

**ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20th, 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 20th, day of November, 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.
- II. Councilwoman Nancy Carriere led the Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation.
- III. **ROLL CALL:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor.

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "I am going to ask at this time that the agenda be amended to add two ordinances. Ordinance No. 2024-048. An ordinance to acquire immovable property and it is in reference to the Opelousas Life Church. Ordinance No. 2024-049. An ordinance in reference to purchasing immovable property from Fakouri Enterprises.

A motion was made by Councilman Jody White, seconded by Councilman Ernest Blanchard to amend the agenda to add **Ordinance 2024-048 and Ordinance 2024-049**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "Next I will add to the agenda two Resolutions in reference to an Intergovernmental Agreement with Ward 1 South Gravity Drainage District in reference to some improvements on Sir Thomas Henry Road. The next Resolution would be in reference to an Intergovernmental Agreement with Ward 1 South Gravity Drainage District in reference to Lee Garland Avenue.

A motion was made by Councilman Ken Marks, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to amend the agenda to add two Resolutions in reference to an Intergovernmental Agreement with Ward 1 South Gravity Drainage District in reference to some improvement on Sir Thomas Henry Road. The next Resolution would be in reference to an Intergovernmental Agreement with Ward 1 South Gravity Drainage District in reference to Lee Garland Avenue.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

IV. CONDOLENCES:

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry: Wilfred Etienne, Devante Amere' Lemon Jr., Johnny West Jr., Delores Pellerin Cole, Elizabeth Douresseau, Mary Virginia Brown, Jaleel Guidry, Jason Arvie Jr., Lawrence Thibodeaux Jr., Joann Francis Merricks, Harry Broussard Jr., Josie Mae Bell, Raymond Sostand Sr., Perry James Rideau, Monica Renee Semien, Earvin Jenkins Sr., Mary Helen Milton, Joseph C. Dupre, John Kirt Soileau, Merlyn L. Carrier, John J. T. Miller, Michael James Thomas.

Councilman Ken Marks: Junelle Devillier, Dorothy Aymond, Sheryl Folgeman, Joseph Edward Stelly, John A. Miller, Mary D. Thompson.

Councilman Dexter Brown: Elizabeth Douresseau, Amanda Fontenot

Chairman Wayne Ardoin: Jack Person Jr., Merlin L. Carrier, Mayonce J. Dupre, John Kirt Soileau, Sandra C. Montoucet, Carl Vernon Schwartzenburg, Louis 'Boosie' Ambrose Devillier, Mary Medora Budd,

Councilman Ernest Blanchard: Lonell Burnett White, Mark Stephen Triplett, Theresa Jane Hebert Ardoin, William 'Billy' E. O'Donnell, Terry Carrier, Barbara Myers Middlebrooks, T. Carey Brickman Jr., Richard Wayne Fontenot, James 'Dudley' Hebert Sr., Patti Savoy Belfour Fontenot, Earl Ray 'Rickie' Ledoux, Isaac 'Jack' Jackson Burson Jr., Ella Daigle Cheeks, Aaron Anthony Bellard, Gerald Joseph Matt Sr., Mary Dale Guillory, Lessie Celestine, Janice Taylor Stout, Clarence 'Nicky' Miller, Lee Arnold Prather Jr., Elta Boone, Abram Louis Thomas Sr., Ena Mae LaFleur Bertrand, Jennifer Lynn Guillory, Lynn Veillon Hatler, Glenda 'Sue' Fontenot Smith, Amanda Nicole Fontenot, Jenene McManus Smith, Craig Neal Miller, Marlene Frey Devillier.

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

V. PERSON TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz addressed the council. He stated, "Thank you Mr. Chairman. I am here to give you all some information regarding where we stand, the Sheriff's Office with the new Trustee Dorm, I am really impressed with it. I don't know if you have been to see it but Jessie you all did a great job with it. I am happy that we can at least put 68 inmates in there and that is going to save Parish Government a lot of money. A couple of things I wanted to mention to you regarding inmates and the state inmate issue. Jessie and I have been discussing for a while and I think that we are coming close to settling our, it is not an argument, it is just a disagreement on some of the things that have come up. I want you all to know that I am committed fully to staffing a new trustee dorm. I appreciate that effort that you all put in, it is really a nice, nice facility. I am looking forward to moving in hopefully in early January. We have to get the Fire Marshall if you all have not done it already and I think the Board of Health needs to come in. The Department of Corrections already came by and we toured it and she was impressed. It is going to be a total Male Dorm. We are not going to have any Female Corrections Officers working in there because it is an open dorm setting. It is not going to be a problem for us. I have to hire 8 additional Correction Officers which is not a problem, we have the money in the budget and I am looking forward to really getting this thing going. The cost of 8 new Correction Officers is right under \$500,000.00. It is expensive with related benefits and salaries, again my department budget is sound and financially able to handle the hiring of these people so don't let that concern you because it does not concern me at all, we are ready. An update for you on the State Inmate Food Reimbursement, Mr. Bellard and I had a conversation regarding State Inmate Food Cost about two or three months ago. We are almost there, we have just a few little things to work out. My lawyer called me this afternoon and spoke to Lance, your attorney."

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "Correct."

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz continued to state, "I think that we are just about there. We get \$26.38 a day per inmate, for State Inmates. I want to help Parish Government and I understand that you are spending a lot of money every month to house Inmates in other parishes. I hope you don't mind me saying but \$100,000.00 a month is a lot of money for Parish Government to be spending on inmates in other parish jails. This facility, the Trustee Dorm is going to be a big, big help to that. We are looking forward to it. I have agreed to pay whatever the cost is to Parish Government once we know what that cost truly is. I spoke to my Financial Officer and she says and I think that Jessie is aware of it, we are going to get a Faxed Sheet showing my Financial Officer what it actually cost to feed the State Inmates. We know Parish Government have to feed our local inmates but when it comes to State Inmates it is a different ball game. So there is a different cost associated and I understand and respect that. I certainly want to help Parish Government get that done, hopefully we can come to an agreement before December, I think that will be workable. Parish Government is going to provide us with some Financial Documentation that we requested. My Financial Officer said because I am disbursing

money from my budget, which I understand is what she wants me to do, so in order to show our Auditors how much money we are paying Parish Government to help feed the State Inmates she needs something in writing to show the cost, so that is what we are going to be working on together. I look forward to working with Parish Government to properly calculate the variable cost on the Jail Expenses. Let me tell you something, you are going to be hearing some things from these papers here about the cost of inmates, not just in St. Landry Parish, this is an issue throughout the state. I keep state inmates that are from St. Landry Parish and have family in St. Landry Parish. You may ask why do I do that. Why do I keep inmate, state inmates from St. Landry Parish? There are a few reasons for that. The first one is: Many of the State Inmates are from St. Landry Parish. Their family don't have the means to be able to travel to Angola or to Richmond or to Richland Parish Jail or any other facility that is far away, they just don't have the means to do that. Some of the inmate families are elderly and they can't take that long trip. So we try and keep our local state inmates that were born and raised here, that live here and have family here in our jail. State inmates make up our inmate road crew, not so much anymore, I think you have a full crew on inmate road crews. We did it one time and some of them get a little greedy and want to smuggle something into the jail so we had to reign them in. They clean grave yards, they paint and clean public school buildings and they work on Litter Abatement Crews and do almost anything else for Non-Profit Organizations. State Inmates provide Janitorial Services, Mechanical Services and Lawn Care for our Public Safety and Complex Grounds. The State Inmates provide assistance at our Parish Wide TRIAD Program, Elderly Programs and they serve food and they assist our cooks. The State Inmates keep our department units and our boats and other safety equipment clean and ready for the next assignment. I cannot take local pre-trial inmates that have not been adjudicated in court yet and put them on work crews, I can't do it. If I did not have state inmates to help us do the things that we need to do for the Public and for us and for you, government services we could not do it. I am thankful that the Trustee Dorm is going to work well. It is going to be able to house those folks that need the work and they are learning a trade and the families will have their loved ones here close by. Why do I have so many inmates in our jail? That is the question that I want you all to hear the answer to. The Criminal Justice Procedure in Louisiana consist of Parish Pre-Trial Detainees that don't make bond. If they can't make bond or the Judge won't let them make bond they are staying in jail and they are a burden on the Tax Payers. Once they are convicted if they are convicted of a Felony or plead guilty to a Felony then what happens to them, they become a State Inmate. A State Inmate at that time is in our jail and you know how long it takes for the State Department of Corrections to come and get these people out of our jail, months. What happens is we have a back log and once we get a Felony Conviction or a Plea to Guilty we contact the Department of Corrections. I never ever, ever, call the Department of Corrections and ask them to send me State Inmates, I can't do it. I can't do it because we don't have the room to put them. We have enough locals in our jail and state inmates I don't have to call the Department of Corrections. The money that we make off of that, the \$26.38 a day per inmate and Parish Government has an expense in that. I have been shown what our cost is for State Inmates and again I am not here to complain I am here to tell you that I am willing to work with Parish Government, you all, to help keep that cost down as much as we can. There is a very slow and tedious process because of severe overcrowding of State Corrections Institutions. I told you that the State Department of Corrections doesn't respond fast enough for me, as soon as we get a convictions on a State Inmate and he is not from here he needs to go, he or she. Because the state is overcrowded they will not process that inmate to a State Facility. If you hear people say why he don't get rid of these state inmates, I am trying and I can't. Louisiana Sheriffs are constitutionally and legally required to make all decisions regarding the Operations of the Parish Jails including maintaining the inmate capacity. I am restricted by the Fire Marshall to have so many. If the Fire Marshall come down tomorrow and says you are 40 people over, guess what I have to do, I have to a home for 40 inmates and that is not easy to do. They have kind and we have been trying to maintain the right number. There are reasons why we are overcrowded and I am fixing to get to the last part here to tell you about that. Contributions to jail overcrowding and why do we have jail overcrowding? You know how many municipalities we have in this parish, we have 12. Each Chief of Police in the parish when they make a criminal case and make an arrest where are they bringing that inmate? My Jail. I can't turn them down, I would not if I had the right to but since they are charging them with State Charges the Sheriff have to take in the inmates. The second

thing, once an inmate is found guilty or pleads to a felony he or she becomes a State Inmate. As I mentioned earlier the state does not come promptly enough to pick them up and they stay here 3 or 4 months. I have to instruct our Warden to call the State again and inquire on who they are talking to. I had to call the President of the Sheriff's Association once last year and ask him to talk to the Governor's Office, a Governor's Appointee to the Department of Corrections asking him to step on somebody's toes because this process is taking too long, we are suffering down here, you are paying the bill. He did and it did not help because we go no relief, no immediate relief. The third thing is this: The Parish Criminal Trial Docket, for those of you that are not familiar with that one, anytime someone is arrested and they make bond or they don't make bond they have a case filed and the District Attorney have to take each case and present it to the court. A lot of times there are delays for legal and other various reasons. I can tell you right now I don't like it. I have probably three people in my parish jail that are not the prime suspect in a major drive by shooting and they have been in jail 4 or 5 years and they are just someone that was in the car. I spoke to the District Attorney about seeing if we can take these cases and get them to a plea, bring them forward and give them credit for time served and get them down to plea so they can go home to their families. They can't bond out of jail because they don't have the money and they are not the primary suspect in this major crime although they were in the vehicle they did not have the gun and they did not fire it so we are working on that and he was real receptive to that idea, the District Attorney. The last thing is this: Our parish jail is too small. When it was built in the late 1979 and early 1980's it was too small then and it is too small now. I don't have an answer for that and I don't think anybody does except more money and we can't pour more money into a new jail. I am thankful for the 60 - 70 bed facility that we have coming in but that is just a bandage right now. Crime has increased everywhere, it is not just St. Landry Parish or Louisiana it is everywhere you watch the news. Thanks to members of the Parish Government staff that we are working together and that is what I want. I am not here to fight, I am here to work with you and see what we can do to handle this problem. It is going to get worst, not better, it is just getting worst. Do anyone have any questions?"

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "Thank you very much Sheriff. Are there any questions form any councilmembers?"

Councilman Ernest Blanchard questioned, "Did you all look into the Ankle Program?"

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, "Yes Sir we do have people on Ankle Monitors. It works, it seems to work for the non-violent. People can't afford the \$5.00 a day. You are talking about \$5.00 a day times 30 days which is \$150.00 per month and some families just can't afford to pay that and I wish I had a program that would pay that. I was successful in a lawsuit against the Opioid Epidemic and we got \$180,000.00 for my office just last year but the restriction on spending that money is so restricted that I can't use it for the things that we really need to use it for and Jessie knows. I wish I could take that \$180,000.00 and apply it towards things like this."

Councilman Alvin Stelly questioned, "How many do we have in jail that are guilty and found guilty and they are still in our parish jail?"

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, "That are found guilty we probably have about 12 that the state have to pick up."

Councilman Alvin Stelly questioned, "We can't charge the state?"

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, "They are paying us. Once the inmate becomes adjudicated as guilty and they are a State Inmate and he is still here they start paying us the \$26.38 a day and that is what Jessie and I are working on now to see how to split that cost. It is a money maker but it is not a big money maker when you look at the cost of it. You have to feed them, you have to medicate them and you have to cloth them."

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry stated, "I just want to say thank you so very much for saying that you have a mind frame to want to work together. When you work together on a problem you can come up with a possible solution and I want to thank you for that. I

want to also thank you for considering when the inmates who possibly have elderly families or who cannot afford to go out of town I want to thank you for keeping that in mind and thank you for having that mid-frame to want to work together so we can possible come up with a positive solution.”

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, “I wish I could keep the number of phone calls that I get during the month from families that ask if I can transfer their brother or my son or my grandchild back. They are in Angola because of the overcrowding. When I first got here 18 years ago on today we could get inmates transferred very easily back into the parish because we did not have the overcrowding issue and the Fire Marshall did not pay much attention as he has now but thank you for that.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere questioned, “What is the Medical aspect of the Trustee Dorm? I know you all said no female workers and I know that we have nurses are they going to be taking care of those trustee’s? Also, what are the expense and how will we deal with that?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “The Sheriff and I are working that out. The Trustees already have access to the nurses. Medical will not be an issue.”

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, “It won’t be because the way we are going to have to handle that is if we have a male sick in the trustee dorm we will get the nurse to come over. We have a room that we can seclude the sick inmate and the nurse. She will not be exposed to the open dorm setting. That all have been provided for and thanks for the planning that Jessie did.”

Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated, “Sheriff, I would like to thank you for coming. You gave us a lot of information tonight and we really appreciate that.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “Thank you Sheriff for being here and working with our Parish President for this situation. It is a long going situation that is not just our parish as you indicated it is state wide. My question is this: Is there any process or any thought of moving to discuss with Legislature to see if we can change some laws or do somethings differently than what we have on the books currently to expedite what you are talking about some of these delays or some other avenues of discussion around the table with the Department of Corrections and the Sheriff’s Association or whomever else is working on that.”

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, “I presented an idea last year to our District Attorney and Ed Lopez who is in charge of the Defender Board and we all talked about this. If the Defenders would come and appear in court and the lawyers that are assigned to inmates would come and take care of their issues. Judge Meche had to get on the phone and call a well know defense lawyer at his office and inform him that he had a client in court today. If we can’t get a whole of the lawyer then they would have to postpone again and that is ridiculous. If we had more cooperation and we went the judges to know that we are frustrated. We have 4 judges and they each take 1 month to handle criminal cases. Every fourth month they are on criminal cases. We should have 2 judges handling criminal cases and make it faster. We need a faster docket turn over. I am just the Sheriff, I am not their boss but I suggested that we do something different because it is costing all of us.”

Councilman Ken Marks questioned, “You mentioned a \$100,000.00 a month for 12 months that is costing this parish. Is there any running total or daily total of what you have to deal with on a daily basis? Is that electronically able to be transferred to his department?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “We get it every morning.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “So that was already in place. I was not aware of that.”

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, “It is unfortunate that we live in this world and it is sad that we have to do what we do. You hear it every day in the news of the shootings, the

killings, the assaults and the rapes. You use to here that from far away and now it is right here in our back yard.”

Councilman Dexter Brown stated, “I want to commend you for being here tonight and I want to thank your deputies and your team for working for our residents of the parish. Thank you all for all that you all do and keep up the good work.”

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, “Thank you. It is getting harder and harder to hire young men and women to come into Law Enforcement because of the danger, it really is. We compete against Lafayette and Acadia and Point Coupee on salaries. I am probably the second highest paid in Acadiana for Deputies. Lafayette has a \$60,000,000.00 budget and mine is \$19,000,000.00 so I can’t compete with them. It makes it tough.”

Councilman Jody White stated, “I will say something that might end it all but Sheriff thank you for being here along with Mr. Meche. I know everything that you said is true after being in Law Enforcement myself for 25 years. I was a Warden for one year and I know that it is true. Once I became a part of Parish Government and I can see the expenditures that Parish Government actually pays toward the jail I am happy to see that we can get to the road where agreements are being made. I commend you and Mr. Bellard for trying to make this happen to get everybody in a better position.”

Sheriff Bobby Guidroz stated, “He is faced with the Constitutionally Mandated Expenses. He has to find it somewhere or the Clerk or the Sheriff or the District Attorney have to say you can’t pay it, okay. We try to pick up that slack as much as we can but a lot of times these smaller departments can’t do it.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Thank you Sheriff.”

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Jody White to approve **the Regular Meeting Minutes from October 16th, 2024** as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

VII. PARISH PRESIDENT REPORT:

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “On the Parish President’s Report we don’t have much to talk about other than the Sheriff talking about the Mandated Expenses and I gave you all a copy of the Mandated Expenses. I don’t think that we ever received this before and with all of the talks and negotiations it made us look at more stuff. So you all have a copy to review. It is just backing up everything that we said before. At the end of the day regardless of what people think or say those inmates across the street and the 27 JDC has to be funded before anything else and that is how the law is written. We did make the laws and we did not pass it but we have to follow it and it is a big expense that nobody can help. This year along we will be close to \$700,000.00 over budgeted on inmates. The Coroner’s Office is about \$275,000.00 over budgeted and nobody can predict who is getting arrested and nobody can predict who is dying and nobody can predict who needs CEC or OPC’s. There are a lot of things that are a normal citizen just does not know. It is a cost that we have to bear. I am going to have the budget ready in the next two weeks and I will send a copy to everybody so everybody can have it and we can sit at the table and look at it and see how we are going to make everything work for 2025.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Mr. Bellard, I got the e-mail from Ms. Sherell in reference to effective immediately the only person who can do any filing on your ordinance or your resolutions has to go through your Finance Department first.”

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

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “The Home Rule Charter states in item 2-15 that she is responsible. What are we doing? Are we going to change the way that it is being done?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "If anybody goes upstairs in room 206 and tries to file something and charge it to the Parish Government they will be denied unless it comes from Finance."

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "She will have to bring it to Finance is what you are saying?"

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "Correct."

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "Mr. Duplechain is that the right procedure that we are talking if the Home Rule Charter says that she is responsible?"

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, "The Home Rule Charter states that all enacted ordinances have to be recorded by the clerk. Recording will have to be paid so you all will have to come to an agreement on that.

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "It does not say that it has to be recorded in the Clerk of Court. It has to be recorded. She is the official record keeper of these ordinances and resolutions. It was an ordinance by the council that said to go and record it at the Clerk of Court which is an extreme expense. This year alone between Publications and recording fees we spent \$69,000.00.

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, "Are we doing it properly is what I am asking?"

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "I would say that you don't have to file your ordinances and your resolutions in the Clerk of Court's Office. It is \$110.00 every time you walk in there with one piece of paper. It is just ridiculous and I don't think the law requires us to record it in the Clerk of Court. The Clerk and the Council are the official keepers of those records. Where you all put them and how you all store them is up to you all. I am just saying that \$69,000.00 of publications and recording fees is ridiculous, that is all."

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "In other words she was not liable for them she can put them in a file and keep her own file here in the council chambers."

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "We always handle them like that before but the council passed an ordinance before I came back and said it had to be recorded in the Clerk of Court so she is just following what the ordinance called for and that is all."

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "Do you want to un-do that ordinance or make a change in the ordinance?"

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "Only if you all want to. All I am saying is that she needs to go to the Finance Department so they can go upstairs with her to sign off on doing it. It is not about who is doing it or why it is about making sure that the finance team gets the invoice to make sure that we pay the bill that is all."

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, "The Clerk of Court does not give us Cart-Blanch Card. We just tore down a building for him am I correct? I don't think it was just on a hand-shake."

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "We had an Intergovernmental Agreement with him to do that so we did it legally. Again I am not sure how the statute reads for him whether he can do that or not, I am not sure."

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, "I think that we need to look at it. I understand that she was turned down the other day because there was a balance. She is used to doing it that way and that is why I am asking now that we are looking at trying to change the situation."

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, "Again this year is a unique situation with the budget being over. I am looking at every line item that I can cut \$10,000.00 - \$15,000.00 from. We as a government cannot call the sheriff and say sheriff you can't ship that inmate out. We have to make sure that the place is safe across the street and the same thing with the Coroner's Office. I can't tell the Coroner that you cannot do an autopsy. They have to do their job and we have to do ours and we have to make sure that we have the resources available. Some of the things that we don't

need to do and this I think is one of them but if the law says that we have to do it then we have to do it.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “That is why I think you and Mr. Duplechain should get together with the Clerk of Court and see what we can come up with. The person in charge of it brought it to my attention and I saw the e-mail.”

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Dexter Brown to accept the Parish President’s Report.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

***Items passed through committee.**

1. **Vote on whether or not to approve the application for review of the Industrial Tax Exemption Program (ITEP) application submitted by Noble Plastics, LLC.**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Ken Marks to approve the application for review of the Industrial Tax Exemption Program (ITEP) application submitted by Noble Plastics, LLC.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

2. **Authorize the Final Approval of the Citizen Participation Plan for the LCDBG Clearance Program Application.**

A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to authorize the final Approval of the Citizen Participation Plan for the LCDBG Clearance Program Application.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

3. **Authorize the Final 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.**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Alvin Stelly to authorize the Final 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, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

4. **Authorize the Final Construction Review and Approval Request for Portion of Jackie Drive located in Country Ridge Estates (North) and Final Subdivision Plat Review MGA Project S#566 (19875).**

A motion was made by Councilman Ken Marks, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to authorize the Final Construction Review and Approval Request for Portion of Jackie Drive located in Country Ridge Estates (North) and Final Subdivision Plat Review MGA Project S#566 (19875).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.
NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

5. Vote to re-appoint Michael Meche, Ted Miller, Teddy Stelly, Brady Chautin, and James Keith Richard for five appointments to Ward 3 Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 for a four- year term. (12-21-2024 - 12-21-2028)

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to re-appoint Michael Meche, Ted Miller, Teddy Stelly, Brady Chautin, and James Keith Richard for five appointments to Ward 3 Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 for a four- year term. (12-21-2024 - 12-21-2028).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.
NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

6. Vote to appoint five appointments to St. Landry Parish Economic Development (SLED) for a three- year term. (01-01-2025 – 01-01-2028). Applicants are: Toni Effingger, Thurman Johnson, Perry Fontenot, Devin McKnight, Donald Dejean, and Jessica Vondenstien.

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to appoint: Toni Effingger, Thurman Johnson, Perry Fontenot, Devin McKnight and Donald Dejean to the St. Landry Parish Economic Development (SLED) for a three- year term. (01-01-2025 – 01-01-2028).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.
NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

The votes were as follows:

<i>Councilman Jody White</i>	Toni Effingger	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Jessica Vondenstien
<i>Councilwoman Nancy Carriere</i>	Toni Effingger	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean
<i>Councilman Faltery Jolivette</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Councilwoman Mildred Thierry</i>	Toni Effingger	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean
<i>Councilman Harold Taylor</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Councilman Ken Marks</i>	Toni Effingger	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean	Jessica Vondenstien
<i>Councilman Alvin Stelly</i>	Toni Effingger	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean
<i>Councilwoman Vivian Olivier</i>	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean	Jessica Vondenstien
<i>Chairman Wayne Ardoin</i>	Toni Effingger	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean	Jessica Vondenstien
<i>Councilman Dexter Brown</i>	Toni Effingger	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean
<i>Councilman Timmy Lejeune</i>	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean	Jessica Vondenstien
<i>Councilman Jimmie Edwards</i>	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean	Jessica Vondenstien
<i>Councilman Ernest Blanchard</i>	Thurman Johnson	Perry Fontenot	Devin McKnight	Donald Dejean	Jessica Vondenstien

Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated, “We have seven votes each for Toni Effingger and Jessica Vondenstien. We have a tie for Toni Effingger and Jessica Vondenstien.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I voted. You have two councilmembers that are not present and that is why you have the numbers that you have. That is the situation. What do you do on this matter Mr. Duplechain? Do we have to re-vote at a later date? I think that is the way it goes.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “I think you are going to have to vote again.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Vote again on the same people?”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “Right.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Who are we eliminating?”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “The two with a tie vote are the ones that we should have to vote for.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Give us the two applicants with the tie vote.”

Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated, “Toni Effingger and Jessica Vondenstien.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “The others are already on so we need to re-vote on those two. Do we need any written ballots or will we just call out the names.”

Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated, “Call them out.”

Tie breaker vote were as follows:

<i>Councilman Jody White</i>	Toni Effingger
<i>Councilwoman Nancy Carriere</i>	Toni Effingger
<i>Councilman Faltery Jolivette</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Councilwoman Mildred Thierry</i>	Toni Effingger
<i>Councilman Harold Taylor</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Councilman Ken Marks</i>	Toni Effingger
<i>Councilman Alvin Stelly</i>	Toni Effingger
<i>Councilwoman Vivian Olivier</i>	Toni Effingger
<i>Chairman Wayne Ardoin</i>	Toni Effingger
<i>Councilman Dexter Brown</i>	Toni Effingger
<i>Councilman Timmy Lejeune</i>	Jessica Vondenstien
<i>Councilman Jimmie Edwards</i>	Jessica Vondenstien
<i>Councilman Ernest Blanchard</i>	Jessica Vondenstien

7. **Vote to re-appoint Katherine Pickett and appoint Erica Danbruski for two appointments to Fire District No. 7 for a one-year and a two- year term. (11-18-2024- 11-18-2025) and (11-18-2024 – 11-18-2026).**

A motion was made by Councilman Alvin Stelly, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to re-appoint Katherine Pickett and appoint Erica Danbruski for two appointments to Fire District No. 7 for a one-year and a two-year term. (11-18-2024 - 11-18-2025) and (11-18-2024 – 11-18-2026).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

8. **Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment to Fire District No. 3 for a four-year term. (01-01-2025 – 01-01-2029).**

A motion was made by Councilman Alvin Stelly, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment to Fire District No. 3 for a four-year term. (01-01-2025 – 01-01-2029).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

9. **Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for two appointments to Fire District No. 5 for a two-year term. (01-01-2025 – 01-01-2027).**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for two appointments to Fire District No. 5 for a two-year term. (01-01-2025 – 01-01-2027).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

10. Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for three appointments to Fire District No. 6 for a two-year term. (01-18-2025 – 01-18-2027).

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Ken Marks to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for three appointments to Fire District No. 6 for a two- year term. (01-18-2025 – 01-18-2027).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

11. Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment to St. Landry Agricultural Arena Authority for a five- year term. (01-18-2025 – 01-18-2030).

A motion was made by Councilman Ken Marks, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment to St. Landry Agricultural Arena Authority for a five- year term. (01-18-2025 – 01-18-2030).

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor and Alvin Stelly. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

IX. ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024- 045

(Sponsored By: Councilman Timmy Lejeune)

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-046

(Sponsored By: Councilwoman Mildred Thierry)

AN ORDINANCE TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY TO AN ADJOINING LANDOWNER OF THE ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS PER LA R.S. 47:2202 (B)

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-047

(Sponsored By: Councilman Jimmie Edwards)

AN AMENDING ORDINANCE OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR WIND FARM PROJECTS LOCATED IN THE PARISH AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “The two that we amended the agenda to add are Ordinance No. 2024-048.

Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated, “I will take that one Mr. Wayne.”

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-048

(Sponsored By: Councilman Alvin Stelly)

AN ORDINANCE FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT TO ACQUIRE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY IN ST. LANDRY PARISH FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE BY CASH SALE

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “The next ordinance is Ordinance No. 2024-049. Ordinance No. 2024-048 was the property with the Opelousas Life Church. Is that the one that you will take Mr. Lejeune?”

Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated, “I am sorry. I took the wrong one.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I will need a Sponsor for Ordinance 2024-048.”

Councilman Alvin Stelly stated, “I will take that ordinance.”

Council Clerk Sherell Jordan stated, “For the record Mr. Alvin is taking Ordinance 2024-048 and Mr. Timmy is taking Ordinance 2024-049.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Yes Ma’am. Ordinance 2024-049 is the Fakouri Enterprise Property.”

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-049
(Sponsored By: Councilman Timmy Lejeune)

AN ORDINANCE FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT TO ACQUIRE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY IN ST. LANDRY PARISH FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE BY CASH SALE

X. ORDINANCES TO BE ADOPTED:

A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to Adopt Ordinance 2024-040.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-040
(Sponsored By: Councilman Ernest Blanchard)

AN ORDINANCE TO ABOLISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1 IN ST. LANDRY PARISH AND TO REPEAL SECTION 20-27, SECTION 20-28, AND SECTION 20-29 IN CHAPTER 20 OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO ABOLISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1

WHEREAS , Section 20-27, Section 20-28, and Section 20-29 in the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances created Hospital Service District No. 1, which is located in that part of the City of Eunice which is inside St. Landry Parish.

WHEREAS, with the authority granted to parish governing authorities by Article VI, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and La. R.S. 33 1415, Hospital Service District No 1 in St. Landry Parish shall be abolished and the St. Landry Parish Council shall repeal Section 20-27, Section 20-28, and Section 20-29 in the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances in order to abolish Hospital Service District No. 1, which is located in that part of the City of Eunice which is inside St. Landry Parish.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that Section 20-27, Section 20-28, and Section 20-29 in Chapter 20 in the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinance are hereby repealed and Hospital Service District No. 1 in St. Landry Parish is hereby abolished.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that the ownership and title to the following contiguous parcels of immovable property owned by Hospital Service District No. 1 shall hereby be conveyed, transferred, and vested in St. Landry Parish Government, to-wit:

1. 11.896 acres in Section 29, Township 6 South (T-6-S), Range 1 East (R-1-E), St. Landry parish, Louisiana.
2. One (1) Lot measuring 435 feet by 300 feet in the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 30, Township 6 South (T-6-S), Range 1 east (R-1-E), St. Landry parish, Louisiana.

3. **One (1) Lot containing 0.822 of an acre, and bounded, now or formerly, North by Fruge Street; South formerly by Hospital Service District No. 1, and now by St. Landry Parish Government; East by an unnamed street; and West by Moosa Boulevard. Said parcel of land being in Section 30, Township 6 South (T-6-S), Range 1 East (R-1-E), St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.**
4. **One strip of property measuring 10 feet by 261 feet, and said property is an abandoned alley, in St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.**

- **A motion was made by Councilman Alvin Stelly, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to Adopt Ordinance 2024-041.
On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. NAYS: None.
ABSENT: Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry and Harold Taylor. ABSTAINED: None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-041
(Sponsored By: Councilman Alvin Stelly)**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2024-024 WHICH WAS ENACTED BY THE ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL ON JULY 17, 2024, AND WHICH IS AN ORDINANCE THAT REQUIRES ALL APPLICANTS WHO ARE APPLYING TO BE APPOINTED TO A BOARD OR COMMISSION TO BE INTERVIEWED BY THE ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL AT A ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING PRIOR TO THE PARISH COUNCIL MAKING THE APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OR COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Council appoints individuals to Boards and Commissions in St. Landry Parish.

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Council must determine the qualifications and ability of the applicants to fulfill the requirements, responsibilities, and duties of the position on the Board or Commission that they are applying for.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that Ordinance 2024-024, which was enacted by the St. Landry Parish council on July 17, 2024, shall be amended and shall now read as follows:

An applicant for an appointment to a Board or Commission in St. Landry Parish who is applying for the first time for an appointment must go before the St. Landry Parish Council for an interview at a St. Landry Parish Council meeting in order to be eligible for the appointment to the Board or Commission that they are applying for.

- **A motion was made by Councilwoman Nancy Carriere, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to Adopt Ordinance 2024-042.
On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. NAYS: None.
ABSENT: Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry and Harold Taylor. ABSTAINED: None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-042
(Sponsored By: Councilwoman Nancy Carriere)**

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, 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	0641431862 130 GASPARD ST GASTON & MARY THOMAS WOODS 1 LOT (50X84) LEFT N JOHNSON S WOOD E GUILLORY W GASPARD ST 602311 (O-12-651) 939820 (A-41-349) BID START AT \$2,650.00	
2	8102261300 910 W LANDRY STREET HENRY MICHAEL MICHEL 1 LOT (43X87.2) N MANUEL S LANDRY ST E MANUEL W GATH FRONTING 43' ON LANDRY ST 837655 (DON 64-335) 917828 (B-40-863) (LOT 6 BLK 9 W LANDRY ST BID START AT \$12,825.00	
3	8102857500 923 JEFFERSON ST MARY OTHERIE SAM 1 LOT 3 (48X149.4) BLK 1 ANDRUS SUB DIV 565435-B (M-18-558) 999533 BID START AT \$5,500.00	
4	0100323500B S COURT ST BORDELON CHEVROLET INC 1 LOT N/2 LOT 1-A (440.34 SQ FT) OPELOUSAS ORIGINAL TOWN N LOT 2-A S LOT 1 & LOT 2 E BORDELON & LOT 1 W BORDELON NO FRONTING 1005123	
5	0100329000B S COURT ST BORDELON CHEVROLET INC 1 LOT 2-A (35.3X33) BLK 1 OF ORIGINAL TOWN OF OPELOUSAS N E W BORDELON S BOAGNI (1176 SQ FT) 1005123 (PRICE INCLUDES 0100323500A)	
6	8105298100 JOSEPH LANDRY ETALS 1 LOT 10 (90X178.99) VIDRINE HIGHLAND HEIGHTS SUBDIV IN SEC 51 T-6S R-4E 931572 (R-40-88) * *	
7	8139490029 ANNOINTING DR JANICE DAIGLE/KELVIN JONES 1 LOT 61 (120.47X153.49) (.424 AC) VIDRINE HIGHLAND HEIGHTS SUBDIV IN SEC 51 T-6S R-4E 969353 (M-42-590) 987085 (G-43-679)	

8	8401164000	CORY SOILEAU
	1 LOT (0.44 AC) IN NE/4 OF NE/4 SEC 36 T-3S R-5E 1054433 1142342	
9	0400082605	LANDRUM FREEDY DRUMMER ETALS
	1 LOT (50X100) ON LANDRUM ST & SECOND ST IN BLK 54 ORIGINAL TOWN OF MELVILLE 789692 (DON-57-346) 1216216	
10	8123679329	LAURENT ST FRANK TAYLOR
	1 LOT 14 (56X106.9) N BOAGNI S LAURENT ST E MELANCON W BOAGNI FRONTING 56' ON LAURENT ST 595431-A (F-20-309) 947218 (J-41-97)	
11	0101052500	ST CYR ST EVELINA EAGLIN
	2 LOTS 1 2 (100X 144.7 NORTH & 152.4 SOUTH) BLK 3 ST CYR ADD 100' ON ST CYR AVE	
12	0100058000	619 JOSEPH ST MARVA BROUSSARD ALLISON
	1 LOT 46 (50X135) BLK 1 DANIEL & BERTHEAUD ADD 1015901	
13	8101062340	J C DONATTO SUB VIVIAN BROWN

- A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Ernest Blanchard to Adopt Ordinance 2024-043.**
On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.
NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivet and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-043
(Sponsored By: Councilwoman Mildred Thierry)

AN ORDINANCE TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY TO AN ADJOINING LANDOWNER OF THE ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS PER LA R.S. 47:2202 (B)

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute 47:2202 B. states that the governing authority of each political subdivision may allow an adjoining landowner to purchase adjudicated property for any price set by the governing authority without public bidding at a public meeting of the governing authority; provided, that the governing authority determines that the adjoining landowner has maintained the adjudicated property for a period of one year prior to the sale. Such a sale shall be deemed a public sale.

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Government has determined that PAPA KPS LLC is the adjoining landowner of adjudicated property and has maintained said adjudicated property for a period of one year or more, and thus, PAPA KPS LLC may purchase the adjudicated property through a public sale without public bidding.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that the following adjudicated property shall be sold by public sale to PAPA KPS LLC, an

adjoining land owner to the adjudicated property who maintained said adjudicated property for one year or more, without public bidding, for a price set by St. Landry Parish Government, as per LA R.S. 47:2202 B., and said adjudicated property is described as follows:

1 LOT BEING NORTH 50' OF LOTS 3A (50X200) CLEVELAND J FRUGE SUB DIV 595805 (F-20-778)

This adjudicated property bearing parcel number 0600936500 in the St. Landry Parish land records.

• A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilman Ernest Blanchard to Adopt **Ordinance 2024-044**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. ABSENT: Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. ABSTAINED: None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-044

(Sponsored By: Councilman Jimmie Edwards)

AN ORDINANCE TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY TO AN ADJOINING LANDOWNER OF THE ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS PER LA R.S. 47:2202 (B)

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute 47:2202 B. states that the governing authority of each political subdivision may allow an adjoining landowner to purchase adjudicated property for any price set by the governing authority without public bidding at a public meeting of the governing authority; provided, that the governing authority determines that the adjoining landowner has maintained the adjudicated property for a period of one year prior to the sale. Such a sale shall be deemed a public sale.

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Government has determined that PDQ II LLC is the adjoining landowner of adjudicated property and has maintained said adjudicated property for a period of one year or more, and thus, PDQ II LLC may purchase the adjudicated property through a public sale without public bidding.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that the following adjudicated property shall be sold by public sale to PDQ II LLC, an adjoining land owner to the adjudicated property who maintained said adjudicated property for one year or more, without public bidding, for a price set by St. Landry Parish Government, as per LA R.S. 47:2202 B., and said adjudicated property is described as follows:

1 LOT (45x100) BLK 27 OPELOUSAS ORIGINAL TOWN N BELLEVUE ST S GREEN E CASCIO W FOURNIER 198391 892087 (TAX 13-852)

This adjudicated property bearing parcel number 8100649973 in the St. Landry Parish land records.

XI. RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED:

A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to adopt **Resolution 027-2024**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. ABSENT: Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. ABSTAINED: None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 027-2024

A RESOLUTION GIVING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL TO THE ISSUANCE OF TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) OF REVENUE NOTES, PARISH OF ST.

LANDRY, STATE OF LOUISIANA; PROVIDING CERTAIN TERMS OF SAID BONDS; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL; AND PROVIDING FOR MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Landry Parish Council, State of Louisiana (the "**Governing Authority**"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Landry (the "**Parish**"), State of Louisiana, that:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Consolidated Local Government Indebtedness Act, Title 39, Subtitle II, Chapter 4, and particularly 39:1430 (Revenue Bonds) (the "**Act**") of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other applicable constitutional and statutory authority, it is now the desire of the Issuer to adopt this Resolution in order to provide for the issuance of not exceeding Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) of St. Landry Parish Revenue Notes (the "**Bonds**"), in one or more series, for the purposes of the Project as set forth herein;

WHEREAS, the Bonds will be secured by the ad valorem taxes and other revenues received and accruing in the Parish Roads and Bridges Fund ("**Roads and Bridges Fund 21**") and Road District 1 Fund ("**Road District 1 Fund 42**") (collectively, the "**Pledged Revenues**") the Pledged Revenues which are authorized to be used for the purposes of the Project as set forth herein;

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority desires to grant preliminary approval for the issuance of the Bonds and to make a formal application to the Louisiana State Bond Commission for approval to issue the Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Authority as follows:

1. **Preliminary Approval of Bonds**. Preliminary approval is hereby given to the issuance of not exceeding \$2,500,000 aggregate principal amount of St. Landry Parish Revenue Notes, State of Louisiana, to be issued in one or more series, to provide funds for repairing, maintaining, and improving public roads and bridges, including acquisition, maintenance and/or operation of equipment and materials for said purpose (the "**Project**") within the area designated by the Parish as "District 9 of Road District 1" (the "**District**") and (ii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds as further described in Section 2 hereof.
2. **Security**. The Bonds will be payable from and secured by an irrevocable pledge and dedication of the ad valorem tax and other revenues received and accruing in the Roads and Bridges Fund 21 and Road District 1 Fund 42 and shall bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed six percent (6%) per annum, to be sold at the prices and in the manner to be determined by subsequent proceedings of this Governing Authority, and will mature over a period not exceeding (10) years from the date issuance, all in the manner provided by the Act.
3. **State Bond Commission Approval**. Application is hereby formally made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for its consent and authority to issue and sell the aforesaid Bonds, and a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of the Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application. By virtue of the applicant/issuer's application for, acceptance, and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.", adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other product(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby. For purposes of meeting the requirements of the May 11, 2009, memorandum of the Director of the State Bond Commission to all bond counsel, any proceedings of the Issuer relating to the Bonds that refers to a principal amount or interest rate of the Bond shall be deemed to include the words "not to exceed" or "not exceeding" whether so stated or not, and any reference to a final maturity date or term contained herein shall be deemed to include the words "to mature on or before" whether so stated or not.
4. **Bond Counsel**. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special bond counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and accordingly,

LaFleur & Laborde, namely Eric LaFleur, Ville Platte, Lafayette, New Orleans, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana is hereby employed as Bond Counsel to do and perform comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work with respect to the issuance and sale of the Bonds ("**Bond Counsel**"). Bond Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, shall counsel and advise this Governing Authority as to the issuance and sale the Bond and shall furnish its opinion covering the legality of the issuance of the Bonds. The fee of Bond Counsel shall be fixed at a sum not exceeding the maximum fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee schedule for comprehensive, legal and coordinate professional work in the issuance of revenue bonds and based on the amount of bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses, said fees to be contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of said Bonds. A certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his written approval of the employment and of the fees described herein, and the Clerk is hereby empowered and directed to issue payment or to authorize payment Bond Counsel upon completion of the work and under the conditions specified herein.

5. **Municipal Advisor**. The employment of Sisung Securities Corporation, Metairie, Louisiana as Municipal Advisor ("**Municipal Advisor**") pursuant to a Municipal Advisor Engagement Letter dated October 17, 2024 is hereby ratified and confirmed..
6. **Declaration of Official Intent**. Prior to the delivery of the Bonds, the Parish anticipates that it or the District may pay a portion of the costs of the Project from their General Fund and other available funds. Upon the issuance of the Bonds, the Parish reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditures of other available funds from a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds. Any such allocation of proceeds of the Bonds for reimbursement will be with respect to capital expenditures (as defined in Reg. 1.150-1(b)) and will be made upon the delivery of the Bonds and not later than one year after the later of (i) the date such expenditure was paid or (ii) the date on which the Project was placed in service. This Section is intended to be a declaration of official intent within the meaning of Reg. 1.150-2.
7. **Executive Officers**. The Chairman, the Parish President, and the Clerk of the Governing Authority are hereby authorized to do all things necessary, on the advice of Bond Counsel and Municipal Advisor, to effectuate and implement this Resolution, including the publication and recordation hereof as may be required by the Act.
8. **Purchase Agreement / Commitment Letter**. An Executive Officer of this Governing Authority is authorized to execute and deliver to the purchasers of the Bonds, a purchase agreement, commitment letter, or such other document evidencing the intent to purchase the Bonds as the case may be, if deemed necessary upon advice of Bond Counsel.
9. **Authority to Proceed**. This Governing Authority hereby authorizes and directs Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor to proceed with the preparation of all necessary and appropriate financing applications and documents and to file drafts of said applications and documents with the State Bond Commission in accordance with its Rules.
10. **Other Professionals**. Should it be necessary to engage other professionals, an Executive Officer shall be authorized to engage such professionals provided the contracts employing such professionals shall be promptly submitted to this Governing Authority.
11. **Electronic Signatures**. The Governing Authority consents and agrees to the execution of documents by electronic signature in accordance with the Louisiana Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (La. R.S. 9:2601, et. seq.), and electronically executed documents are deemed binding and legal on all parties to the extent allowed by the provisions of that act.
12. **Effective Date**. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption or at the earliest date allowed by law.

• **RESOLUTION 029-2024**

A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilman Alvin Stelly to adopt **Resolution 029-2024**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette, Harold Taylor and Vivian Olivier. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 029-2024

A RESOLUTION GIVING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000) REVENUE BONDS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES OF THE PARISH OF ST. LANDRY, STATE OF LOUISIANA; PROVIDING CERTAIN TERMS OF SAID BONDS; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE LOUISIANA STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL; AND PROVIDING FOR MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Landry Parish Council, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority (the "**Governing Authority**") of the Parish of St. Landry (the "**Parish**"), State of Louisiana, that:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Consolidated Local Government Indebtedness Act, Title 39, Subtitle II, Chapter 4, and particularly 39:1430 (Revenue Bonds) (the "**Act**") of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other applicable constitutional and statutory authority, it is now the desire of the Parish to adopt this Resolution to provide for the issuance of not exceeding Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) Revenue Bonds, in one or more series (the "**Bonds**"), for the purposes of the Project (as defined herein) as set forth herein;

WHEREAS, the Bonds, with respect to each series, will be secured by the ad valorem taxes and other revenues received and accruing in the Parish Roads and Bridges Fund and Road District 1 Fund (collectively, the "**Pledged Revenues**") which Pledged Revenues are authorized to be used for the purposes set forth herein;

WHEREAS, this Governing Authority desires to grant preliminary approval for the issuance of the Bonds and to make a formal application to the Louisiana State Bond Commission (the "**State Bond Commission**") for approval to issue the Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Governing Authority as follows:

1. **Preliminary Approval of Bonds**. Preliminary approval is hereby given to the issuance of the Bonds by the Parish, to provide funds for repairing, maintaining, and improving public roads and bridges, including acquisition, maintenance and/or operation of equipment and materials for said purpose (the "**Project**") within the area designated by the Parish as "**District 9 of Road District 1**" (the "**District**") and (ii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds.
2. **Security for the Bonds**. The Bonds will be payable from and secured by an irrevocable pledge and dedication of the Pledged Revenues and shall bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed six percent (6%) per annum, to be sold at the prices and in the manner to be determined by subsequent proceedings of this Governing Authority, and will mature over a period not exceeding eight (8) years from the date issuance, all in the manner provided by the Act.
3. **State Bond Commission Approval**. Application is hereby formally made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for its consent and authority to issue and sell the aforesaid Bonds, and a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application. Pursuant to the Parish's application for, acceptance, and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.", adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other product(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby. For purposes of meeting the requirements of the May 11, 2009, memorandum of the Director of the State Bond Commission to all bond counsel, any proceedings of

the Parish relating to the Bonds that refers to a principal amount or interest rate of the Bond shall be deemed to include the words "not to exceed" or "not exceeding" whether so stated or not, and any reference to a final maturity date or term contained herein shall be deemed to include the words "to mature on or before" whether so stated or not.

4. **Bond Counsel**. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special bond counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and accordingly, LaFleur & Laborde is hereby employed as Bond Counsel to do and perform comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work with respect to the issuance and sale of the Bonds ("**Bond Counsel**"). Bond Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale, and delivery of the Bonds, shall counsel and advise this Governing Authority as to the issuance and sale of the Bond, and shall furnish its opinion covering the legality of the issuance of the Bonds. The fee of Bond Counsel shall be fixed at a sum not exceeding the maximum fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee schedule for comprehensive, legal, and coordinated professional work in the issuance of revenue bonds and based on the number of bonds issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses, said fees to be contingent upon the issuance, sale, and delivery of said Bonds. A certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his written approval of the employment and of the fees described herein, and the Clerk is hereby empowered and directed to issue payment or to authorize payment Bond Counsel upon completion of the work and under the conditions specified herein.
5. **Municipal Advisor**. The employment of Sisung Securities Corporation, Metairie, Louisiana as Municipal Advisor ("**Municipal Advisor**") pursuant to a Municipal Advisor Engagement Letter dated October 17, 2024 is hereby ratified and confirmed.
6. **Declaration of Official Intent**. Before the delivery of the Bonds, the Parish anticipates that it or the District may pay a portion of the costs of the Project from their General Fund and other available funds. Upon the issuance of the Bonds, the Parish reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditures of other available funds from a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds. Any such allocation of proceeds of the Bonds for reimbursement will be with respect to capital expenditures (as defined in Reg. 1.150-1(b)) and will be made upon the delivery of the Bonds and not later than one year after the later of (i) the date such expenditure was paid or (ii) the date on which the Project was placed in service. This Section is intended to be a declaration of official intent within the meaning of Reg. 1.150-2.
7. **Executive Officers**. The Chairman, the Parish President, the Clerk, and/or any such other officer (individually or collectively, the "Executive Officers") of this Governing Authority are hereby authorized to do all things necessary, on the advice of Bond Counsel and Municipal Advisor, to effectuate and implement this Resolution, including the publication and recordation hereof as may be required by the Act.
8. **Purchase Agreement / Commitment Letter**. An Executive Officer of this Governing Authority is authorized to execute and deliver to the purchasers of the Bonds, a purchase agreement, commitment letter, or such other document evidencing the intent to purchase the Bonds as the case may be, if deemed necessary upon advice of Bond Counsel.
9. **Authority to Proceed**. This Governing Authority hereby authorizes and directs Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor to proceed with the preparation of all necessary and appropriate financing applications and documents and to file drafts of said applications and documents with the State Bond Commission in accordance with its Rules.
10. **Other Professionals**. Should it be necessary to engage other professionals, an Executive Officer shall be authorized to engage such professionals provided the contracts employing such professionals shall be promptly submitted to this Governing Authority.
11. **Electronic Signatures**. The Governing Authority consents and agrees to the execution of documents by electronic signature in accordance with the Louisiana Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (La. R.S. 9:2601, et. seq.), and electronically executed documents are deemed binding and legal on all parties to the extent allowed by the provisions of that act.
12. **Effective Date**. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption or at the earliest date allowed by law.

RESOLUTION 030-2024

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Ken Marks to adopt **Resolution 030-2024**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette, Harold Taylor and Vivian Olivier. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 030-2024

A resolution approving the holding of an election in Fire Protection District No. 3 of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, March 29, 2025, to authorize the renewal of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 3 of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Fire Protection District No. 3 of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on November 19, 2024, calling a special election in the District on Saturday, March 29, 2025, to authorize the renewal of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the District has requested that this Parish Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Parish Council to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 3 of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, this Parish Council hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Saturday, March 29, 2025, at which election there will be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)

Shall Fire Protection District No. 3 of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana (the "District"), continue to levy a special tax of 10.36 mills on all property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated \$2,422,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2026 and ending with the year 2035, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating the District's fire protection facilities, and paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes, provided that a portion of the Tax proceeds is required to be contributed to state and statewide retirement systems as provided in R.S. 11:82?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Parish Council does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

RESOLUTION 031-2024

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to adopt **Resolution 031-2024**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune and Jimmie Edwards. **NAYS:** None.

ABSENT: Faltery Jolivette, Harold Taylor, Vivian Olivier and Ernest Blanchard.

ABSTAINED: None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 031-2024

Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the State of Louisiana FY 2025 Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program.

WHEREAS, there are many dilapidated and potentially dangerous buildings and structures in St. Landry Parish.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. Landry Parish Council that the St. Landry Parish Government approves the project to demolish all structures listed in this resolution.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the St. Landry Parish Council that the St. Landry Parish Government shall be responsible for all legal fees that are incurred during the preparation and/or implementation of this program. Local funds will be used to pay all legal fees incurred by the St. Landry Parish Government.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the St. Landry Parish Council that the St. Landry Parish Government shall be responsible for all administrative costs associated with the implementation of this program; such costs will include, but not be limited to application preparation fees, audit fees, advertising and publication fees, local staff time, workshop expenses, and/or administrative consultant fees. Local funds will be used to pay all administrative costs incurred by the St. Landry Parish Government.

The following is a list of the dilapidated and potentially dangerous buildings and structures in St. Landry Parish.

PARCEL NUMBER	PROPERTY OWNER	ADDRESS
0104311600	DARIA DAVE	712 HWY 3043, OPELOUSAS, LA.
0106070000	JOSEPH AUZENNE	625 COUNTRY RIDGE RD, OPELOUSAS, LA
0104015000	DAVID SEBASTIEN	113 LOFTON STREET, OPELOUSAS LA.
0400353000	MIKEL WAYNE HAYES, ETALS	MELVILLE. LA.
0300536800	AGATHA BOXIE	903 BOXIE RD, ARNAUDVILLE, LA.
0300535000	MARIE EAGLIN TRAVIS	897 BOXIE RD, ARNAUDVILLE, LA.
0401049375	CYNTHIA C WILTZ	LOUISE ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0300536000	EUGENE BOXIE	783 BOXIE RD LOT A, ARNAUDVILLE, LA.
0103501000	PEARL WINFREY	825 HALPHEN ST, OPELOUSAS, LA.
0400374700	IRENE CHAMPAGNE	121 GUM STREET, MELVILLE, LA.
0400180600	ROBERT LAMARK	130 GUM STREET, MELVILLE, LA.
0400107700	VERNON SCOTT	425 WALNUT ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400027500	LUKE BOUDREAUX	448 WALNUT ST., MELVILLE, LA.

0400079000	JUANITA BROWN	548 GUM ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400277000	JACOB SOILEAU	218 FONTENOT ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400057000	CLINTON COLLINS	527 EMMA ZION ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400344500	IRENE VAUGHNS	727 LANDRUM ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400122500	BARBARA CASTLE	636 DODGE ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400367000	RUDOLPH WILLIAMS	1015 2 ND ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400163500	LEE ANDREW JOHNSON	732 BURTON ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400187000	CYNTHIA D. SEMIEN	720 BURTON ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400164000	CLYDE JONES, JR	229 ASH STREET, MELVILLE, LA.
0400018010	DEBBIE CLARK	306 CHURCH ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400099600	LAURA FONTENOT	26 GUM ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400085537	GEORGE MORGAN	104 TEXAS ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400165500	HARVEY/LILLIE JONES	540 LANDRUM ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400197800	GEORGIA MCINNIS	526 LANDRUM ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400325500	CARLTON STELLY	335 WALNUT ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400365150	LEONA LIZZIE WILLIAMS	626 PAYTON ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400375000	RUBY YOUNG	441 FRONT ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400197450A	CHARLES TERRELL	827 JACKSON LN, MELVILLE, LA.
0400000700	ERIC J. THIBODEAUX	1010 JACKSON LN, MELVILLE, LA.
0400232260	ANNASTASIA THOMAS	LANDRUM, MELVILLE, LA.
0400033150	PATRICK MCNEIL	426 THIRD ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400138875	VELMA DURESEAU HENDRIX	1705 BURTON ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400117000	SHIRLEY GOUDEAU	BURTON ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400319450	AL JOLSON SMITH	1218 SECOND ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400017050	DONNIE CHARLES	133 SECOND ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400055000	MRS. ROGERS CLARK	441 JONES ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400262005	CLARA PERRY	1226 SECOND ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400129500	DAVE HARDEN	1242 FIRST ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400038500	RUFUS BUTLER	1242 FIRST ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400194000	ODELIA LONZO	1126 1ST ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400364500	JOSEPH WILLIAMS	619 PAYTON ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400118000	VIRGINIA GOUDEAU	999 2 ND ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400353300	DANA CHANEY	318 HAVARD ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400356500	GERALD JACKSON	106 HAVARD ST, MELVILLE, LA.
0400107500	LEONARD GANSON	210 WALNUT ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400138500	ELIJAH HEATH	224 224 WALNUT ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400084005	JOHNNY LEE DUMES	316 WALNUT ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400235500	PEARL MOUILE	245 CHURCH ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400353000	MICKEL HAYNES	286 CHURCH ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400215900	ALVIN MARTIN	415 CHURCH ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400099010	KENNETH WASHINGTON	131 TEXAS ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400232267A	DEAN NAPOLI	201 CHURCH ST., MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN	WEBSTER REED	554 REGINA ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
UNKNOWN	WEBSTER REED	544 REGINA ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
UNKNOWN	WEBSTER REED	550 REGINA ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
0400800000	RONALD ARDOIN	208 SECOND ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
0400800000	RONALD ARDOIN	208 SIXTH ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
0401007000	DOTTI NEZAT	229 KROTZ ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
UNKNOWN	DOTTI NEZAT	329 PARK ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
0400863500	SIDNEY DREYFUS	333 PARK ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
0401034700	JOHN TERRELL	415 PARK ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
0400919510	GLENDA KELLEY	334 MORAN ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
0400919550	GLENDA KELLEY	131 RAILROAD., KROTZ SPRINGS, L.A.
0400919555	GLENDA KELLEY	111 KROTZ ST., KROTZ SPRINGS, LA.
0400919550	LISA MORAN	TRAILER BEHIND 131 RAILROAD (BURNT)
UNKNOWN		545 VINE ST, MELVILLE, LA.

0101419000		718 HALPHEN ST., OPELOUSAS, LA.
0100059500		813 HALPHEN ST., OPELOUSAS, LA.
0103456000		815 HALPHEN ST., OPELOUSAS, LA.
0100649999		817 HALPHEN ST., OPELOUSAS, LA.
0102109500		802 HIRAM ST., OPELOUSAS, LA.
UNKNOWN		106 FEDERAL RD., OPELOUSAS, LA.
0400232240	MICHAEL J BROWN	318 GUM ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0100945800	ALBERT THOMPSON JR	2010 EDWARDS ST., OPELOUSAS, LA.
0102336150	MICHAEL MORRIS	416 N OAK ST., OPELOUSAS, LA.
0400334000		120 HAVARD ST., MELVILLE LA.
0400224000		119 3 RD ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400120000		1234 PAR RD 4-227, MELVILLE, LA.
0400097800		1123 PAR RD 4-227, MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		VICTOR ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400268430		303 VICTOR ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400372500		515 OLLIE ST., MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		701 OLLIE ST., MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		156 TRESLE ST., MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		200 4 TH ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400291500		242 4TH ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400299500		118 3 RD ST., MELVILLE, LA.
010756000	ROSINA JONES	505 MARTEL OPELOUSAS, LA
0400323500		924 JACKSON LN, MELVILLE, LA.
0400085525		1037 PAR RD 4-227, MELVILLE, LA.
0400097800		1123 PAR RD 4-227, MELVILLE, LA.
0400081050		407 HAGEN ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400216500		405 HAGEN ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400011000A		122 3 RD ST., MELVILLE, L.A.
0400216500		411 HAGEN ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400016800		609 PAYTON ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400199500A		1024 2 ND ST., MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		308 VICTOR ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0400132000		1030 FOREST ST., MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		111 MCNEIL ST., MELVILLE, LA.
9453663765		718 LA-105, MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		LEE STREET, MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		301 WALNUT ST. MELVILLE, LA.
0400245000A		607 DODGE ST., MELVILLE, LA.
8401569800		111 OAK ST., MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		RAILROAD ST. MELVILLE, LA.
UNKNOWN		1273 2 ND ST., MELVILLE, LA.
0603904000	CURTIS ROUGEAU	133 DORA LN, LAWTELL, LA.
0603750350	JAMES FONTENOT	140 DORA LN., LAWTELL LA.
0602381800	KENNETH BELLARD	190 BOLlich RD, EUNICE, LA.
0603561000	MICHAEL MARSHALL	111 SPATZ RD, EUNICE, LA.
0601073500	KYRIES D HEBERT SR	200 KYRIES HEBERT ST., EUNICE, LA.
0601195475	GERALD J GUILLORY	311 ST JOSEPH ST N, EUNICE, LA.
0604083000	GAVENS STEVENS	139 NILE LN, EUNICE, LA.
0103234830	ROLTON THOMAS	RAYMOND ST., OPELOUSAS LA.

- **Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated**, “These are the two Intergovernmental Agreements that we added to the agenda. The first one is An Intergovernmental Agreement for Sir Thomas Henry Road. Lateral 12-A Drainage Improvement Project with Ward 1 South Drainage District. Do I have a motion?”

A motion was made by Councilwoman Nancy Carriere, seconded by Councilman Alvin Stelly to authorize the Parish President to sign the **Intergovernmental Agreement for Sir Thomas Henry Road**. **On roll call vote: YEAS:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune and Jimmie Edwards. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette Harold Taylor, Vivian Olivier and Ernest Blanchard. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

- **Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated,** “The next Intergovernmental Agreement is for Lee Garland Avenue. Lateral 8. Drainage Improvement Project with Ward 1 South Drainage District. Do I have a motion?”

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Timmy Lejeune to authorize the Parish President to sign the **Intergovernmental Agreement for Lee Garland Avenue. Lateral 8. Drainage Improvement Project with Ward 1 South Drainage District.**

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette, Harold Taylor and Vivian Olivier. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

XII. COMMITTEE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Nancy Carriere, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to accept the **Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes** from Wednesday November 6th, 2024 as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette, Harold Taylor and Vivian Olivier. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

A motion was made by Councilman Jody White, seconded by Councilwoman Vivian Olivier to accept the **Administrative Finance Committee Meeting Minutes** from Wednesday, November 6th, 2024 as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

XIII. ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Councilman Ken Marks, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to Adjourn the Regular Meeting.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard.

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Faltery Jolivette and Harold Taylor. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 20th, day of November 2024.

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