

**ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11th, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.
OLD CITY MARKET, 131 W BELLEVUE ST
OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA**

MINUTES

- I.** This meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne Ardoin.
- II.** Councilman Ernest Blanchard led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Invocation.
Chairman Wayne Ardoin ask that the audience silence their electronic devices.
- III. Roll Call: PRESENT:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune and Ernest Blanchard. **Ex Officio:** Wayne Ardoin. **ABSENT:** Alvin Stelly and Jimmie Edwards.
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT:**
None,
- V. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

1. St. Landry Parish Government to Purchase Property on Prudhomme Lane in Opelousas, LA from Opelousas Life Church.

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Before the vote is taken the Chairman will choose to vote.”

A motion was made by Councilwoman Vivian Olivier, seconded by Councilman Dexter Brown to authorize the Parish President to sign the sale for the Parish Government to purchase the property on Prudhomme Lane in Opelousas La from Opelousas Life Church.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** Nancy Carriere, Harold Taylor, Ken Mark and Wayne Ardoin. **ABSENT:** Alvin Stelly and Jimmie Edwards. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 11th, day of December, 2024.

2. St. Landry Parish Government to Purchase Property from Fakouri Enterprises, Inc. on Highway 35 in Lawtell, LA

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Jody White to authorize the Parish President to sign the sale for the Parish Government to purchase the property from Fakouri Enterprises, Inc. Highway 35, Lawtell, La.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Ken Marks, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** Harold Taylor and Wayne Ardoin. **ABSENT:** Alvin Stelly and Jimmie Edwards. **ABSTAINED:** Nancy Carriere. **WHEREUPON,** this motion was adopted on this, the 11th, day of December, 2024.

3. Condemnation Order Approval due to numerous violations of the Code of Ordinance Section 26-48 Articles III.

**Parcel #0106696500
Percy Wyble & Rose Speyrer
126 Mayflower Drive
Opelousas, LA 70570**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

1 LOT 49-A (75' FRONT) & S 25' FRONT LOT 45-A BLK G ROYAL GARDENS 100' FRONT ON EAST SIDE OF WILLIAM STREET 570559

Mr. Paul Wyble addressed the council. He stated, “My name is Paul Wyble. I live at 214 Flamingo Lane, Opelousas, LA and I have my sister here also.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Would you state the business that you are here for in reference to this property.”

Mr. Paul Wyble stated, “About the property me and my sister had our two bothers living there. We tried Succession and we tried numerous times to do something about this and now it has come to this, whatever you all decide. I know that were are going to be responsible for the cleanup. What we are going to do is this: We are going to try to keep them off of it and sell it to get somebody to come and buy it.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Are there any questions from any councilmembers for Mr. Wyble?”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “Not for Mr. Wyble but I have a question. So if we clean it up are we getting a Lien on it?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “We are just making it to where nobody goes on that property because of what is on it. The cleanup part, we haven’t even established that but if we do clean it up it will have a Lien on it.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “Have you all been working together on this?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “That is correct, yes Sir. If we do clean it up Mr. Garrett puts a Lien on the property.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Have you seen the photo’s Mr. Taylor?”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “Yes.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Listen, like I told you before the meeting started I am sorry this happen but the neighbors have been complaining and I want to tell Ms. Cynthia and the rest of the Parish Government thank you all for what is going on there because it is time for it to get cleaned up.”

Mr. Paul Wyble stated, “Yes Sir. We are in agreement with everything. My two brothers wanted the property so bad once my mother died they thought it was automatically theirs. They had my dad committed to a nursing home and he has since pass. This is what the outcome was and we knew they could not do it.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “We need a vote on this.”

A motion was made by Councilman Dexter, seconded by Councilwoman Vivian Oliver to authorize the approval for the Condemnation Order due to numerous violations of the Code of Ordinance Section 26-48 Articles III. Parcel #0106696500. Percy Wyble & Rose Speyrer, 126 Mayflower Drive, Opelousas, LA 70570. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 1 LOT 49-A (75’ FRONT) & S 25’ FRONT LOT 45-A BLK G ROYAL GARDENS 100’ FRONT ON EAST SIDE OF WILLIAM STREET 570559.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, and Ernest Blanchard
NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Alvin Stelly and Jimmie Edwards. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 11th, day of December, 2024.

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “At this time the Ordinances to be adopted, we have already voted on items 1 and 2 am I correct Mr. Duplechain? So that have been taken care of.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “You are correct.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Do I have a motion to adjourn?”

VI. ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Councilman Dexter Brown, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to adjourn this Special Meeting.

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

NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Alvin Stelly and Jimmie Edwards. **ABSTAINED:** None.

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 11th, day of December, 2024.

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