees. The trees being cut and the tree stumps being left, it is not a pretty sight. Another concern is the quality of air. Is there any way that this will going to interfere with the quality of air in the area. I wish I would have known that you would have been here tonight. I would have told them to listen in to what you have to say. Please don’t leave without giving me your contact number. I want a number where a live person will answer me and talk to me.” I can help answer pretty much all of those questions. I will huddle up with the group to make sure that we are giving you complete answers. We should be able to address all of those. The tree stumps have been taken care of on Dupre Road.”

Councilman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Have you all gotten with Mr. Moore. He was on our agenda. Has it been taken care of?”

Mr. Gary Bower, Light Source BP stated, “It is currently being discussed. His attorney is involved and we have reached out.”

Chairman Jerry Red Jr., stated, “I am understanding that it is in limbo.”

Mr. Gary Bower, Light Source BP stated, “The third party, we are not really directly involved at this point but we are overseeing to make sure. I had a discussion this morning about it. The information that I got was back with Mr. Moore and really Mr. Moore’s Attorney to respond at this point.”

12. Discuss enforcing restrictions in an Ordinance for Shawnee Farms Subdivision.

Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated, “I would like to table this item and bring it back to the next Committee Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin to forward the discussion to enforce restrictions in an ordinance for Shawnee Farms Subdivision to the next Committee Meeting held on **Wednesday, July 5th, 2023.**

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

13. Permit Exemption for Mr. Sam Brown

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to authorize a Permit Exemption for Mr. Sam Brown whose home has burned down at 589 Wayne Street, Opelousas, LA.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

14. Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment to Ward 3 Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1. For the remainder of a four year term. (12-20-2020 – 12-21-2024).

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Alvin Stelly to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment for the remainder of a four year term to Ward 3 Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1. (12-20-2020 – 12-21-2024).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Mildred Thierry. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

15. Adopt Resolution No. 021-2023.

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to adopt **Resolution No. 021-2023.**

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Mildred Thierry. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

A RESOLUTION TO ASSIGN POST-MERGER POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE PRECINCTS WITHIN ST. LANDRY PARISH.

WHEREAS, The Census 2020 count has been completed and the PL94-171 reapportionment data was delivered to the State of Louisiana on the 12th of August 2021, and:

WHEREAS, The St. Landry Parish Council conducted a study which found the current districts were malapportioned and thereby required redistricting which resulted in the adoption of Plan A, and:

WHEREAS, The St. Landry Parish Council's Plan A and associated precincts were submitted to the Louisiana Secretary of State, and:

WHEREAS, The window has opened to allow for precincts to be adjusted for voter convenience and for qualifying precinct mergers to be enacted, and:

WHEREAS, The St. Landry Parish Council has adopted an ordinance to adjust and merge certain precincts, and:

WHEREAS, It is now necessary to assign polling locations for the precincts in St. Landry Parish.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the St. Landry Parish Council, in Regular Session assembled, does hereby assign the following polling locations to all precincts within St. Landry Parish as hereby listed to-with in the attached Exhibit A.

**EXHIBIT A
POST-MERGER POLLING LOCATION ASSIGNMENTS FOR
ALL PRECINCTS WITHIN ST. LANDRY PARISH**

WD PCT POLLING LOCATION

00 01 North Central High School,6579 Hwy 10, Lebeau
00 01 A Fire District No. 3 Substation, 18021 Hwy I 82, Bunkie
00 018 Morrow Community Center, 189 Hwy 107, Morrow
00 01 C District 7 Fire Station , 3449 Hwy 361 , Morrow
00 01D Washington Elementary School, 1530 Hwy 10, Washington
00 02 North Central High School, 6579 Hwy 10, Lebeau
00 02A Melville Library,722 Ollie St., Melville
00 028 Palmetto Fire Hall, 224 E. Railroad Ave., Palmetto
00 02C Palmetto Fire Hall, 2248. Railroad Ave, Palmetto
00 03 Melville Library,722 Ollie St., Melville
00 04 Grand Prairie Elementary School Gym,669 Hwy 363, Washington
00 04A Washington Elementary 1530 Hwy 10, Washington
00 04E1 Washington Elementary 1530 Hwy 10, Washington
00 05 Palmetto Fire Hall, 2248. Railroad Ave., Palmetto
00 06 Washington Town Hall,405 N. Washington St., Washington
00 07 Krotz Springs Community Center, 216Park St., Krotz Springs
00 07A Port Barre Elementary 199 O.G. Track Rd., Port Barre
00 08 Northwest High School, 3746 Hwy 104, Opelousas
00 09 Plaisance Elementary School, 3264 Hwy 167, Opelousas
00 09A Washington Elementary 1530 Hwy 10, Washington
00 10 Northwest High School, 3746 Hwy 104, Opelousas
00 10A Grolee Elementary School, 1540 W. Grolee St., Opelousas
00 11 St. Landry Public Service Center, 1065 Hwy 749, Opelousas
00 11B St. Landry Public Service Center, 1065 Hwy 749, Opelousas
00 12 SLATS School, 152 Violet Dr., Opelousas
00 13 Washington Elementary 1530 Hwy 10, Washington

00 13A Port Barre High School, 846 Saizan Ave., Port Barre
 00 14 Port Barre High School, 846 Saizan Ave., Port Barre
 00 14A Ft. Hamilton/Coteau Sub Station, 7706 Hwy 31, Opelousas
 00 14B Ft. Hamilton/Coteau Sub Station, 7706 Hwy 31, Opelousas
 00 15 Port Barre High School, 846 Saizan Ave., Port Barre
 00 16 Port Barre Elementary 199 O.G. Track Rd., Port Barre
 00 16,4' Krotz Springs Community Center, 216 Park St., Krotz Springs
 00 17 Krotz Springs Community Center, 216 Park St., Krotz Springs
 00 18 Lawtell Elementary School, 1010 School Rd., Opelousas
 00 18A Lawtell Elementary School, 1010 School Rd., Opelousas
 00 18B Lawtell Elementary School, 1010 School Rd., Opelousas
 00 19 Grolee Elementary School, 1540 W. Grolee St., Opelousas
 00 19A Ford & Joseph Funeral Home, 907 N. Market St., Opelousas
 00 20 Louis Butler St. Community Center, 1648 N. Market St., Opelousas
 00 208 Louis Butler Sr. Community Center, 1648 N. Market St., Opelousas
 00 21 Opelousas Civic Center, 1638 Creswell Ln., Opelousas
 00 21A Opelousas Fire Substation #3, 109 S. Union St., Opelousas
 00 22 Grolee Elementary School, 1540 W. Grolee St., Opelousas
 00 228 Community Chapel Church, 1606 W. College Ave, Opelousas
 00 23 MACA, I100 Leo St., Opelousas
 00 23A Williams Insurance Company, 323 S. Academy St., Opelousas
 00 24 Yambilee Building, 1939 W. Landry St., Opelousas
 00 248 Christ the King Cafeteria, 369 Christ the King Rd., Opelousas
 00 25 Yambilee Building, 1939 W. Landry St., Opelousas
 00 26 Opelousas Jr. High School, 730 S. Market St., Opelousas
 00 26A Opelousas Jr. High School, 730 S. Market St., Opelousas
 00 27 Park Vista Elementary 1000 Abdalla Blvd., Opelousas
 00 28 Opelousas High School, 1014 Judson Walsh Dr., Opelousas
 0029 IFBS Lodge, 6240Hwy 31, Opelousas
 00 29A IFBS Lodge, 6240 Hwy 31, Opelousas
 00 30 Leonville Elementary 3774 Hwy 31, Leonville
 00 30A American Legion Hall, 2711 Hwy 347, Leonville
 00 30B Leonville Elementary 3774 Hwy 31, Leonville
 00 31 Leonville Elementary 3774 Hwy 37, Leonville
 00 32 St. Ann Parish Hall, 473 Bourque Rd., Lewisburg
 00 32A St. Ann Parish Hall, 473 Bourque Rd., Lewisburg
 00 33 Christ the King Cafeteria, 369 Christ the King Rd., Opelousas
 00 33A Christ the King Cafeteria, 369 Christ the King Rd., Opelousas
 00 34 Sunset Community Center, 108 Leo Richard Ln., Sunset
 00 34A Opelousas High School, 1014 Judson Walsh Dr., Opelousas
 00 35 Sunset Community Center, 108 Leo Richard Ln., Sunset
 00 36 Grand Coteau Town Hall, 231 Burleigh Ln., Grand Coteau
 00 37 Sunset Community Center, 108 Leo Richard Ln., Sunset
 00 37A Fire District #5, 7209 Hwy 93, Arnaudville
 00 38 Fire District #5, 7209 Hwy 93, Arnaudville
 00 39 Arnaudville Elementary School, 120 W. Railroad Ave., Arnaudville
 00 39A Krotz Springs Community Center, 216Park St., Krotz Springs
 00 40 Arnaudville Town Hall, 107 Rue De Jausiers St., Arnaudville
 00 41 Cankton Village Hall, 107 Dandurand St., Cankton
 00 41A Cankton Village Hall, 107 Dandurand St., Cankton
 00 42 Cankton Village Hall, 107 Dandurand St., Cankton
 00 43 Cankton Vllage Hall, 107 Dandurand St., Cankton
 00 44 Fire District No. 6 Substation, 1398 Guillory Rd., Eunice
 00 44A Fire District No. 6 Substation, 1398 Guillory Rd., Eunice
 00 448 Fire District No. 6 Substation, 1398 Guillory Rd., Eunice
 00 45 Glendale Elementary School, 900 W. Dean St., Eunice
 00 46 Northwest Community Center, 140 Samuel Dr., Eunice
 00 47 Eunice Vocational Center, 421 S. Tenth St., Eunice
 00 48 East Elementary 501 Brother J Rd., Eunice
 00 49 Highland Elementary School, 1341 Duck Ave., Eunice
 00 50 Eunice City Hall, 300 S. Second St., Eunice
 00 50A Eunice City Hall, 300 S. Second St., Eunice
 00 51 Southeast Community Center, 101 City Ave., Eunice
 00 51A Eunice City Hall, 300 S. Second St., Eunice

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IX. ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-013

Sponsored by: Councilman Coby Clavier

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH ORDINANCE CHAPTER 36, ARTICLE IX, THREE-WAY INTERSECTIONS, SECTION 36-200 so that the intersection of N. 8th Street and Murphy Richard Loop will be included on the list of roads in St. Landry Parish that are designated as three-way intersections.

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-014

Pulled Until July Regular Meeting July 19th, 2023.

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE ST. LANDRY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION IN CHAPTER 32, PLANNING, ZONING, AND DEVELOPMENT, ARTICLES I, ST. LANDRY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION, SECTION 32 – 1, SECTION 32 – 2, SECTION 32 – 3, SECTION 32 – 4, SECTION 32 – 5, AND SECTION 32 – 6, TO BE PLACED IN CHAPTER 32 OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES.

X. ORDINANCES TO BE ADOPTED:

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “I have a question even though this is in Councilman Alvin Stelly district. Someone called me and wanted me to ask if Oscar Rivette Road can be removed from the list of No Truck or 18-Wheeler thru Traffic. The sewage plant company will be receiving equipment and 18-Wheeler trucks would have to go there. They were concerned on how they would receive their supplies.”

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Nancy Carriere To Amend **Ordinance No. 2023-008** remove Oscar Rivette Road off the list and add **Iseringhausen Road.**

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-008

(Sponsored by: Councilwoman Vivian Olivier)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH ORDINANCE CHAPTER 44, SECTION 44-14 so that Iseringhausen Road in Sunset, La can be included on the list of roads in St. Landry Parish that are designated as “No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic” routes.

WHEREAS, St. Landry Parish Ordinance Chapter 44, Section 44-14 lists the roads in St. Landry Parish that are designated as “No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic“ routes.

WHEREAS, this Ordinance amends St. Landry Parish Ordinance Chapter 44, Section 44-14 so that Iseringhausen Road in Opelousas can be included on the list of roads that are designated as “No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic” routes.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that Chapter 44, Section 44-14 is hereby amended as follows:

The following roads are hereby restricted and designated as “No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic” routes:

- Andrepoint Road (Parish Road 6-10); (1)
- Beck Miller Road (Parish Road 6-340); (2)
- Beck Miller Road (Parish Road 6-340-1); (3)

Begnaud Road (4)
 Belmont Drive; (5)
 Country Ridge; (6)
 Darjean Road; (7)
 Dresser Loop; (8)
 Federal Road (Council District No. 1); (9)
 Fisher Road (Parish Road 4-110); (10)
 Fort Hamilton Drive (Parish Road 1-319); (11)
 Frank Road (12)
 Frilot Cove Road; (13)
 Gordon Street (Parish Road 6-45); (14)
 Government Road (Council District No. 3); (15)
 Greg Drive; (16)
 Harmon Lane in Opelousas (17)
 Hidalgo Road (Council District No. 3); (18)
 Highway 1244; (19)
 Iseringhausen Road; (20)
 Jacob Road (Parish Road 6-345); (21)
 Jeff Thibodeaux (Parish Road 6-345); (22)
 Judson Walsh; (23)
 Lawyer Road; (24)
 Littell Street (Parish Road 6-40); (25)
 McClelland Road (Parish Road 6-35); (26)
 National Road (Council District No. 3); (27)
 North 6th Street between Hwy. 190 and Hwy. 104; (28)
 Oscar Rivette Road; (29)
 Perry Drive (Parish Road 6-40-1); (30)
 Plantation Road; (31)
 Rainbow Drive; (32)
 Rolling Oaks Drive (Parish Road 1-397); (33)
 Sir Thomas Henry Drive; (34)
 Smith Lane (Parish Road 5-30); (35)
 Soileau Road (Parish Road 6-275); (36)
 Soileau Road from Hwy. 13 to Hwy. 757; (37)
 Thibodeaux Street (Parish Road 6-35-2); (38)
 West Loop and Hwy. 190 West intersection. (39)

- A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin To Amend the General Fund Expenses by decreasing expenses by 10% from \$7,239,435.00 to \$6,515,491.00
On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Wayne Ardoin, and Coby Clavier. **Ex-Officio** Jerry Red Jr. **NAYS:** Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards. **ABSENT:** None.
ABSTAINED: None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

Motion to Adopt the Budget as Amended:

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin to pass the budget as amended.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Wayne Ardoin, and Coby Clavier. **Ex-Officio** Jerry Red Jr. **NAYS:** Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards. **ABSENT:** None.
ABSTAINED: None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

Councilman Wayne Ardoin stated, “At this time I will ask if Mr. Jimmie Edwards is comfortable voting on anything to do with the budget in St. Landry Parish. You are receiving money from an entity that we fund.

Councilman Jimmie Edwards stated, “Yes, I am comfortable. We have to pass the budget.”

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-010
(Sponsored by: Councilman Dexter Brown)

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2023 OPERATING BUDGET

WHEREAS, the 2023 St. Landry Parish Operating Budget, herein attached, **Except for the expenses in the General Fund which is hereby amended to decrease expenses by 10% from \$7,239,435.00 to \$6,515,491.00**, is hereby adopted to reflect the detailed estimated of revenues and expenses for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2023, being the same is hereby adopted to serve as the operating Budget of Revenues and Expenses for the Parish of St. Landry during the said period.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT:

Section 1. The attached, detailed estimates of revenues for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2023 is hereby adopted to serve as the operating Budget of Revenues for the parish of St. Landry during the said period.

Section 2. The attached estimates of expenditures by department for fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2023, is hereby adopted, **Except for those expenses in the General Fund which is hereby amended to decrease total expenses in the General Fund by 10% from \$7,239,435.00 to \$6,515,491.00** to serve as an operating Budget of Expenditures for the Parish of St. Landry during the said period.

Section 3. The adoption of the Operating Budget of Expenditures being the same is hereby declared to operate as an appropriation of the amount therein set forth within the terms of the budget classification.

Section 4. Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included within the 2023 Budget.

Section 5. All power to alter this Budget is reserved by the St. Landry Parish Council.

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “The budget that was presented to the council is the one that I stand behind.

• **ORDINANCE PULLED FROM AGENDA IN PUBLIC HEARING UNTIL BUDGET IS PASSED.**

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-011
(Sponsored by: Councilman Wayne Ardoin)

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE SALARIES OF THE CLERK FOR THE ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL AND THE ASSISTANT CLERK FOR THE ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, St. Landry Parish Home Rule Charter Section 2-09 C. states that the council shall fix the salaries of its employees.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that the amount of NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS shall be annually appropriated each year to pay the salaries of the Clerk for the St. Landry Parish Council and the Assistant Clerk for the St. Landry Parish Council, beginning with the year 2023.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that the Council shall decide by majority vote how the annual appropriation of NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS shall be apportioned between the Clerk for the St. Landry Parish Council and the Assistant Clerk for the St. Landry Parish Council.

- A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin To Adopt **Ordinance No. 2023-012.**
On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Wayne Ardoin, and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** Easton Shelvin, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, and Jimmie Edwards **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

ORDINANCE NO. 2023- 012
(Sponsored by: Councilman Wayne Ardoin)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE INVESTIGATION OF THE TERMINATION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH EMPLOYEES FROM AUGUST 24, 2020 TO THE PRESENT

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Home Rule Charter (“Charter”) provides the following with regard to the powers and duties of the Parish President in Section 3-10:

- (1) Insure that all laws, provisions of this Charter, and acts of the council, subject to enforcement by the president or by officers subject to the president’s direction and supervision, are faithfully executed.
- (4) Make any other reports as the council may reasonably request to enable the council to function.
- (6) Attend council meetings personally or through a designee and furnish any information regarding parish government requested by any member of the council.
- (7) Perform any other duties that are specified in this Charter or may be required by the council, not inconsistent with this Charter, the constitution, or state law.
- (11) Appoint, suspend, or remove all parish government employees and appointive administrative officers in accordance with parish personnel policies and applicable law except as otherwise provided by this Charter.

WHEREAS, the Charter in Section 4-08 provides the following with regard to Personnel Policies and Procedures:

A. The president shall prepare a manual, within six months after assuming office, that sets out the policies, procedures, rules, and regulations regarding the classification and pay plans of parish government employees. The manual shall conform to the parish government’s policy and objective to employ those persons best qualified to perform the functions of the parish government, to foster career service, and insure that all appointments and promotions made in the parish government and its various departments shall be made on the basis of merit and fitness. The manual shall be submitted to the council which may approve it by adopting an ordinance to that effect, and all changes to the manual thereafter be by ordinance.

B. The personnel policies, rules, and position descriptions in effect in parish government when this Charter becomes effective shall continue in effect, except as is provided above, until replaced by an ordinance of the council, and if they conflict with the Charter, the Charter shall prevail.

WHEREAS, the President has declined to respond to inquiries by the St. Landry Parish Council (“Council”), or its various members, regarding his removal of Parish employees in conformance with the Parish policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, the President has declined to produce a copy of the policies and procedures manual that was relied upon by the President in termination or removal of Parish employees: and

WHEREAS, the Charter in Section 2-07 provides the following authority to the Council to conduct investigations:

The council may order investigations into the affairs of the parish government and related conduct of any parish government official, officer, employee, department, office, or agency. Investigations shall be for specified purposes which must be reduced to writing before beginning the investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Charter in Section 2-12(E) limits the President’s veto authority over actions of the Council pursuant to the provisions of the Charter at Section 2-07:

The right of the parish president to veto as provided in this section shall apply to all ordinances adopted by the council except ordinances providing for

reapportionment, amendments to this Charter, establishing, altering or modifying council procedure, **appropriating funds for auditing or investigating any part of the executive branch**, or as provided elsewhere in this Charter.

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council enact this ordinance ordering an investigation and the appropriation of funds sufficient to conduct the investigation of the termination of all parish employees removed from their employment from August 24, 2020 to the present; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the investigation shall be conducted by an independent Human Resources attorney and/or consultant (“Consultant”) hired by the Council which investigation shall determine whether or not the employee terminations from August 24, 2020 to the present have been conducted in accordance with the Parish policies and procedures; that the report of the Consultant be delivered to the Council President; that the Consultant be directed to prepare the report in such format as to assure that the personally identifiable information for each of the terminated employees remain confidential in the report; and, that the Consultant meet with the Council in executive session to discuss the findings of the report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President is ordered to cooperate fully with the investigation including the production of personnel files for the employees terminated from August 24, 202 to present, if and as requested by the Consultant.

XI. RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED:

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilman Easton Shelvin To Adopt **Resolution No. 020-2023**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

**RESOLUTION NO. 020-2023
ST LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
CULTURAL DISTRICT EXTENSION**

A Resolution in support of an application for the creation of the Extension of the Town of Washington Louisiana Cultural District.

WHEREAS, Act 298 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature authorizes Local Governing Authorities to create Cultural Districts as a mechanism for community revitalization through the creation of hubs of cultural activity; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Office of Cultural Development is authorized to develop standard criteria for cultural districts and to determine whether or not a proposed Cultural District meets those criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Office of Cultural Development has promulgated administrative rules which set forth the procedure for Local Governing Authorities to submit applications to designate and certify a specific geographic area as a Cultural District; and

WHEREAS, the geographic area within the Parish of St Landry, may meet the criteria for the creation of a Cultural District which area is generally comprised of the territory within the following boundaries: “5.164 ACRES MORE OR LESS N VIDRINE S BAYOU COURTABLEAU E WASHINGTON-BEGGS HWY IN SEC 81 T-5S R-3 (4)E 560682”; and

WHEREAS, within the boundaries of a state-certified Cultural District, several tax incentives may be available including (1) a sales tax exemption on the sale of certain original works of art, (2) individual income tax credits for eligible expenses incurred during the rehabilitation of certain owner-occupied residential or owner-occupied mixed use structures, and (3) income and

corporate franchise tax credits for eligible expenses incurred during the rehabilitation of certain historic structures; and

WHEREAS, only a Local Governing Authority is authorized to submit an application for the designation and certification of a Cultural District; and

WHEREAS, a “Local Governing Authority” is defined by LAC 25:1:1101 as “the governing authority of the parish in which the Cultural District is located”; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Washington Louisiana Extension is located outside the Town of Washington and is located completely within the Parish of St Landry and therefore the St Landry Parish Council will submit an application for the certification and designation of the above described geographic area as an Extension to the Town of Washington Louisiana Cultural District.

NOW THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the St Landry Parish Council does hereby:

1. Support and endorse the submission of an application to the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Office of Cultural Development to designate the Extension of the Town of Washington Louisiana Cultural District, as a state-certified Cultural District; and
2. Delegate its authority to submit said application and all supporting documents, reports, and other forms required for the creation, administration, and reporting to the Town of Washington on behalf of the Local Governing Authority, subject to limitations; and
3. Direct St Landry Parish employees to support and cooperate with efforts by the Town of Washington to compile all necessary information and data required for the application and all subsequent reporting necessary for the administration of the Cultural District; and
4. Request all affected citizens and businesses to support and promote activities consistent with the purposes of the Cultural District; and
5. Authorize the Parish President or designee to sign any and all documents required for the creation and administration of the Extension to the Town of Washington Louisiana Cultural District.

XII. COMMITTEE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to accept the **Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes** from **Wednesday, June 7th, 2023** as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilman Easton Shelvin to accept the **Administrative Finance Committee Meeting Minutes** from **Wednesday, June 7th, 2023** as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Easton Shelvin to go into Executive Session, turn off the recording and ask the public to leave the chambers to discuss the Appointment for the Hospital District and the Opelousas Life Church.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

A motion was made by Councilman Coby Clavier, seconded by Councilman Harold Taylor to return to Regular Session and turn on the recording system.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Harold Taylor to re-appoint Mr. Robert Wolf for one appointment for a six year term to Hospital District No. 2. (Opelousas General) (07-19-2023 – 07-19-2029).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Harold Taylor to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment for a six year term to Hospital District No. 2. (Opelousas General). (07-19-2023 – 07-19-2029).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

XIII. ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Coby Clavier to Adjourn the Regular Meeting.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Nancy Carriere, Easton Shelvin, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Gil Savoy, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Coby Clavier. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21st, day of June, 2023.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE
SHERELL JORDAN, COUNCIL CLERK
KAREN BARLOW, ASSISTANT COUNCIL CLERK**