

**ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 @ 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 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

- I.** Chairman Wayne Ardoin called the meeting of the St. Landry Parish Council to order. He asked that the audience please silence all of their electronic devices and ask that all councilmembers speak into their microphones.
- II.** Councilwoman Vivian Olivier led the Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation.
- III.** **ROLL CALL:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards, and Ernest Blanchard. **ABSENT:** None.

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “At this time I would like to have a motion to amend the agenda to introduce **Ordinance 2024-036** in the section of ordinances that will be introduced tonight.

A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to amend the agenda to add **Ordinance 2024-036** for introduction later in the meeting. **On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**IV. CONDOLENCES:**

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere:* Ceasar James Veazie Jr.

*Councilwoman Mildred Thierry:* Brenda Kay Bordelon, Sandra Faye Ford, Ruby Dupre, Larry Espree, Karen Kennerson, Kenneth Joseph Morrison Jr., William Joe Louis Rosette Jr., Kenny Wayne Thomas, Rose Marie Roberts, Ceasar James Veazie Jr., Clint Berry, Cal Rosette, Shawn Webster Dell, Caldonia Staton, Eva Grimes, Carla Faye Prejean Manuel, Brenda Fay Billeaudeau.

*Councilman Ken Marks:* Rogers Ray Deville, Roger “Bookie” Taylor, Michael Troy Moran, Verna Lee Bellard Lejeune, Curtis Stelly, Robert Lee Aymond, Carol Ann Guillory Hebert, Shawn Elston, Leonard Thomas.

*Councilman Alvin Stelly:* Wallace “Gator” Joseph Broussard Jr.

*Councilman Dexter Brown:* Gladys Marie Henry Woods, Ceasar James Veazie Jr., Sr. Cpl. Segus Jolivette Sr.

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin:* Douglas Michael Wallett, Jane Marker Stelly, Sr. Cpl. Segus Jolivette Sr., Westly Speyer Jr., Earl William Anderson, Kenneth “Kenny” DeJean, Charles Ray Delahoussaye Sr., John Floyd Soileau, Ceasar James Veazie Jr.,

*Councilman Ernest Blanchard:* Wilda Guillory Comeaux, McDonald Joseph Fontenot, Ray Allen “Shorty” Rogas, Joseph Berchman Andrepont Sr., James Richard, Patricia Duplechaine “Pat” Richard, James Lee ‘Jim’ Monier, Joe Corral Moreno, Jennifer Lea Latiolais, Marie LeDoux “Elaine” Oge’, Russell James Quebedeaux, AnnaMae Brunet Johnson, Rev. William ‘Gary’ Mitchell, Nina Rose Toups LeJeune, Carl James Olivier, Lila LeBlanc, Craig Anthony Dupre, Alonda Ann Gobert, Joseph Hubert Fontenot, Ethel P. Manuel.

*\*Chairman Wayne Ardoin called for a moment of silence for the families that lost their loved ones.*

**V. PERSON TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:**

- a. **Mr. Joseph Scottie Dumas and Melissa Villery** regarding Blighted Property at 171 Gulino Street, Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0104463050.  
**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, “Are there anyone in the audience or there anyone representing Mr. Joseph Scottie Dumas and Melissa Villery?”  
❖ **No one showed up.**
- b. **John Gabriel Lewis Jr. and Enola Lewis** regarding Blighted Property on Linwood Loop, Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0105451200.  
**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, “Are there anyone in the audience or there anyone representing Mr. John Gabriel Lewis Jr. and Enola Lewis?”  
❖ **No one showed up.**
- c. **Marvin Guillory and Penny Guillory** regarding Blight Property at 8844 HWY 190, Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0602770965.  
**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, “Are there anyone in the audience or there anyone representing Mr. Marvin Guillory and Penny Guillory?”  
❖ **No one showed up.**
- d. **Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation** regarding Blighted Property at 239 Bullard Avenue N. Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0103875700.  
**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, “Are there anyone in the audience or there anyone representing Federal Home Loan Mortgage Coporation?”  
❖ **No one showed up.**
- e. **Midsouth Bank** regarding Blight Property 728 McNeese Street, Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0105008100.  
**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, “Are there anyone in the audience or there anyone representing Midsouth Bank?”  
❖ **No one showed up.**

**Mr. Dale Polozola addressed the council regarding his reappointment to Public Works Commission District 6. He stated**, “I am here seeking reappointment as Commissioner of District 6 Public Works Commission where I have been serving. I live over on the Atchafalaya River off of HWY 105 on my farm for about 40 or 50 years now. I am currently serving as IT Director for the Louisiana District Attorney Association in Baton Rouge where I have done that for 17 years. I have managed small construction projects and large IT Projects. I have a good bit of experience and I have been married to my wife for 29 years now and I have 3 very successful boys. I come out of St. Landry Parish and I am proud to live here and I would like to continue serving because I think that we need to make a difference in improving our public infrastructure so we can retain some young people and get some economic growth for them.”

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned**, “Are there any questions for Mr. Polozola?”

**Chairman Harold Taylor stated**, “To make it worth your while for being here I have been knowing this gentleman for all of his life. I have worked with him several years at another job. He is an outstanding man and very knowledgeable of his industry and knowledgeable of the things that he does. I just want to thank you and your commission for all of the work that you do in District 6 for an agency that has 3 employees and take care of 67 miles of parish roads that is pretty darn good. Thank you very much Dale.”

**Mr. Dale Polozola stated**, “Thank you all for allowing me to serve but it is all of our guys that does that work it is not really us.”

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, “Thank you Mr. Polozola. Next we have Mr. Jason Halpen.”

**Mr. Jason Halphen addressed the council.** He stated, “My name is Jason Halphen. I live at 3355 W. Atchafalaya Levy Road, Krotz Springs, LA. I am also on the Road Commission District 6 and we are having a meeting later this month. I was watching the Committee Meeting and I was actually on line item No. 9 on the agenda to authorize a signed copy of all Cooperative Endeavor Agreements, Lease Agreements and Intergovernmental Agreements be provided to the council clerk once signed and decide if we need a resolution to do that. The only thing I was not clear from when I was watching the meeting was Ms. Nancy saying that there were some agreements that were missing and there were problems with filing stuff. I was wondering why we don’t file it with the Clerk of Court. Why don’t we sign one with District 6 that says we have an Intergovernmental Agreement then you all will sign it and that will be two signed blue copies and then we will take a third copy and file it with the Clerk of Court. Some of these agreements are perpetual and last longer than a lot of these people or any of us that will be around, maybe it would be good to have a copy filed. I know in the business that I do if it is over \$100,000.00 or a right-of-way or a long time that I am sharing I am going to get a lawyer that is going to send a copy and get it filed with the clerk of court. It may cost, I am not sure of the cost but I don’t know if Mr. Jagneaux is going to charge but I think that we need to put that into the procedure and at least discuss it.”

**Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,** “After everything is signed our attorney does that. He does file it with the Clerk of Court.”

**Mr. Jason Halphen stated,** “Okay, they were doing that like when Ms. Nancy was talking or did you all start that now?”

**Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,** “They been doing it. He does file it with the Clerk of Court’s Office every time one is signed so we can have a copy in the Clerk of Court.”

**Mr. Jason Halphen stated,** “Okay, thank you all very much.”

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,** “Anyone else on Public Comments? Ms. Lena Charles.”

**Ms. Lena Charles Addressed the council.** She stated, “Good evening Chairman Ardoin, Councilmen and Councilwoman, Parish President Mr. Bellard and the audience. On the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Original Southwest Louisiana Zydeco Festival I came to the last Committee Meeting and told you all we were in the process of requiring all of our necessary paperwork and working on getting ready for the Festival. I stand before you tonight extending that invitation from last meeting to this meeting and we are all ready. We are ready with all of our permits, documents, insurance and I just want to let you all know that the parish is not in any way jeopardized and I thank you all for your sponsorship, your partnership and it makes us feel so good when everybody is coming together and doing this for our community. They are coming to see how we live, who we are, our hospitality and our food. They want to have a good time and I will assure you that we will have all of that ready for them to do. I have your information here and your passes. Sometimes I will come up here and I will invite all of you all and I don’t see you all. I want to make sure that I see you all this time. If you don’t see me when you walk in just ask where is Ms. Lena? A personal thanks to Mr. Jessie for the hospitality of the Yambilee Festival Grounds. All of the improvements that you have made there is a blessing it really is a blessing. When community folks feel proud about their area and feel proud they like to invite folks and they show them like they did it themselves, you know what I am saying? That is what I do. God is good and he has blessed us for 42 years and it is because you all are a part of it. Thank you so much.”

## **VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Alvin Stelly to approve **the Regular Meeting Minutes from July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024** as transcribed.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “The next item it is the Special Meeting Minutes from August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024. That was in reference to that Resolution with Guilco.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “That is correct.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Do we have the copies of that. You had said that you were going to turn in the copies of the request. You had what the meeting was about but you never gave us the Resolution itself of what that was about.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “Okay I can.”

A motion was made by Councilman Ken Marks, seconded by Councilman Alvin Stelly to approve **the Special Meeting Minutes from August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024** as transcribed.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

## **VII. PARISH PRESIDENT REPORT:**

- **Update on Equipment Purchase**

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “The same thing with the bonding. We are just waiting on Mr. LeFleur to finish the information and bring it forward.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Do you want to put it back on the next Committee Meeting?”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “We can bring it back to Committee or whatever we need or whenever it is ready we will bring to the council. I understood that he would have had it for the last meeting.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Do you have anything else on your Parish President’s Report?”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “No Sir.”

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to accept the Parish President’s Report.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS:**

**\*Items passed through committee.**

- 1. The council to vote on whether or not to go forward on work on the Blighted Property located at 171 Gulino Street, Opelousas, LA 70570. Parcel No. 0104463050 owned by Joseph Scottie Dumas and Melissa Villery.**

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated*, “Mr. Chairman we are going to pass on this matter. If you look at your packet that I place on your desk of the improvements that were taken as of yesterday we are going to pass on that matter. They have complied.”

A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to authorize the Parish Government to pass on this matter. Improvements are being taken care of and they have complied. The Blighted Property is located at 171 Gulino Street, Opelousas, LA 70570. Joseph Scottie Dumas and Melissa Villery. Parcel No. 0104463050.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

2. **The Council to vote on whether or not to go forward on work on the Blighted Property located in Linwood Loop, Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0105451200. Owned by John Gabriel Lewis Jr. and Enola Lewis.**

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, "At this time we are asking for approval so that the Parish Government can move forward in cleaning this property. The only thing they removed from the property was a vehicle. The mobile home have some updated pictures as of yesterday that they did not comply."*

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to authorize the Parish Government to move forward with cleaning the Blighted Property located in Linwood Loop, Opelousas, LA 70570, owned by John Gabriel Lewis Jr. and Enola Lewis. Parcel No. 0105451200.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

3. **The Council to vote on whether or not to go forward on the work on the Blighted Property located at 8844 Hwy 190, Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0602770965 owned by Marvin Guillory and Penny Guillory.**

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, "At this time we would like to pass on this matter. Major improvements to the property have been made. I spoke to Mr. Guillory earlier before the meeting started and he is going to comply and he is going to continue improving the property."*

A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to authorize the Parish Government to pass on this matter. Major improvements have been made to the property of Mr. Marvin Guillory and Penny Guillory at 8844 Hwy 190, Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0602770965.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

4. **The council to vote on whether or not to go forward on work on the Blighted Property located at 239 Bullard Avenue N., Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0103875700 owned by Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.**

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, "On this property I have been in contact with the Broker and the Mortgage Company. They had some miscommunication. They have been waiting on a permit. They thought they had to go through the city so they could demolish. I found that out yesterday and that is why they have not completed the job. We got that straight and I just want to move forward if they do not get it demolished and cleaned in 30 day St. Landry Parish Government will go on to the property and take care of it. I am asking for an approval to give them a 30 day extension to clean the property."*

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to grant a 30 day extension to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation to work on the Blighted Property located at 239 Bullard Avenue N., Opelousas, LA 70570. Parcel No. 0103875700.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

*Councilman Dexter Brown questioned, "Ms. Cynthia, that 239 Bullard Avenue is that near Burr Street?"*

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, “No sir that is across from Super Luper by Grolee Elementary, across the street, that corner lot. There is a house and it goes back to Lofton.”*

*Councilman Dexter Brown stated, “I know down Bullard going toward Burr Street they have an old trailer that is falling down. I know it is in the city.”*

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, “I will check and see if it falls under our jurisdiction.”*

*Councilman Dexter Brown stated, “Thank you Ma’am. I appreciate it.”*

**5. The council to vote on whether or not to go forward on work on the Blighted Property located at 728 McNeese Street, Opelousas, LA 70570 Parcel No. 0105008100 owned by Midfirst Bank.**

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, “I would like to pass at this time. The grass has been cut. They are caring for the property.”*

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “This particular property I see that the Bank owns it now but previously it was someone. We have been dealing with this one for years. I have another concern about the one previously before this one. When we have the banks especially banks that are out of state that own these properties and they are not maintaining them. We are saying that they are cutting the grass but they are from out of state and we can hardly reach them.”*

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, “I have been very proactive on it. I have been contacting them, I have various e-mails back and forth and I have made contact with someone there. I have been in contact with the Bullard Street Property. There is a lady who I contact in Alexandria. She is the local contact and we have gone to the property and she is working on getting things done. The one on McNeese Street, the same thing. I have been talking back and forth with the bank representative and they were not aware that they had a mobile home on that property. The owner let someone put a mobile home there so now they are taking action on that. They are keeping up the property.”*

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “Okay, I have tried before you calling the bank and they have an alarm service that they contract with and a lot of times they don’t do it.”*

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, “They have been very good on these, even on Bullard Street. The started cutting the grass. They just have not gone the whole property. On McNeese Street the lady is very good and she is staying on top of it.”*

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “Thank you.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Ms. Fontenot do you have an update on the Tate Property on Victoria’s Loop?”*

*Ms. Cynthia Fontenot, Code Enforcement Officer stated, “Yes sir. Mr. Tate’s son has been working on the property. It is a slow process but he is trying to do it and he is keeping in touch with me. They have been making progress.”*

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Thank you very much.”*

A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edward, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to authorize the Parish Government to pass on this matter. Improvements have been made to the property of Midfirst Bank located at 728 McNeese Street, Opelousas, LA 70570. Parcel No. 0105008100

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**6. Authorize the Preliminary Approval showing a Subdivision ‘Daly Estates’ of 143.52 Acre Tract of land being partitioned as lots 1-15 located along Hwy 182 and Hwy 178 situated in section 174 & 175 Township 7 South, Range 4 East Opelousas, LA**

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated,* “I have one question. I know that I have spoken to you Mr. Bellard a little while ago about this. We just got that letter today about the Lewisburg Water. You said that you were waiting on another water system to see if they would be able to handle this. I don’t know who district it would be in, It maybe Ms. Vivian’s District.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,* “If I am not mistaken I think you are the contractor am I correct?”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,* “Would you come up please and state your name and address and who you are representing.”

*Mr. Clay Menard addressed the council. He stated,* “I live at 136 Clara Von Drive, Lafayette, LA. We are the consulting Engineers for this property. We did get an approval from the department of Health to have individual water wells on this property. The nearest water system was Lewisburg and Bellevue and they cannot furnish adequate water supply or pressure to this property so that is why we are asking for the approval and the state did give us an approval to have private water wells.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,* “What about Water District Two? It should be North of Sunset, I tried to contact them this afternoon I am not sure if they cover that certain area I know Lewisburg do not go that far out. ”

*Mr. Clay Menard. stated,* “Right out of Sunset, they are South of the property, they do not come near the property so they could not furnish the water. We did reach out to both of them to see if they could because we did want to have public water instead of individual wells.”

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated,* “I just have a question because I am curious when the State approves individual wells that means everyone have to buy their own well.”

*Mr. Clay Menard. stated,* “Yes mam, they would have to hire a contractor to drill a water well depending upon the size that they want for the property.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,* “At this time you want to delay this thing. Do have to wait and get something approved about the water wells.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,* “No it is ready to go. Everything approved by the state, we good.”

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated,* “If I am at liberty, I know Mr. Ardoin just asked if there were any stipulations but I just want to make a comment that the land owners will be aware of this before and it will be written down somewhere.”

*Mr. Clay Menard. stated,* “Right the developer is going to split the subdivision governing everything and we have a letter from the Department of Health saying that they can have private water wells and it is their responsibility to get such.”

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated,* “Thank you.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,* “Matter of record that they are aware that they have to get water wells.”

*Councilman Harold Taylor stated,* “I have a question I would like to refer to the parish president, didn’t we talk about getting a copy of the HOA when we make these approvals.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,* “I do not know if we passed it in an Ordinance.”

*Councilman Harold Taylor stated,* “Could we get a copy of that?”

*Mr. Clay Menard. stated,* “What will end up happening is when the preliminary approval is granted we will seek final plat approval.”

*Councilman Harold Taylor stated,* “Wait a minute this is not final approval.”

*Mr. Clay Menard. stated,* “No this is preliminary plat.”

*Councilman Harold Taylor stated,* “Ok so all we are doing is approving the preliminary and you all will come with the final plat.”

*Mr. Clay Menard. stated,* “We will come back with a final plat and at that time all the culverts and restrictions will be done. Everything will be given as a matter of public record and filed in the courthouse for public record for this development.”

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Harold Taylor to approve the Preliminary Approval showing a Subdivision ‘Daly Estates’ of 143.52 Acre Tract of land being partitioned as lots 1-15 located along Hwy 182 and Hwy 178 situated in section 174 & 175 Township 7 South, Range 4 East Opelousas, LA

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**7. Authorize the Final approval of the Newly Proposed 250’ Verizon Cell Tower Site located at 112 Elementary School Road US-LA 5453 Morrow, LA Parcel No. 0402739510A.**

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to authorize the Final approval of the Newly Proposed 250’ Verizon Cell Tower Site located at 112 Elementary School Road US-LA 5453 Morrow, LA Parcel No. 0402739510A.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**8. Authorize the Council Clerk to place an order for the minute books beginning with the year 2025 through year 2028 for a total cost of \$885.50.**

A motion was made by Councilman Ken Marks, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to authorize the Council Clerk to place an order for the minute books beginning with the year 2025 through the year 2028 for a total cost of \$885.50.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**9. Authorize a signed copy of all Cooperative Endeavor Agreements, Lease Agreements and Intergovernmental Agreements be provided to the Council Clerk once signed and decide if we need a Resolution to do that.**

*Councilman Harold Taylor stated,* “Just a little clarification who will actually file this in the clerk of court office. Sherell will you handle that.”

*Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated,* “Yes I will handle it.”

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to authorize a signed copy of all Cooperative Endeavor Agreements, Lease Agreements and Intergovernmental Agreements be provided to the Council Clerk once signed.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune,



Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**10. Authorize the start process to sell the bonds for District 9, Road District 1 of 11-A, Fund 42 to begin the process of overlaying roads.**

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to authorize the start process to sell the bonds for District 9 Road District 1 of 11-A Fund 42 to begin the process of overlaying roads.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

**WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024

**11. Vote to re-appoint Leroy Randall Jr. and Robert Carter for two appointments to Fire District No. 7 for a one and two-year term. (09-19-2024 - 09-19-2025) and (09-19-2024 – 09-19-2026).**

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to re-appoint Leroy Randall Jr. and Robert Carter for two appointments to Fire District No. 7 for a one and two-year term. (09-19-2024 - 09-19-2025) and (09-19-2024 – 09-19-2026).

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**12. Vote to re-appoint Jerry Domengeaux for one appointment to Ward Two Gravity Drainage No. 1 for a four-year term. (09-21-2024 – 09-21-2028)**

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to re-appoint Jerry Domengeaux for one appointment to Ward Two Gravity Drainage No. 1 for a four-year term. (09-21-2024 – 09-21-2028)

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**13. Discuss starting time and length of hearing for each Ordinance.**

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Ms. Thierry I think you wanted to speak on this item.”

*Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated*, “Yes, I think it has become necessary that we consider putting something into place where we don’t deal with more than four ordinances per meeting which would start the starting time at 5:00 p.m. Keeping in the work force don’t have enough time to get here early enough to be a part of it or if they desire to speak on one of the ordinances. I am saying that I would like for us to come together and decide if it would be a good thing to possibly get our Counsel Attorney to put an ordinance in place where we would say that our starting time would be no earlier than 5:00 p.m. If we have more mind when we start like a few weeks ago we had started at 4:15 p.m. which is entirely too early. Number one, the Council Clerks are still on the clock at that time. Number two, some of the councilmembers are still at work and Number three the public, those who are still in ordinances take them that are time sensitive and put them first and let the others be pushed back to the following month. It is just me that is why I said that I would like to have a discussion. Another thing, I don’t think that it is necessary and I could not find anything that states that we have to spend 15 minutes on each ordinance. So I am open for discussion. I would appreciate it if we can get something together and possibly get something put in place so that we don’t start no earlier than 5:00 p.m. with the Public Hearing.”

**Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated,** “I agree with Ms. Thierry. I would like to suggest if there is any way possible that it would be a ten minute interval.”

**Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated,** “That is exactly what I had in mind. Ten minutes per ordinance. I don’t know what the rest of the members think of this.”

**Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated,** “Five p.m. would be an appropriate time for me. I do work and I sometimes do after tutoring and we don’t finish until 4:30 p.m. or 4:45 p.m. I am in agreement with it.”

**Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated,** “If they are only ten minute ordinances each and you are putting four you don’t have to start at 5:00 p.m. if you will roll them to ten minutes a piece.”

**Councilman Harold Taylor stated,** “That is a good point Mr. Lejeune. Why don’t we have it flexible? We have some ordinances that have no discussion about them.”

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,** “There is no comments on some ordinances.”

**Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated,** “Why don’t we try to limit it to three ordinance at ten minutes a piece and everyone starts at 5:30 p.m. at the earliest. Then you will have three of them and if it is something that is an emergency or something that is very time sensitive like Ms. Mildred said then we can always have that waived or get it in there if we need to instead of having 5 or 6 of them.”

**Councilman Harold Taylor stated,** “Instead of putting a time on each ordinance it says that it will be discussed between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. It use to go into an extra 15 minutes after 6:00 p.m. Our Charter clearly says that we are not suppose to have a meeting before 5:00 p.m. and these hears are a Public Meeting. We are already violating the Charter.”

**Councilman Dexter Brown stated,** “This is just a suggestion whereas some of these ordinances are basically open and shut. My suggestion and this is just a suggestion, we can put it at a 5 minute time limit. If need be we can extend it to 15 minutes, that is just a suggestion. What do you all think?”

**Councilman Harold Taylor stated,** “Mr. Chairman, if you don’t put a time on any ordinance and you have an ordinance that you are interested in general public then you should be here between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. because you will get to talk and view your comments. If you put that it will be at 5:30 p.m. they may not come until 5:25 so leave it flexible is my point.”

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,** “Are there any other comments from any other councilmember?”

**Parish President Jessie Bellard stated,** “Mr. Chairman, I think that Mr. Taylor is right. I think that we need to do the time frame, most times at other council meetings that is what they do. If anybody is there to talk on it and they are there or they are not there they move on to the next one. How many times do we have anyone talk on an ordinance? It is hardly ever but I know that we have to do it. This is going to help us a lot.”

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,** “This evening you had no one here on two ordinances, which we only had 2 and no one spoke except for the sponsors. Are there any other comments?”

**Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated,** “I am in agreement with doing whatever is the best thing that is going to work. Just because I made certain suggestions it does not have to be that, whatever works best.”

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,** “So Ms. Thierry you will get with Mr. Duplechain and you will come up with some of the timeframes that we discussed tonight and you will be the sponsor of it, please.”

**Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated,** “Mr. Chairman, I think what we are dealing with is Internal Policy as to the procedure that is going to be used as far as the time each hearing will be and when the starting time and how many ordinances we put forth. I would not pass an ordinance

to bind the council to just four ordinances or a certain procedure or anything like that. It is an Internal Procedure that the council would establish as to the time for each hearing and when the hearing will start, how many ordinances and things like that. I don't think an ordinance is really required for that. The council could pass a Resolution to express his will but I don't really think that is even necessary. The meeting are really managed by the Chairman and so you can set your Internal Policy like that. As I understand it the hearings will start at a certain time and then whoever has something to say on that ordinance would show up at that time and we would move on to the next hearing if no one show up so it could be flexible like that. All the statue law says is that whoever has something to say on an ordinance has to be given an opportunity to talk on it so as long as they have an opportunity and it is being fulfilled. This is really an Internal Policy on the part of the council which would be established as to how these hearings take place."

**Councilman Harold Taylor stated**, "Mr. Duplechain it is all ingrained in our council rules so that is all that we have to change is our rules. The rules says 15 minutes, we can make it what we want. That is the part, it does not require an ordinance for council rules is what I am saying."

**Councilman Faltery Jolivette stated**, "Mr. Duplechain, Councilman Taylor mentioned that our Charter requires us to start our meetings after 6:00 p.m. My question is this: Are we in non-compliant? Are we Non-Compliant by starting before 5:00 p.m.?"

**Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated**, "Yes."

**Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated**, "If that is what the Charter says then that is true. I will have to find that in our Charter. You can't start before 5:00 p.m. So from now on we won't start before 5:00 p.m."

**Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated**, "Do we need to do that as a Resolution or let the ordinance be set at the discretion of the Chairman, the time frame."

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, "I am for whatever the council wants to do. I am like Ms. Thierry. We are starting at 4:15 in the afternoon, it makes it impossible for people to come here and be able to speak on whatever we are discussing. At 5:00 p.m. if that is what we are going to decide on let's go with it. If it is 5:30 p.m. let's go with it."

**Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated**, "I make a motion that we start all Public Hearings at the time of 5:30 p.m. and the length of the discussion is determined by the Council Chairman of the meeting."

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, "What I will do I will get with Ms. Sherell on the Thursday before the agenda goes out and we will make a decision of what time we will start the meetings and that way she will let you all know that morning of the meeting on what time everything is going to start. Is that fair enough?"

**Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated**, "Yes, but it definitely won't before 5:30 p.m."

**Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, "No Ma'am."

**Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated**, "There is one problem, on the next full council meeting we are up to six ordinances right now which will be at 4:30 p.m."

**Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated**, "There can only be a certain number of ordinances if you are going to start at 5:30 p.m. If you limit the number of ordinances you will pass each meeting that does give the council more time to examine each ordinance in detail before it is put for introduction and put for passage. If it is going to be two ordinances or six ordinances it make a differences whether you start at 5:00 p.m. or 5:30 p.m."

**Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated**, "We are at six ordinances right now."

**Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated**, "If we don't have a set time for each ordinance for the Public Hearing for it we possibly might get to all of them if no one is speaking on a certain one, if we are not spending a certain amount of time on each ordinance. For example if we have one and there is no speaker we will move on to the next one."

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Yes Ma’am, it would really safe the chaos. There is a lot of visiting going on and people get to talking and we have spent two hours here and we still have accomplished the same thing, we went through six ordinance.

I will get with Ms. Sherell and we will give you all the notice that morning on what time Public Hearings will start but they will not start until 5:30 in the evening, okay. With that do we need a motion Mr. Duplechain?”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “The Affirmative for that is that is what you all want to do and that will do it.”

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to begin all Public Hearings at 5:30 p.m. The length of the discussion of the ordinance will be determined by the Chairman.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**14. Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment to Public Works Commission District Six for a four –year term. (10-20-2024 – 10-20- 2028).**

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment to Public Works Commission District Six for a four –year term. (10-20-2024 – 10-20-2028).

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**IX. ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED:**

***(This Ordinance Was Pulled At This Time)***

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-031**

**An Ordinance to Establish the St. Landry Parish Government’s Authority, Discretion, and Procedures for Work on Private Roads, if Fully Funded by the Private Applicant(s).**

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “Mr. Chairman, the very first one, I was called today by our DA and he asked that we pull this and not even entertain it for Liability Reasons. I don’t know if he got with Mr. Garrett but he was suppose to call Garrett this morning.”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “I spoke to him about this matter.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “He had some concerns about Private Roads period and he ask that we not entertain it.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “So we are going to pass on Ordinance 2024-031 in Reference to the District Attorney’s Directions.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “Yes sir. I would appreciate it.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “So we don’t need a motion.”

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-032**

**Sponsored By: Councilwoman Nancy Carriere**

**AN ORDINANCE TO DONATE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY LOCATED ON BERNICE STREET, OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA, TO THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS FOR A SEWAGE TREATMENT STATION WHICH IS FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE**

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Do you want to enlighten us on that Mr. Bellard.”*

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Mr. Duplechain has been handling that matter.*

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “The City of Opelousas is building a Sewage Treatment Facility on that lot on Bernice Street. They wanted to start before ownership of that lot was transferred to them by the St. Landry Parish Government. So St. Landry Parish Government granted a right way to the city so they have been constructing their Sewage Treatment Facility on that lot. As of the beginning of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 St. Landry Parish Government has acquired full and complete ownership over that so it is not Adjudicated Property anymore. St. Landry Parish Government now has full and complete ownership of that lot on Bernice Street. Now for a Public Purpose St. Landry Parish Government can transfer/donate ownership of that lot to the City of Opelousas so Opelousas will then own it and they will have a Sewerage Treatment Facility on it. So what this ordinance does: It will provide the ownership of this lot on Bernice Street be donated and transferred by the St. Landry Parish Government to the City of Opelousas for a Public Purpose which is the Sewerage Treatment Plant.”*

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “You will have all of the specifications on the ordinance that you will draw up?”*

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “Right, the Opelousas City Attorney and I will take the further steps for the Conveyance of Transfer after today.”*

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “Just as long as we have all of our ‘I’s’ dotted and ‘T’s’ crossed so that when we donate it we are donating it. We had this with the Sewerage and the City of Opelousas before and the paper work had not been properly done. I want to make sure that we get this paperwork done and there be no recourse and we give it to them, we donate it and it is donated. No fault on you but I want to make it clear.”*

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “There is no issue with this one because it was done through the proper process.”*

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “I just want to make sure that we follow through with the paperwork is all that I am saying.”*

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I agree.”*

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “Because we did vote and the paperwork was not done and we had to face that issue. That is fine. I understand that this is near the Inaclare Subdivision”*

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Yes.”*

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Do I have any other comments? Do I have a Sponsor?”*

*Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “I will sponsor it.”*

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Ms. Nancy Carriere is the Sponsor of Ordinance 2024-032.”*

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-033**  
**Sponsored By: Councilman Alvin Stelly**

**AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE ROAD DISTRICTS SUB-1 ROAD DISTRICT 11-A, ROAD DISTRICT 12 OF WARD 2, AND ROAD DISTRICT 1 OF WARD 3, TO SUBMIT TO THE ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL ALL INVOICES AND RECEIPTS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE ROADS IN THOSE ROAD DISTRICTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE PAYMENTS ARE MADE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-034**  
**Sponsored By: Councilman Harold Taylor**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 18-85 OF CHAPTER 18 OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CHANGE THE WORDING IN SECTION 18-85 (c) TO READ “50 lots or 5 acres, whichever is lesser....”**

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Mr. Duplechain, would you comment on this ordinance.”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “That would be me. This is a requirement from FEMA. Basically the word ‘Less’ has to be ‘Lesser’. I have been speaking with FEMA numerous times over the weeks and the months. We have over 1,900 Flood Insurance Policies in St. Landry Parish and FEMA wants St. Landry Parish to succeed in continuing to be able to have Flood Insurance Accessible to the people in St. Landry Parish. To do that there is a certain Bureaucratic Procedure that will have to be done. One of them is when they require a flood ordinance to be amended, that is what this is here. They are working with St. Landry Parish and they want us to succeed in being able to have Flood Insurance down here from FEMA and this is a requirement that they have. It is just simply amending the Ordinance to a wording that they would want, so that is what this is right here.”

*Councilman Harold Taylor stated*, “Mr. Duplechain, I sponsored an ordinance that we changed it to this some time ago, was it not worded right?”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “It was the same ordinance and they wanted another change in it so they contacted me.”

*Councilman Harold Taylor stated*, “What is the other change?”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “It is one word. Lessor. They wanted Lessor instead of Less. Originally it was 50 lots or five acers and it was changed to 50 lots or five acres with the number 5 and then they contacted me again and they wanted Lessor instead of Less.”

*Councilman Harold Taylor stated*, “I am good, I will sponsor that.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “I am just here to tell you all that this is not going to be the end of it. It is unbelievable what they are asking everybody to do and they are holding that little insurance card over everybody’s head. Those little words like that, they drafted the last one basically and said this is what you need to pass. We pass exactly what was drafted then they want to change.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Mr. Taylor is sponsoring 2024-034 with the wording changes.”

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-035**  
**Sponsored By: Councilman Ken Marks**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH RULES AND CONTROLS TO ENSURE THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY OF ST. LANDRY PARISH’S LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES.**

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Mr. Duplechain you just gave us this ordinance last week.”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “There is a copy of the ordinance for everyone on their desk on this particular ordinance.

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned*, “Do I have a Sponsor?”

*Councilman Ken Marks stated*, “I will take that.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Mr. Marks will sponsor Ordinance No. 2024-035. Okay, we amended the Agenda to bring up Ordinance No. 2024-036.”

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-036**  
**Sponsored By: Councilman Ernest Blanchard**

**AN ORDINANCE TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY TO AN ADJOINING LANDOWNER OF THE ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS PER LA R.S. 47:2202 (B) WHICH IS 1 LOT IRREGULAR IN SHAPE. (0.199AC) IN THE NE/4 OF THE NW/4 OF SEC 34 T-65 R-1W 708569 (V-27-153) 947218 (J-41-458). This is an adjudicated property bearing Parcel No. 8602320500. Mr. Blanchard, I think that is the one that you ask to be brought up.”**

*Councilman Ernest Blanchard stated*, “Mr. Edward Manuel has been taking care of that property for 20 plus years.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Do you want to be the sponsor of it?”

*Councilman Ernest Blanchard stated*, “Yes Sir. I was already the sponsor of it on June 26<sup>th</sup>.”

*Councilman Harold Taylor questioned*, “Is this up for a vote tonight?”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “No Sir. He is just sponsoring it tonight and we will bring it back for a Public Hearing if I am not mistaken, right Mr. Duplechain? We are starting it all over again, am I correct?”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “On this particular adjudicated property it was in Ms. Cynthia Fontenot report in the July Full Council meeting from the minutes and it was transferred from those minutes.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Do we need to start the process all over?”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “No sir. It just needs to be introduced, we have the affidavit signed by Mr. Manuel so it would be introduced.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Do we have to have a public hearing. I am asking that the process be started and Mr. Ernie Blanchard be the sponsor so that we will do the proper procedure on it.”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated*, “Right in one month we will have a Public hearing.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “In reference to Ordinance No. 2024-035 my agenda and everything that we printed out from what was sent out did not have it on there. I am trying to figure out how it got on the agenda. I wanted to add it to the agenda tonight but if this agenda and everything is sent out already and tonight we get here and we have a different agenda something is wrong.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “Mr. Bellard, as Chairman here and I am just saying sometimes we get some eleventh hour ordinances or some things to be introduced you have to amend the agenda.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “I agree with amending the agenda but what I am saying is this was on the agenda for tonight but it was not the one that was sent out last week.”

*Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated*, “Mr. Wayne, can I please speak on that? That was sent out on Friday, it was sent out to me on Friday and the agenda closes on Thursdays. It was sent to me by Jenny to have added on Friday. I added it to the agenda in time as she requested. I sent a copy to the newspaper so it was advertised properly. The copy was sent to all of the council. It was sent out but you may not have gotten the updated copy Mr. Bellard.”

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated*, “That is what I am saying. Okay if you all are saying that it is legal then I am good with it. I am the one who wants to put it in place. I just want to make sure that it is done properly.”

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated*, “As soon as she called me I called our Attorney, Mr. Garrett.”

*Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated*, “It was sent to me on Friday.”

*Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, "It was in the Eunice News."*

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "Listen, we have some rules that we have to follow here so let's follow them because at the eleventh hour we don't need to be changing the agenda. I think out of all due respect to the public we want to be transparent here we don't need all of this. If you know Thursday that you have to have it by 11:00 a.m. you have to have it to her so she can put it on the agenda."*

*Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "I was under the impression that we were going to change it tonight. We were going to amend the agenda and add it the agenda tonight. As long as it is done properly I don't care."*

*Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "Mr. Garrett told me to go forward with is so let's roll."*

**X. ORDINANCES TO BE ADOPTED:**

**A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to Adopt Ordinance 2024-029.**

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-029**  
**(Sponsored By: Councilman Timmy Lejeune)**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 44-3 TO HAVE A SPEED LIMIT OF 30 MPH FOR OAK ROAD**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT Section 44-3 of the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances shall be amended so that the speed limits for Oak Road shall be 30 mph;**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT all other provisions of, and amendments to, St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances 44-3 shall remain unchanged and have the full effect of law.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-030**  
**(Sponsored By: Councilman Ken Marks)**

**A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to Adopt Ordinance 2024-030.**

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-030**  
**(Sponsored By: Councilman Ken Marks)**

**AN ORDINANCE TO SELL PROPERTIES THAT HAVE BEEN ADJUDICATED TO ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT**

**WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 47:2201, 47:2202, 47:2203 and 47:2204 provide that a political subdivision may provide by ordinance for the sale of adjudicated property at a public sale.**

**WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 47:2201, 47:2202, 47:2203 and 47:2204 provide that a political subdivision may provide by ordinance for the sale of adjudicated property at a public sale.**



WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Government shall offer for sale the following adjudicated properties with a minimum bid of \$500.00 and/or any specified amount due to St. Landry Parish Government in reference to any liens, judgments, mortgages, and/or encumbrances that may be on each adjudicated property as follows.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that the following adjudicated properties shall be offered for sale at public sale and there shall be a minimum bid of \$500.00 and/or any specified amount due to St. Landry Parish Government in reference to any liens, judgments, mortgages, and/or encumbrances that may be on each of the following adjudicated properties:

PARCEL #	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	PROPERTY OWNER
1	8101793000 1240 W LANDRY ST 1 LOT (50X150) N LOFTON S LANDRY ST E TERRACINA W BERTINOT FRONTING 50' ON WEST LANDRY ST 729976 (DON 46-108) (LOT 8 BLK 12 W LANDRY ST)	MARY JOUBERT
	BID START AT \$8,300.00	
2	8103606700 831 RAYMOND ST 1 LOT 1 (60X135) OF STOUTE PLAT N SYLVESTER S LOT 2 E RAYMOND ST W STOUTE FRONTING 60' ON RAYMOND ST IN SEC 72 T-6S R-4E 774912 (G-34-950) 1010748	MICHAEL RAY ANDRUS
	BID START AT \$2,830.00	
3	8400945800 399 SEVENTH ST 1 LOT (105X129) DUCOTE SUBDIV N JARREAU S VALIN E MORAN W SEVENTH ST FRONTING 105' ON SEVENTH ST 942012 (C-41-736) REDESCRIBED 2005 1044332 1053644	JOHN ANTHONY JEFFERS
	BID START AT \$5,590.00	
4	8401936027 THREE MILE LAKE SUB 1 LOT T-169 (50X195) THREE MILE CORP IN SEC 10 T-6S R-6E 722258 (D-30-319)	FREDDIE BRANDT
5	8400536500 236 6TH STREET 1 LOT #1 (50X142) BLK 25 LEBLANC ADD 634966-A (I-22-388) 1142342	MORRIS GUIDRY ETALS
6	0641431862 130 GASPARD ST (EUNICE) 1 LOT (50X84) LEFT N JOHNSON S WOOD E GUILLORY W GASPARD ST 602311 (O-12-651) 939820 (A-41-349)	GASTON & MARY THOMAS WOODS
	BID START AT \$2,650.00	
7	0602200000 140 GASPARD ST (EUNICE) 1 LOT (50X84) N JOHNSON S WOOD E GUILLORY W GASPARD ST (S-34-396) 996914	CLIFTON J WOODS
	BID START AT \$1,200.00	
8	8102261300 910 W LANDRY STREET 1 LOT (43X87.2) N MANUEL S LANDRY ST E MANUEL W GATH FRONTING 43'	HENRY MICHAEL MICHEL

	<p><b>ON LANDRY ST</b>  <b>837655 (DON 64-335) 917828 (B-40-863) (LOT 6 BLK 9 W LANDRY ST</b></p> <p><b>BID START AT \$12,825.00</b></p>
9	<p><b>0602228400 141 MAMIE ST LADD DAVID YOUNG</b>  <b>1 LOT (50X150) BEGINNING AT A POINT ON S SIDE OF MAMIE AVE 50' W OF</b>  <b>E BOUNDRY LINE OF LOT 5 BLK A SUB DIV OF GOURNEY PARK ADD</b>  <b>THENCE W ALONG</b>  <b>MAMIE AVE THEN S 150' THEN E 50' THEN N 150' TO POINT OF BEGINNING</b></p> <p><b>BID START AT \$6,200.00</b></p>
10	<p><b>8102857500 923 JEFFERSON ST MARY OTHERIE SAM</b>  <b>1 LOT 3 (48X149.4) BLK 1 ANDRUS SUB DIV 565435-B (M-18-558) 999533</b></p> <p><b>BID START AT \$5,500.00</b></p>
11	<p><b>8105585500 1818 PEACE ST JAMES E MICKENS</b>  <b>1 LOT (50X86) MCNEESE &amp; BISHOP SUBDIV N JOSEPH S PITRE E JOUBERT</b>  <b>W BENJAMIN 623407 (S-21-289)</b></p>
12	<p><b>8400765500 446 PACIFIC ST (PORT BARRE) LEONARD THOMAS</b>  <b>1 LOT 12 (55.5X146) BLK 2 SANDOZ ADD 562676</b></p>
13	<p><b>0400265000 BURTON STREET (MELVILLE) MRS ELZINE PERSLEY</b>  <b>1 LOT 7 (48X120) BLK 53 KROTZ ADD 1202498</b></p>
14	<p><b>8102110000 1704 DUSON ST RICHARD LEWIS III</b>  <b>1 LOT 19 (50X150) BLK 12 COLO SOU ADD 761775 (DON 52-423) * * DEEDED</b>  <b>2010 PARISH TAXES * *</b></p>
15	<p><b>0105785055 RECARD ST CATHERINE ANDERSON</b>  <b>1 LOT 20 (50X112) SAM PARISH SUB DIV FRONTING 50' ON NOEL DRIVE IN</b>  <b>SEC 50 &amp; 53 T-6S R-4E (RE-DIVISION OF LOT 19 MCNEESE &amp; BISHOP)</b>  <b>1 LOT 19 (50X1125 SAM PARISH SUBDIV (RE-SUBDIVISION OF LOT 19</b>  <b>MCNEESW &amp; BISHOP) N LOT 81 S LOT 20 E NOEL DR. W LOT 17</b>  <b>FRONTING 50' ON NOEL DR IN SEC 50 53 T-6S R-4E 1123831</b></p>
16	<p><b>8400052021 219 FONTENOT ST (MELVILLE) CHANCI SHAW ETALS</b>  <b>1 LOT 4 (50X200) BLK 6 SHELDON &amp; HAGEN SUB DIV N HAGENS S</b>  <b>LONDERNO E HAGENS W PALM ST OR HWY</b>  <b>FRONTING 40' ON PALM ST 1052352 1158792</b></p>
17	<p><b>8400232250 921 LAFLEUR ST CHANCI SHAW ETAL</b>  <b>1 LOT (113X100) (.25 AC) ON STATE HWY 10 FRONTING 113' ON HWY 10</b>  <b>(ORIG TOWN OF MELV) 982248 (B-43-360)</b>  <b>1137784</b></p>
18	<p><b>105280000 CHARLIE ST/COLORADO ST HARRIS JOSEPH LANCLÓS</b>  <b>4 LOTS LOT 24 (50X125) LOT 25 (50X125) LOT 42 (50X120) LOT 43 (50X120)</b>  <b>CHARLIE BURR SUBDIV N CHARLIE ST S AGNES ST E LOTS 26 &amp; 41 W</b>  <b>COLORADO AVE</b></p>

19	8100649973	647 E. BELLEVUE ST	WILSON WEBSTER
		1 LOT (45X100) BLK 27 OPELOUSAS ORIGINAL TOWN N BELLEVUE ST S GREEN E CASCIO W FOURNIER 198391 892087 (TAX 13-852)	
20	0101724000	423 ACADEMY ST	NANCY JOHNSON
		1 LOT (20.7X100) N E TERRACINA S RISEMAN W ACADEMY ST 566745  (LOT 9 BLK 4 S ACADEMY ST - FOR OFFICE USE ONLY) 1 LOT (10X56.5) N E TERRACINA S BILLEAUDEAU W ACADEMY ST 566745	
21	8102980000	1609 EVANS ST	FRANK SIMIEN SR
		1 LOT (48X100) MOUTON SUBDIV N BABINEAUX S LEWIS E DOHMAN W ARTIGUE ST IN SEC 92 T-6S R-4E 219651 (Q-7-579)	
22	8100241200	810 N MAIN ST B & B BUILDERS & Investors	
		1 LOT 13 (52X124) HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH N LOT 14 S LOT 12 E LOT 3 W MAIN ST FRONTING 52' ON MAIN ST 937641 (X-40-839) 986940 (G-43-427)	
23	8100866050	GUIDRY ST	SHAWN DEJEAN
		1 LOT (.488 AC) (N 112.47 S 106.54 E 180.27 W 207.75) N CITY OF OPELOUSAS  S GUIDRY ST E RAILROAD AVENUE & CITY OF OPELOUSAS W SOUTHERN PACIFIC RR FRONTING 106.54' ON GUIDRY ST IN SEC 72 T-6S R-4E 765319 (T-33-555)	
24	8100040000	928 E. JEFFERSON ST	NED ALLEN
		1 LOT (52X148.8) N JEFFERSON ST S BARNABE E ANDRUS W GUILLORY FRONTING 52' ON JEFFERSON ST 217536 ( LOT 6 BLK 9 E JEFFERSON ST	

**XI. RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED:**

*There were none.*

**COMMITTEE MINUTES:**

- XII.** A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to accept the **Administrative Finance Committee Meeting Minutes** from **Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024** as transcribed.  
**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.  
**WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Ken Marks to accept the **Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes** from **Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> 2024** as transcribed.  
**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.  
**WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

**XIII. ADJOURN:**

A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilman Harold Taylor to Adjourn the Regular Meeting.

**On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of August, 2024.

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