

**ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18th, 2026 @ 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 18th, day of February, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

- I. Chairman Wayne Ardoin called the meeting of the St. Landry Parish Council to order.
- II. Councilwoman Nancy Carriere led the Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation.
- III. **ROLL CALL:** Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **ABSENT:** Dexter Brown.

IV. **CONDOLENCES:**

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere: Joseph Cassimere, Walter James Joseph, Mary Ann Marcel, Kurt Credier, Natalie Garden, Herbert Eaglin Jr.

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry: Paul Etienne, Elijah Albert Sam Sr., Jessie Ryder, Lois Jean Brott, Linda Rita Davis, Natalie Ann Auzenne Gordon, Wilbert 'Bobby' Ledet, Harold Benedict Malveaux, Willie Salton Jr., Walter James Joseph, Casey Dwayne Owens, Lelia Mae Hardy, Joseph Cassimere.

Councilman Ken Marks: Daniel 'Rock' Hrachovy, Joseph Earl Andrus, Shirley Guillory, Warren James Soileau, Lauren 'Lou-Lou' Badeaux, Mercedese Dupre'

Chairman Wayne Ardoin: Sidney 'Chuck' Estilette, Judith McKoin Thomasson, Moise Clay Lanclos Jr., Mercedese Dupre, Natalie Ann Auzenne Gordon, Edward Hardy, Ida Richard, Jessie Ryder, Warren James Soileau, Reverend John Gary Schexnayder, Robert James Fontenot, Joseph Cassimere.

Councilman Ernest Blanchard: Vernon McManus

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

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

Mr. Brent Breaux addressed the council. He stated, "Good afternoon, good evening everyone. My government name is Joel Brent Breaux. You all that do know me I go by the name of Brent. My address is 354 Bio Road. It is a Carencro Address but it is in the village of Cankton. I am presently the Chief of Police in the village of Cankton. I have been the chief for 7 years now. The reason that I am here is because I am applying for the appointed position to the Ag Arena Board. I have been involved in horsemanship all my life. I am presently a member of JDRC which is Jeff Davis Riding Club. I am a director for the newly founded, it use to be the Acadian Use Riding Association but they have disbanded as of this year but there is a new company taking it over and I am now a board member for them for one of their events, I am an Event Director for them. Back in the year 1999-2000 I established the first monic patrol division in Lafayette Parish aligned with Carencro Police Department. I do perform rodeos, roping and barrels, all of the above and my daughter and I compete against each other. I know Mr. Jessie real well and we have a great working relationship. The improvements that Jessie have made to that Ag Arena are enormously great improvements and it can really push that arena to the fore front as far as bringing in some of the high school rodeo's that wants to come back and different types of livestock events that could be held in that arena and I would like to be on that position to try and assist Mr. Jessie to getting that type of stuff back into the arena. I would like to have your consideration for that appointment."

Councilman Faltery Jolivette stated, “Thank you for your consideration. You sound well versed. It seems as though you are experienced and if what you say is what you have in your heart to do for our parish and for the kid I want to say thank you.”

Mr. Brent Breaux stated, “That is truly my goal. It is to try and bring back a strong 4-H High School Rodeo, that type of nature for the kids. I want to give them something to get into other than our streets.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “Thank you for coming. It looks like you are very knowledgeable and you would be a great asset to that particular board. I have grandchildren that are in the 4-H and I followed them religiously. It made them the quality of people that they are today as they continue to grow due to the work ethics. You mentioned a Rodeo, is that a sanction rodeo by the state that is going to be starting again?”

Mr. Brent Breaux stated, “The Youth Association Rodeo, yes, it is going to be sanctioned by the state. It used to be the AYRA which is the Acadiana Youth Rodeo Association. They began 20 plus years ago. It fell off for a while then it restarted lately. It takes a group to put on a production such as a rodeo, especially for youths. The couple that were trying to do it were not getting any help, they had to step out. The new company that is taking over is called Diamond Production and they are a semi-rodeo company owned by a gentleman out of Mississippi. They are putting on the youth rodeo this weekend. It starts Friday night and goes into Saturday for the youth rodeo and then there is a semi pro rodeo the Saturday night. Their intention is to do just that for the whole series of the youth rodeo. The youth will be the Friday evening and the Saturday during the day and the Saturday night will be the semi pro adult performance rodeo.”

Mr. Bobby Ardoin, Editor addressed the council. He stated, “My concerns is the adopted Ordinance No, 2026-005, the animal ordinance. My concern is this and it is very simple. Mr. Bellard, our Parish President and the people that does the investigations for him, in the past couple of years we have had some horrendous cases of animal abuse in our parish. What concerns me is flipping this more to the civil side than a prosecutorial criminal side. I would like to see some of those alleged perpetrators pay and pay dearly. We have not seen that from the 27th Judicial District very much but that is true. I would like to see some of these people faced with stiff criminal penalties. Moving it over to the civil side, I am afraid would not happen. So that is my concern about that ordinance. You all can discuss it when it becomes an action item. Thank you.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Are there any questions for Mr. Ardoin? Go ahead Mr. Bellard.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I can answer that. I just have a comment. So anything that is a misdemeanor now basically will become a Civil Citation or it could be a Misdemeanor depending on who is investigating it. Anything that is going to be a Felony I will investigate it myself. So it is not going to be a Civil Fine it will be done by the District Attorney’s Office like the rest of them have been doing. We just don’t have an investigator on staff anymore to do that. So if it becomes a felony, I will do it myself, other than that if we can do it through the civil process, which is going to be the leash laws and those types of deals but anything that is aggravated is definitely going to be handle through the District Court. We did have some success last year on some cases especially with the one up there in Palmetto off of Rideau Church Road. We were very happy the judge ruled in our favor and removed all of the animals from the property. We recovered all of our money that was spent out on taking care of the animals. We do get some good cases and the District Attorney does follow up. We have been very lucky the last couple of years but we will not be doing nothing that will be a felony that would be dropped to a civil, not as long as I am here.”

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to approve **the Regular Meeting Minutes from January 21st, 2026** as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Dexter Brown. **ABSTAINED:** None
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

VII. PARISH PRESIDENT REPORT:

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “As you all know we put the property up for sale in Eunice at the old Moosa Hospital. We got a bid for each one of them to be opened up tonight and I wanted to open them up tonight in front of the council and have the council to authorize the sale of the property if it meets the criteria. There are three different pieces of property. The first pieces that I am opening is **Tract A** on Moosa Blvd. The Bidder is R. Feucht Properties, LLC in Eunice. The bid for **Tract A** is **\$28,001.00**.

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “On Tract A you only have one bid?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Yes, that is all that we have. One bid for each piece of property.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Okay.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “The next bid is for Tract B. The Bidder is R. Feucht Properties, LLC. **Tract B** is the same amount, **\$28,001.00**. The next bid is for Tract C and the Bidder is R. Feucht Properties, LLC. On **Tract C** the bid is **\$28,001.00**. The appraised value of the properties was \$28,000.00 per piece of property. Garrett do you have any recommendations.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “Mr. Feuchet’s company was the successful bidder on all three of them. We have the ordinance the council passed to bid it out at the minimum price and we have the official plat of the property. The Conveyance sale can be prepared tomorrow and we can move forward with getting it signed and recorded and completing this sale as soon as possible.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “The council have to vote on it right? To sell it at that price.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “The council can approve it. They passed the ordinance and now they can vote to approve the sale of all three of these properties to the successful bidder which is Mr. Feucht’s Company.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Do we have to do them separate? Tract A, Tract B and Tract C?”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “I would do them separate to be in compliance.”

A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to authorize the sale of **Tract A** of 0.62 of an acre on Moosa Boulevard to Mr. R. Feucht Properties, LLC in the amount of \$28,001.00.

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

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Jimmie Edwards to authorize the sale of **Tract B** of 0.62 of an acre on Moosa Boulevard to Mr. R. Feucht Properties, LLC in the amount of \$28,001.00.

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

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

A motion was made by Councilman Alvin Stelly, seconded by Councilman Faltery Jolivette to authorize the sale of **Tract C** of 0.62 of an acre on Moosa Boulevard to Mr. R. Feucht Properties, LLC in the amount of \$28,001.00.

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

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Is there anything else Mr. Bellard?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Yes Sir. You all have copy of the Pilot Agreement with Walmart. So if you all remember last year we pulled something from the State Legislature and asked them to not make any changes to SLED because SLED agreed to make sure that any Pilot Agreements come in front of the council for approval before they enter into. This is the one for Walmart that is the final version that I need you all to look at before next month’s meeting to approve or deny or make recommendations to. The just of it is 43%. The Abatement is going to be for 50% and the other 50% is going to be split up as 43% to the taxing agencies, 7% goes to SLED and no abatement at all on the sales tax, they pay 100% of the sales tax. That is on Project Rosie. The agreement that we had since 1999 for the building and the grounds that have been addressed and done with they are actually tax payers now so that have been taken care of. This is strictly only for the new project what they call project Rosie which is the \$300,000,000.00 project that they will start on the 27th.

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “You said next month will be fine?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Yes.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “Could you give us a breakdown on the dollars that each of the entities are going to get, particularly Parish Government itself.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “We have a spread sheet.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “On the Ad Valorem Basis there is only a 3.78 mil. Can you just give us a breakdown on that?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “We have a breakdown from the Tax Assessor.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “The same thing with the sales tax on how we can appreciate that.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Okay.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Do we need a motion on that?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I think that you all should take it under advisement and bring it up at the next full council meeting. Whatever you all need to do. I just want to make sure that we got it last week and I think the council should look at it. I am glad that SLED is actually letting this body review it and make the approval before signing off on it on their end.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Let me ask you this question Mr. Bellard, It has been a long time coming for this right here if I remember right. Do you have any objections of Mr. LaFleur being here to answer any questions and Mr. Rodier?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “That is fine with me.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I am going to ask for this council to offer a motion to bring that up and they be present whenever we are going to do any voting on it.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Can we bring it to the Committee Meeting and have them come to that so they can make a recommendation.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “That is fine we need to start somewhere.”

A motion was made by Councilman Harold Taylor, seconded by Councilman Ken Marks to authorize the Council Clerk to contact Mr. Bill Rodier and Mr. Eric LaFleur to invite them to come and speak to the council at our next Committee Meeting dated, **Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026.**

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

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “The only thing that I have is basically everybody knows about the Mardi Gras Celebration this past weekend with Eunice and Opelousas and the surrounding areas. There were no major incidents took place and we were very happy. The sponsorships came in and we had a little over \$40,000.00 in Sponsorships for the Zyde-Gras here and we are also going to assist Eunice with their security for the Mardi Gras in Eunice. It went good and there were no trouble.”

Councilman Timmy Lejeune questioned, “Mr. Bellard, your sponsorships covered all of the expenses so the parish did not have to spend a penny out of pocket? It did not cost us a dime? No tax payer money was spent on that.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “It did not cost us nothing from the Parish Government. Not on this one, no.”

Councilman Timmy Lejeune stated, “Thank you very much.”

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry questioned, “I want to personally commend you and your team whoever helped to make this possible. So often we will see some things that are positive that is going on in the community and we fail to mention it. Everybody does not do Mari Gras but for the ones who do it they seem to have had a wonderful time. I want to say thanks and I know that it took a lot of planning and work behind the scenes but again another job well done.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Thank you.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “I understand that you said that it was no expense to the parish but Mr. Keith Frank, he did not charge anything? Or was it paid for with the sponsor’s funds?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Everything was paid for with the sponsorships money.”

Councilman Faltery Jolivette questioned, “Just to echo, I was impressed with the safety that was taken as far as getting in and out. I just wanted to comment on that.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “We are going to make a few changes. I had a meeting this morning with the police chief and his staff. We are going to have some changes next year, only to make it better. I think that we are going to add a couple or more entrances so the lines are not as long. We will have extra officers on the outside perimeter. Overall we were very fortunate. Those people who came in and complained about the walls and stuff were few but when they came inside and we explained to them the reason for it. They did not mind being checked by the officers because they know that it is good for them and the people that is around them. We did not have one incident at all and Eunice I know that they did not have nothing at all. It went very well and it proved that St. Landry Parish can put on events and it could go this good. It takes a lot of work for it to be done this way but the law enforcement and all of the staff that is present really took it serious and made it safe.”

Councilman Faltery Jolivette stated, “Based on our experience with trouble with these type of gatherings I think the necessary security that was take was well done.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Thank you I will pass it on.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “I hope since it was successful minimal aspects as you mentioned that the safety of our citizens and visitors will now be more apt to get involved if we use this as a model for all big venues. Is that something that could be considered?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I think that is a perfect example. That is what we are trying to put out to the people. I did have a couple of people tell me on yesterday that if it was them they would have never put it on. I looked at him and he said I am glad that you put it on, I am here and I am having fun but if I was you I would not put it on because I would be scared. You have to have trust in the people and let them let you down but as far as we are concerned we have been having it for four years and it has been successful every

year. Eunice have been having their Mardi Gras forever and it has always been good. Of course with this day and age we do try and make everything safer because of what is going on but it just take more officers and more money and we are very fortunate that the sponsorships picked up a lot. Eunice picked up over \$100,000.00 in sponsorships so they are able to put on an event and do it without the taxpayers.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Are there any other questions? Are you finished Mr. Bellard?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Mr. Ardoin, I just got a text, they started this afternoon on Aspen Lane.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Aspen Lane, thank you. We had the little tornado hit and we are lucky that nobody got hurt. Homes were are not damaged but it did a lot of damage to the power grid and those people had to get out and really put some stuff on the side of the road so they could pass. I think Barry and his crew are going over there to clean it up.”

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

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

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

***Items passed through committee.**

1. **Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment for a five-year term to the St. Landry Agricultural Arena Authority. (03-17-2021 – 03-17-2026).**

A motion was made by Councilman Alvin Stelly, seconded by Councilwoman Vivian Olivier to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for one appointment for a five-year term to the St. Landry Agricultural Arena Authority. (03-17-2021 – 03-17-2026).

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

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

2. **Authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for two appoints for a two year term to Coulee Croche Fire Protection District No. 4. (04-20-2024 – 04-20-2026).**

A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilman Ken Marks to authorize the Council Clerk to advertise for two appointments for a two-year term to Coulee Croche Fire Protection District No. 4. (04-20-2021 – 04-20-2026).

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

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

IX. ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED:



ORDINANCE NO. 2026-007
(Sponsored by: Councilwoman Mildred Thierry)

AN ORDINANCE TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY BEARING PARCEL NUMBER 8178722206 TO AN ADJOINING LANDOWNER OF THE ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS PER LA R. S. 47:2202 (B)

● **ORDINANCE NO. 2026-008**
(Sponsored by: Councilman Ken Marks)

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 2025-035, WHICH IS AN ORDINANCE TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY TO AN ADJOINING LANDOWNER OF THE ADJUDICATED PROPERTY, DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE OWNER OF THE ADJUDICATED PROPERTY REDEEMED THE PROPERTY PRIOR TO ORDINANCE NO. 2025-035 BEING ENACTED

● **ORDINANCE NO. 2026-009**
(Sponsored by: Councilman Timmy Lejeune)

AN ORDINANCE TO ABANDON BATISTE ROAD IN ST. LANDRY PARISH

X. ORDINANCE TO BE ADOPTED:

ORDINANCE 2026-001
(Sponsored by: Councilman Harold Taylor)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 44-3 TO ESTABLISH A SPEED LIMIT OF 40 MPH FOR DRY BAYOU ROAD, AND TO ESTABLISH A SPEED LIMIT OF 40 MPH FOR NURSING HOME ROAD

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS –FOR ORDINANCE NO.2026-001

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Is there anyone that would like to speak on this ordinance?”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “As I have said at the Committee Meeting the 40 mph is a recommendation of the Sheriff’s Office. The roads are fairly straight. They have been over-laid 4 or 5 years ago and they are in excellent shape. The citizens along that road have requested this to be done.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Are there any other questions or comments? We only have a certain amount of time and we have 6 ordinances to have a Public Hearing on tonight so I will move on to the next ordinance.”

● A motion was made by Councilman Timmy Lejeune, seconded by Councilman Faltery Jolivette to Adopt **Ordinance No. 2026-001**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

ORDINANCE 2026-001
(Sponsored by: Councilman Harold Taylor)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 44-3 TO ESTABLISH A SPEED LIMIT OF 40 MPH FOR DRY BAYOU ROAD, AND TO ESTABLISH A SPEED LIMIT OF 40 MPH FOR NURSING HOME ROAD

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT the speed limit for Dry Bayou Road shall be 40 mph;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT the speed limit for Nursing Home Road shall be 40 mph;

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

- A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to **Adopt Ordinance No. 2026-002**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-002
(Sponsored by: Councilman Jody White)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH ORDINANCE SECTION 28-16, LOUD, UNNECESSARY, ETC., NOISES, IN ARTICLE I OF CHAPTER 28 OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO INCLUDE ANY AND ALL CIVIL REMEDIES TO ENFORCE THIS ORDINANCE

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS FOR ORDINANCE NO. 2026-002

Councilman Jody White stated, “Mr. Duplechain will address everyone about this ordinance. I will let him have the floor first. If he doesn’t answer everything I will come in at that point.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “So we have an ordinance in place right now against unnecessary loud noise that can create a public nuisance. It is a criminal law with a fine of \$500.00 per violation. What this does is it amends this ordinance so that it can be a civil violation too, it can be a criminal violation but it can also be a civil violation which would go to our Administrative Adjudicative Bureau for the matter to be heard by our new hearing officer. That can include and injunction or various other serious remedies that can be used to solve this problem if someone is in violation of the ordinance and they are creating unnecessary loud noises that can be a nuisance to the community. There is a little more to it. For example if someone was to try to build a Crypto Currency Data Mining Facility in St. Landry Parish that would create an unnecessary and annoying noise. It is not that we want to keep these facilities out of St. Landry Parish we would not want them to be too close to a neighborhood or a subdivision. If a person has a special computer they use for data for the Crypto Currency Bit Coins the computer runs continuously to solve mathematical problems. When it solves a problem they get some Crypto Currency, Currency that only exist electronically on the internet such as Bit Coins. Imagine if you had a facility with hundreds of thousands of these computers running 24 hours a day, seven days a week, they have those right now in the United States. If you put your hand under your computer after it has been running you will notice the heat. Imagine the heat that will be produced by these computers, these are all facts. They will have to be cooled down because they use an enormous amount of electricity and fans to cool then down. This is going on in facilities and other places in our country right now such as Arkansas. The problem is the noise it emits. It can be like a jet engine on a torment 24 hours per day 7 days a week or it can be just a constant hum that you can hear 24 hours per day 7 days a week. If you live in a house and you are too close to your neighbor you are going to hear that 24 hours a day 7 days a week and you will have to endure it unless the local government can do something or this company can make a lot of money. Some of these companies are from China and some are from other countries and they are hard to find the owners but sometimes they are from here. What this ordinance does is enables us to do something about it. I don’t think any of these data mining facilities in St. Landry Parish right now but they could try and place one, it not that we want to keep them out we don’t want them to close to neighborhoods. The time to talk about this is now instead when someone comes to a council meeting and say I can’t sleep because of the noise that is ongoing 24 hours per day 7 days a week. These businesses are pro-business and it is pro economy and the statue are such. The state law says that we can’t zone them out and we can’t eliminate them out and I don’t think that we can charge them money. What we can do according to state law is use our existing Noise Ordinance to regulate it. Arkansas was very pro Crypto Currency Data Mind Facilities and that changed once it became a problem. The same thing is in Louisiana now. The time to adjust this ordinance and talk about this is now. Do you all have any questions?”

Councilman Ernest Blanchard questioned, “I have a unique situation going on. Where I live in this subdivision is inside of the city limits and across the road is outside of the city limits in St. Landry Parish. They have a Concrete Plant that starts up about 4:00 a.m. each morning making a lot of noise. Is there an ordinance in place that they have to start possibly at 6:00 a.m.?”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “The only ordinance that we have this Ordinance. The

effect is producing inside of your city limit but it is emulating and being created outside of your city limits so conceivably an ordinance would be what would apply to that. The only ordinance that we have is this one right here. If it is a legitimate business and there is too much noise or not too much noise someone like Code Enforcement would have to look into that but we do have a noise ordinance that can apply. I don't know how much noise it emits so I can't tell you whether or not something can be done."

Councilman Ernest Blanchard stated, "I can hear it at my house but everybody on the first row call me up about it. I don't know what to do about it."

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, "Code Enforcement could take a look at it but speculating about it right now I don't know whether it is too much noise or not."

Councilman Jody White stated, "I will be real quick. In reference to what Mr. Blanchard is talking about I have firsthand knowledge of the ordinance that is in the city of Opelousas. I was probably one of the only police offices that carried a decimal meter. Just like our ordinance would state, 25 feet from your front door, if it is louder than 85 decibels then there is possibly something that can be done about it lawfully. Speaking to the people at the concrete place would be the first step but that is something that we can look at a little later and I will be willing to help Code Enforcement with that because I do have Decimal Meter. We can talk about that later. Mr. Duplechain spoke on a lot more than I was going to speak on so I will end it now Mr. Chairman."

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry questioned, "Does that include those vehicles passing with the loud music and the MTV's with loud music? Is that covered in this?"

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, "Yes I believe it is. If you read further into the ordinance. Look at Number 6, D-6. You can find the speakers that are loud in the vehicles, the loud speakers in the cars."

Councilwoman Mildred Thierry questioned, "Who enforces this?"

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, "We have Law Enforcement and we have Code Enforcement. We have Code Enforcement is it a vehicle that moves around. We have criminal penalties right now. A penalty of a criminal fine is \$500.00. If you would fine one of these facilities \$500.00 per day, every day, Crypto Currency Minds would ask if that is all you all want is \$500.00 a day so that is why we have to bring the Civil into it for these data mind facilities. If you have anything that currently exists like cars that drive around with loud music we do have law enforcement. If they are stationary like a night club we have law enforcement for that also, we have code enforcement. This brings the civil into it so we can take care of this on the civil side."

Councilman Ken Marks questioned, "My question is this: The 85 decibels. If we don't have Mr. White's access to his Decimal Meter what other means do we have? Will our Code Enforcement have that type of apparatus?"

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, "I don't know, they might."

Councilman Jody White stated, "Let me just say this. These Decimal Meters price starts at about \$70.00. A real good one you may pay \$300.00 for it. What I am saying if this is being put into effect then our Code Enforcement may want to try and find a way to get one for them."

Councilman Faltery Jolivette questioned, "OSHA requires another side of Decibels. If it is a long period of constant noise at a lower decibel it is also bad for the human. Is that also considered in this ordinance?"

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, "When you are talking about OSHA are you talking about a Federal Regulation?"

Councilman Faltery Jolivette stated, "Yes."

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “Well that is the Fed’s. In this one it is a local parish ordinance. I think that we have 85 decibels for night clubs and thinks like that.”

Councilman Faltery Jolivette stated, “I understand I am just giving you a thorough fact. There is also another annoyance of a low sound for a long period of time, low decibel at a long period of time.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “Yes, speaking of OSHA which is constructing a building, a building has to be constructed a certain way as far as local ordinance are now local laws if you are going to build a facility you will need a building permit and you will need a permit from the health unit. At some point you will have to not violate these noise ordinances so there are different lines of defense that we have.

Councilman Faltery Jolivette stated, “All I asking is this: It is a fact, let’s forget about OSHA, it is a fact that low decibels at long periods of time can also affect a human?”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “Oh yes if you got up at 3:00 a.m. to get a glass of water and there is that humming sound people should not be subjected to that. So you are right, yes.”

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-002
(Sponsored by: Councilman Jody White)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH ORDINANCE SECTION 28-16, LOUD, UNNECESSARY, ETC., NOISES, IN ARTICLE I OF CHAPTER 28 OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO INCLUDE ANY AND ALL CIVIL REMEDIES TO ENFORCE THIS ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 1-06 of the St. Landry Parish Home Rule Charter states that the parish government shall have the power to pass all ordinances necessary to promote, protect, and preserve the general welfare, safety, health, peace, and orderly conduct of the parish, and this includes the power to pass ordinances on all subject matters not inconsistent with the constitution or denied by state law;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT Section 28-16 in Article I of Chapter 28 of the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and shall now read as follows:

Sec. 28-16. - Loud, unnecessary, etc., noises.

- (a) *Unnecessary noise prohibited.* It shall be unlawful for any person or legal entity to make, continue, or cause to be made or continued any loud, unnecessary or unusual noise, or any noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures, or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others, within the parish.
- (b) Whoever violates this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$500.00 or subject to imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or both.
- (c) Whoever violates this section may also be subject to a civil fine of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per violation, and five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per day for continuing violations. The St. Landry Parish Government may seek any and all civil remedies to enforce this ordinance, including any injunctive process to compel compliance and prevent continued violation.
- (d) *Non-exclusive enumeration of unnecessary noise.* The following acts, among others, are declared to be loud, disturbing and unnecessary noise and noises in violation of this section, but this enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive, namely:
 - (1) *Horns or signal devices.* The sounding of any horn or signal device, except when said horn or signal device, at the time used, has as its purpose the signaling of unsafe or dangerous situations or to summon the assistance of law enforcement or when used in conjunction with a permitted event.

(2) *Radios, televisions, etc.* Radio, television, phonograph or any musical instrument in such a manner or with such volume, particularly between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., or at any time or place so as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort or repose of persons in any hospital, dwelling, hotel or other type of residence, or of any persons in the vicinity.

(3) *Yelling, shouting, etc.* Yelling, shouting, hooting, whistling or singing, particularly between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., or at any time or place so as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort or repose of persons in any hospital, dwelling, hotel or other type of residence, or of any persons in the vicinity.

(4) *Animals, birds, etc.* The keeping of any animal, including, but not limited to, dogs, birds or fowl, which by causing frequent or long-continued noise shall disturb the comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.

(5) *Defect in vehicle or load.* The use of any automobile, motorcycle, or other vehicle so out of repair, or loaded or modified in such a manner as to create loud unnecessary grating, grinding, rattling or other noise.

(6) *Amplification from a motor vehicle.* The operation or permitted operation of any sound amplification system which emanates unreasonably loud or excessive sound or noise which is likely to cause inconvenience or annoyance to persons of ordinary sensibilities, when both the following exist:

a. The sound amplification system is located in or on any motor vehicle on a public street, highway or public park.

b. The sound or noise emanating from the sound amplification system is audible at a distance of greater than 25 feet which exceeds 85 decibels.

c. The sound amplification system is being operated without first having obtained a permit to do so.

(7) *Amplifying devices.* The use by any person or legal entity conducting any public place or business to operate therein or in connection therewith any radios, loudspeakers, amplifying devices or any other such things of similar nature when the sound or noise emanating from the sound amplifying device exceeds 85 decibels at a distance of greater than 50 feet from the building emitting the sound or noise. This standard for determining excessive noise from amplifying devices is in effect 24 hours a day, but particularly after the hour of 11:00 p.m. and before the hour of 8:00 a.m.

- A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to **Adopt Ordinance No. 2026-003**.
On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Dexter Brown. **ABSTAINED:** None.
WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-003
(Sponsored by: Councilman Ernest Blanchard)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2025 OPERATING BUDGET
Date Introduced: January 21, 2026

WHEREAS, the 2025 St. Landry Parish Operating Budget, herein attached, is hereby amended to reflect the detailed amended estimate of revenues and expenses for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2025, being the same is hereby adopted to serve as an amended operating Budget of Revenues and Expenses for the Parish of St. Landry during the said period.

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

Section 1. The attached, detailed AMENDED estimate of revenues for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2025, is hereby adopted to serve as an amended operating Budget of Revenues for the Parish of St. Landry during the said period.

Section 2. The attached, detailed AMENDED estimate of expenditures by department for fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2025, is hereby adopted to serve as an amended operating Budget of Expenditures for the Parish of St. Landry during the said period.

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

Section 4. Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included within the 2025 Budget.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-004 ORDINANCE PULLED
(Sponsored by: Councilman Jimmie Edwards)

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2026 OPERATING BUDGET

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “I am sorry we missed you on our Hearing on this Mr. Bellard but I had questions regarding the payment in Lieu of Taxes on the General Fund of the \$10,800,000.00 in Revenue and \$4,100,000.00 is coming from payment in lieu of taxes. Can you give us a breakdown of where that is coming from?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Yes, we talked about this already. The agreement between us and NextEra that we have, not us but the SLED members have with NextEra and we have an agreement with SLED is that half of the state proceeds would come to us.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “Which would be how much that we are talking about.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “It started off with \$3,300,000.00 in the first round, that is what the estimated cost was and now it went over \$4,000,000.00 because of the delay and the price went up according to what they are telling me. Do we have that in writing, no? We do not have it in writing.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “Don’t you think that it is dangerous to put that in the budget when we don’t have it? We may get it or we may not.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “It is not a matter of if we are going to get it, they are telling me up until last week that June 1st, is when they are going to start on that Solar Farm. So we will probably get money in the third quarter and start from there on.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “I think that Mr. Blanchard had talked during the hearing and you were not here. He was told something else by God Bless.”

Councilman Ernest Blanchard stated, “Jessie you was in that meeting. That meeting that we were in with God Bless. I asked them how much we were going to get and he said in the third quarter we were going to get \$65,000.00 to start. That is what he told me.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I did not hear that. If that is what he told you then I don’t know. I did not hear that.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “Is that the only money in this \$4,100,000.00 that is coming from NextEra?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “No we have the Light Source Payments that is around \$50,000.00 out of that money.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “So 65 thousand and 50 thousand, anything else that is coming in?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Nothing that I can think of.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “So that is \$115,000.00 and we are putting \$4,100,000.00 in there. Where will we get the rest of the money to balance the budget?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “Like I told you all before it is hinging on NextEra to do what they need to do.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “Mr. Bellard, you are asking to negative finance. You are not sure that you are going to get the money.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “No, we know that we are going to get the money from NextEra. They are telling me June 1st.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “You will have to go and borrow the money again from the Bond Commission to balance your budget?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “To do what?”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “If you come up with \$4,000,000.00 that you don’t have how are you going to balance your budget? That is part of your \$10,000,000.00 budget.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I understand what you are saying.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “Where are we going to get it?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I have talked five or six times. Vote against it Harold. Whatever you need to do I am not talking no more about it. So it is up to you. You vote the way you want to vote.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “So you are asking us to vote for \$4,000,000.00.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I am not asking you all to do nothing.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “You just told us we are not going to get but a \$115,000.00.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I did not say that, you said that.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “I rest my case.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “That is what I thought.”

Councilman Ken Marks questioned, “We just got this payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement with Walmart. Is that part of this as well? When will that take place?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “No it is not. They projected to start it in 2027 on that one.

Councilman Ken Mark questioned, “Do you know how much is going to be generated?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I will give you all the spread sheet of what the estimate will be.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “Okay, that is fine. Thank you.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “At this time Mr. Marks you asked during the hearing, the Public Hearing to ask Mr. Rodier to come to this council meeting. The next council meeting would be the Committee Meeting to speak about this.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “That is correct.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “If he had any answers to our questions. Do you still want that?”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “I do.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Do you want to add that to this ordinance?”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “Yes, I do.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Do you have any objections Mr. Edwards to add that to your ordinance?”

Councilman Jimmie Edwards stated, “No, I have no objections.”

Councilman Jody White stated, “Mr. President were you about to say that June first or was it July first you might be expecting the funds?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “No, it is not to be expected that is when the expected date of start.”

Councilman Jody White stated, “Okay that is what I am trying to get straight. So the expected start from NextEra or that is the other company?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “No that is NextEra.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “The motion is to adopt the Ordinance for the Budget.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Correct. we are going to come to that but Mr. Marks also asked at the Public Hearing that Mr. Rodier be present to discuss this operating budget about the money that we are suppose to be getting from the NextEra Project.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “Particular the line item payment in lieu of taxes. That is the only big thing that I see as jumping out that we an explanation on.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “Mr. Chairman, the motion on the floor is to adopt the operating budget. If you adopt the operating budget it is done. I would suggest that we ask Mr. Edwards to withdraw it and let us get the information that we need and we can take it up again next month.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Mr. Edwards you heard the request?”

Councilman Jimmie Edwards stated, “Yes, okay.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Are you asking to withdraw it?”

Councilman Jimmie Edwards stated, “Yes, I will withdraw it.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Do we need a motion for that Mr. Duplechain?”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “No, it is his ordinance. He is in charge of it. You all can table it for a month.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Mr. Rodier can still come and discuss the Pilot Program.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “Do you a motion and a second for that or do you need that?”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I need a motion to ask Mr. Rodier to be at the Committee Meeting with the Finance Committee.”

Assistant Council Clerk Karen Barlow stated, “Mr. Chairman, we took action earlier for Mr. Rodier to come and address the council.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I want him to be prepared for what he is coming here for. He needs to answer questions on this item and on the Walmart project. I have a motion and I have a second.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “How can you make a motion and it is not on the agenda? That is my thought. All he did was pull the ordinance.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “They are asking that this occur Mr. Bellard. Do you have any objections?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I have no objections to it. I just want to make sure that we have the point of order correctly because it is not on the agenda.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I am asking our attorney, Mr. Garrett would you please horn in.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “It is not on the agenda but even though you don’t have subpoena power like congress you can have whoever you want to appear before you and give information. He is not going to be forced to come here by a vote but he will come here. Anyone can appear before the council and provide information and answer questions. That would be a supposed schedule for the committee meeting or whenever you want.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “As Chairman I am asking that he be present to come and address the Finance Committee. I think as Chairman I can request it. Am I correct? That way we won’t have no hidden agenda.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “I am just wondering and it seems like it is getting confusing but we voted for Mr. Lefleur and Mr. Rodier to come and speak.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “That is on the Walmart deal.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “I understand that. I was just saying when they come it is not on the agenda to discuss the NextEra we have to do a different motion for that. I thought we could discuss all of them.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “He just answered the question that I can request it as Chairman. I want them to be prepared. Mr. Rodier is the one that we are asking and Mr. Lefleur is on the Walmart deal.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “I think that it is simple. All you have to do is make the request. I don’t think that it needs to be a motion for the council right not. It is just that simple.”

Councilman Ernest Blanchard questioned, “Don’t we have to Table this Ordinance?”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “He pulled it.”

Councilman Ernest Blanchard questioned, “Will he push it back.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “What I understand from Parliamentary Procedure he pulled it and we will deal with it at a later date. But he is the sponsor of it. He is the one that guides it all the way.”

Councilman Jimmie Edwards stated, “It is being tabled.”

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS FOR ORDINANCE 2026-004

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Do anyone have any questions or comments on this ordinance?”

Councilman Jimmie Edwards stated, “I don’t have any comments.”

Councilman Harold Taylor questioned, “I will let anyone ask question first. I am sure you all think that I am a nuisance when I get into my questions. Is there anyone else that would like to speak on the budget? I was not here for the last meeting and perhaps Mr. Bellard gave you all a report on the \$4,100,000.00 we are going to get from the Payment in Lieu of Taxes which is 41% of the total dollars and that is in the General Fund Budget. Has he appraised you all of any of that? Where is it coming from? Is it definitely coming? Is it documented? I would ask for documentation for all of this and I have not received it. I received something from the office but it was an agreement between SLED and the Parish so it really did not give us that much information. I really don’t know how we can go forward with the budget without knowing where the 41% of the money is coming from, that astounds me.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Mr. Taylor the question was asked but Mr. Bellard was not present at the last meeting. Mr. Van Reed sat in that night and he told us in reference to the Solar Panel Farm how much money was going to be brought into St. Landry Parish from that but he did not give us an estimate if I remember correctly. If any council member remembers the exact wording I would like for them tell us.”

Councilman Ernest Blanchard stated, “I can tell you how much it is going to be this year. The third quarter of this year we are going to get \$65,000.00. That is it and that comes from God Bless. He told me \$65,000.00 in the third quarter.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “God Bless is the young man that works for the Solar Panel.”

Councilman Ernest Blanchard stated, “Yes, when they had that last meeting I was in there and I asked them in the front of Jessie.”

Councilman Harold Taylor stated, “We are not aware of where is the rest of it is coming from at this time but I have another question that lit up a light here. It is on page 4 of Fund 11. The line of Credit Payment. In the Proposed budget for 2026 it is showing that we are going to get, I guess we are using a line of credit to pay \$2,900,000.00. I don’t understand it exactly, that accounting, does anyone have any idea? That is for prisoner expenses is what it is for. Okay, thank you Mr. Chairman.”

Councilman Ken Marks questioned, “From what I understand it is being generated through Economic Development is that correct? So the agreement between the government and the entities whoever they are signed documentation or reports or documentation of such should be with Economic Development. Can we request Mr. Rodier to come and address this particular issue with us about the details?”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “If we are in order I will ask that you recommend that.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “I recommend it.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Do we have any other councilmember that would like to horn in on that to request Mr. Rodier to come to our next Finance Committee Meeting and give us some answers.”

Councilman Faltery Jolivette stated, “If it is a motion I will second it.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Are we in order right now Mr. Duplechain to have a motion during a Public Hearing? Or do we make a recommendation to bring it up to the committee?”

Councilman Faltery Jolivette questioned, “What is the protocol?”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “You are talking about this ordinance?”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Yes, In reference to this ordinance 2026-004. The 2026 Operating Budget.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “I think the motion and the voting is done during the Regular Meeting I would think.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “During the Regular Meeting or can we do it at this Public Hearing?”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “You are talking about the one that Jimmie is sponsoring right?”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “So we would have to amend the agenda also to bring it up.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “I don’t think that you have to amend it. You can bring it up during the Regular Meeting.”

Councilman Faltery Jolivette questioned, “So what is the situation here?”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “My question is this: Do we have to amend the agenda when we go into the Regular Meeting to ask for Mr. Rodier to come to the meeting and explain in reference to the 2026 Operating Budget. Right now we are having Public Hearings and we are introducing these ordinances. I just want to make sure that we are on the right page and we can do this. My question to you Mr. Duplechain: Do we have to amend the agenda to introduce this motion.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “No the motion to table it until you hear from Mr. Rodier. If you want to hear from Mr. Rodier you can make a motion when we arrive at it during the agenda to table it but again it is up to the council.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Okay, thank you sir. Are you alright with that Mr. Marks?”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “Yes, I still don’t know if we had the right to do a motion or just a recommendation. What is the clarity?”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “To prioritize it at the regular meeting.”

Councilman Ken Marks stated, “Okay so it will be submitted then.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Okay, are there any other questions on Ordinance 2026-004 in reference to the Operating Budget that Mr. Jimmie Edwards have introduced? Alright moving on.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-004

ORDINANCE PULLED

(Sponsored by: Councilman Jimmie Edwards)

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2026 OPERATING BUDGET

WHEREAS, the 2026 St. Landry Parish Operating Budget, herein attached, is hereby adopted to reflect the detailed estimate of revenues and expenses for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026, being the same is hereby adopted to serve as the operating Budget of Revenues and Expenses for the Parish of St. Landry during the said period.

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

Section 1. The attached, detailed estimates of revenues for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026, is hereby adopted to serve as the operating Budget of Revenues for the Parish of St. Landry during the said period.

Section 2. The attached estimates of expenditures by department for fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026, is hereby adopted to serve as an operating Budget of Expenditures for the Parish of St. Landry during the said period.

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

Section 4. Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included within the 2026 Budget.

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

- A motion was made by Councilman Ernest Blanchard, seconded by Councilman Faltery Jolivette to Adopt **Ordinance No. 2026-005**.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Dexter Brown. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-005
(Sponsored by: Councilman Dexter Brown)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH ORDINANCE SECTIONS 8-4, 8-6, 8-17, 8-18, 8-28, 8-29, 8-31, 8-36, AND 8-43, IN CHAPTER 8 – ANIMALS, OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO ENACT AND ORDAIN THAT THE ANIMAL ORDINANCES ARE CIVIL, AS WELL AS CRIMINAL, AND TO INCLUDE ANY AND ALL CIVIL REMEDIES TO ENFORCE THIS ORDINANCE

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS FOR ORDINANCE NO. 2026-005

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “Mr. Duplechain you asked to speak on this so you can explain to the council in reference to this on why we hired a judge to deal with these items.”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “It is the same as what we had spoken about earlier on the amendment to the noise ordinance where additional criminal penalties are making it civil. These animal ordinance have an Administrative Adjudicated Bureau and we can bring it to that. By making it civil as well as criminal we have more options. We have the option to go civil which would be an extra tool to enforce this. It is very similar to when we are amending this noise ordinance to make is civil as well criminal.”

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-005
(Sponsored by: Councilman Dexter Brown)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH ORDINANCE SECTIONS 8-4, 8-6, 8-17, 8-18, 8-28, 8-29, 8-31, 8-36, AND 8-43, IN CHAPTER 8 – ANIMALS, OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO ENACT AND ORDAIN THAT THE ANIMAL ORDINANCES ARE CIVIL, AS WELL AS CRIMINAL, AND TO INCLUDE ANY AND ALL CIVIL REMEDIES TO ENFORCE THIS ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 1-06 of the St. Landry Parish Home Rule Charter states that the parish government shall have the power to pass all ordinances necessary to promote, protect, and preserve the general welfare, safety, health, peace, and orderly conduct of the parish, and this includes the power to pass ordinances on all subject matters not inconsistent with the constitution or denied by state law;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT Sections 8-4, 8-6, 8-17, 8-18, 8-28, 8-29, 8-31, 8-36, and 8-43, in Chapter 8 – Animals, of the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and shall now read as follows:

Sec. 8-4. – Violations of this Chapter.

All violations of this Chapter may be charged as civil violations, and may be prosecuted through the St. Landry Parish administrative adjudication process. Violations of this Chapter which may also be charged criminally shall be so provided in the sections below.

Sec. 8-6. - Enforcement.

The St. Landry Parish President, St. Landry Parish code enforcement officers, St. Landry Parish animal control officers, and all law enforcement officers shall have the authority to enforce any and all of the regulations of this chapter and to issue civil violations notices, administrative hearing summons, and/or court citations for violations of the regulations and controls of this chapter. Such authority shall include, but shall not be limited to, the right to inspect commercial animal establishments, the right to inspect any premises or operations

which are or may be regulated by this chapter, and the right to request, obtain, and execute search warrants for these purposes as may be required by law.

Sec. 8-17. – Counterfeiting or misusing tag; removing tag.

- (a) Any person who counterfeits or imitates the tag as provided by animal control, or any person who shall put on an animal such counterfeit or imitation tag, or who shall use a tag on a dog for which it was not issued shall be charged with a civil violation or deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Each violation of this Section shall incur a fine not exceeding \$500.00, imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months if charged criminally, or both such fine and imprisonment if charged criminally.
- (b) Any person who shall maliciously or wantonly remove or cause to be removed, directly or indirectly, any such tag from the animal of another person shall be charged with a civil violation or deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Each violation of this Section shall incur a fine not exceeding \$500.00, imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months if charged criminally, or both such fine and imprisonment if charged criminally.

Sec. 8-18. – Administration.

The responsibility for the control of rabies within the Parish of St. Landry shall rest with the St. Landry Parish Animal Control. The St. Landry Parish Animal Control and the animal control officers shall be under the supervision and control of the animal control director.

Sec. 8-28. - Animal abuse/neglect.

- (a) Any person who intentionally or with criminal negligence commits any of the following shall be charged with a civil violation or charged criminally with cruelty to animals:
 - (1) Overdrives, overloads, drives when overloaded, or overworks a living animal;
 - (2) Tortures, harasses, torments, cruelly beats or unjustifiably injures, maims, mutilates, or cruelly kills any living animal whether belonging to himself or another;
 - (3) Having charge, custody, or possession of any animal, either as owner or otherwise, unjustifiably fails to provide it with proper feed, proper drink, proper shelter, or proper veterinary care;
 - (4) Abandons any animal. Abandoning animals includes but is not limited to the dumping of animals, whether dumping is performed by owner(s) of the animals or person(s) not considered to be owner(s), in any location outside of the supervision and control of the owner(s) where the needs of the animals cannot be met. A person shall not be considered to have abandoned an animal if he delivers to the St. Landry Parish Animal Control Shelter an animal which he found running at large. Returning community cats as part of the community diversion program to the location from which it was found does not constitute abandonment;
 - (5) Impounds or confines or causes to be impounded or confined in a pound or other place a living animal and fails to supply it during such confinement with proper feed, proper drink, and proper shelter;
 - (6) Carries, or causes to be carried, a living animal in or upon a vehicle, or otherwise, in a cruel or inhumane manner;
 - (7) Unjustifiably administers any poisonous or noxious drug or substance to any domestic animal or unjustifiably exposes any such drug or substance with intent that the drug or substance shall be taken or swallowed by any domestic animal;
 - (8) Cruelly kills or injures any animal belonging to another person without legal privilege or consent of the owner;
 - (9) Mistreats any living animal by any act or omission whereby unnecessary or unjustifiable physical pain, suffering, or death is caused to or permitted upon the animal;

(10) Fits any animal with a collar that becomes embedded in the animal's skin; and/or

(11) Causes or procures to be done by any person any act enumerated in this section.

(b) Each civil violation of this section shall incur a fine not exceeding \$500.00, each violation charged as a criminal violation shall incur a fine not to exceed \$500.00, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or both such fine and imprisonment if charged criminally.

(c) This section shall not apply to the lawful hunting or trapping of wildlife as provided by law, herding of domestic animals, accepted veterinary practices, and activities carried on for scientific or medical research governed by accepted standards.

Sec. 8-29. - Seizure and disposition of abused/neglected animals

- (a) When a person is issued a civil citation or charged with animal abuse/neglect, the animal control officer may seize any abused/neglected animal, as well as any other animal on the premises.
- (b) The seizing animal control officer shall, within 24 hours of seizure, notify the owner or the attendant of the seized animal of the provisions of this section by posting written notice at the location where the animal was seized or by leaving it with a person of suitable age and discretion residing at the location. When a person is issued a civil citation or charged with animal abuse/neglect for abandoning a confined animal, this written notice shall be within 24 hours of identifying the responsible person.
- (c) The seized animals shall be photographed and housed at the animal control shelter or with a suitable custodian determined by the animal control director. The seized animal shall be held by the custodian for a period of 15 consecutive days, including weekends and holidays, after notice of seizure is given. However, nothing in this section shall prevent the animal control director from humanely disposing of any animal that has been lawfully seized and impounded.
- (d) Any person claiming an interest in any animal seized pursuant to this section may prevent the disposition of the animal by posting a bond with the St. Landry Parish Animal Control within 15 days from the date that the initial notice of seizure was issued in an amount sufficient to secure payment for all reasonable costs incurred in the boarding and treatment for any seized animal for a 30-day period commencing on the date of the initial seizure. The amount of the bond shall be determined by the animal control director in accordance with the current rate for board and on the condition of the animal. Such bond shall not prevent the division of animal control or its agents from disposing of the animal at the end of the 30-day period covered by the bond unless the person claiming an interest posts an additional bond for such reasonable expenses for the additional 30-day period. In addition, nothing shall prevent the euthanasia of any seized animal, at any time, whether or not any bond was posted, if a licensed veterinarian determines that the animal is not likely to survive and is suffering as a result of physical condition. In such instances, the court, in its discretion, may order the return of any bond posted, less reasonable costs, at the time of trial.
- (e) Upon a person's conviction of animal abuse/neglect, it shall be proper for the court, in its discretion, to order for forfeiture and final determination of the custody of any animal found to be abused, neglected, or abandoned in accordance with this section and the forfeiture of the bond posted. The court may, in its discretion, order payment of any reasonable or additional costs incurred in the boarding or veterinary treatment of any seized animal prior to its disposition whether or not a bond was posted. In the event of the acquittal of final discharge without held conviction of the accused, the court shall, on demand, direct the delivery of any animal held in custody to the owner thereof and order the return of any bond posted, less reasonable administrative costs.

Sec. 8-31. - Animal fighting.

(a) No person shall intentionally do any of the following:

(1) For amusement or gain, cause any animal to fight with any other animal or cause any animals to injure each other.

(2) Permit any act in violation of subsection (a)(1) of this section to be done on any premises under his charge or control or aid or abet any such act.

(3) Promote, stage, advertise, or be employed at an exhibition which involves the fighting of animals.

(4) Sell a ticket of admission or receive money for the admission of any person to any place used or about to be used for any activity described in subsection (a)(1) of this section.

(5) Own, manage, or operate any facility kept or used for the purpose of fighting animals.

(b) Each violation of this Section shall incur a civil fine not exceeding \$500.00, or if charged criminally shall incur a fine not exceeding \$500.00, imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or both such fine and imprisonment if charged criminally.

Sec. 8-36. - Keeping of potentially dangerous or dangerous animals.

The keeping of potentially dangerous or dangerous animals as defined herein shall be subject to the following requirements:

- (1) *Leash.* No person having charge, custody, control, or possession of a potentially dangerous or dangerous animal shall allow the animal to exit its kennel, pen, or other proper enclosure unless such animal is securely attached to a leash not more than four feet in length. No such person shall permit a potentially dangerous or dangerous animal to be kept on a chain, rope, or other type of leash outside a kennel or pen unless a person capable of controlling the animal is in physical control of the leash.
- (2) *Muzzle.* It shall be unlawful for any owner or keeper of a potentially dangerous or dangerous animal to allow the animal to be outside of its secure enclosure unless it is necessary for the animal to receive veterinary care or exercise. In such cases, an animal shall wear a properly fitted muzzle to prevent it from biting humans or other animals. Such muzzle shall not interfere with the animal's breathing or vision.
- (3) *Confinement.* Except when leashed and muzzled as provided in this section, a potentially dangerous or dangerous animal shall be in a secure enclosure.
- (4) *Signs.* All owners, keepers, or harborers of potentially dangerous or dangerous animals shall display in a prominent place on their premises a sign easily readable by the public using the words "Beware of Animal," or "Beware of Dog," or "Dangerous Dog," or "Dangerous Animal."
- (5) *Liability insurance, surety bond.* The owner of a dangerous animal shall present to the St. Landry Animal Control proof that the owner has procured liability insurance or a surety bond in the amount of not less than \$100,000.00 covering each animal so declared for any damage or injury that may be caused by each such dangerous animal. The liability insurance policy or surety bond shall contain a provision requiring that the St. Landry Parish Government be notified immediately by the agent issuing the policy or bond or by the company issuing the policy or bond in the event that the insurance policy or bond is canceled, terminated, or is about to expire. The liability insurance or surety bond shall be obtained prior to the issuing of a permit to keep a dangerous animal. The animal owner shall sign a statement attesting that the animal owner shall maintain and not voluntarily cancel the liability insurance policy or the surety bond at any time during which the owner possesses the dangerous animal. The appropriateness of the liability insurance or of the surety bond must be approved by the animal control director.
- (6) *Notification of escape.* The owner, keeper, or harbinger of a potentially dangerous or dangerous animal shall notify the animal control director immediately if such animal escapes from its enclosure or restraint and is at large. Such immediate notification shall also be required if the animal bites or attacks a person or domestic animal. The person in charge of any animal which, at the time of its escape, has been declared potentially dangerous or dangerous shall also be personally liable for any damage that may result from the animal's escape as well as any costs of its capture.
- (7) *Failure to comply.* Any owner, keeper, or harbinger of a potentially dangerous or dangerous animal registered with the animal control director who fails to comply with the requirements and conditions set forth in this article shall be charged with a civil violation or deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Whoever violates this provision and is charged with a civil violation shall be fined not more than \$300.00, or if they are charged with a criminal misdemeanor they

shall be fined not more than \$300.00. Any animal found to be in violation of this article shall be subject to immediate seizure and impoundment. In addition, failure to comply with the requirements and conditions set forth in this article shall result in a revocation of the animal's license and the permit providing for the keeping of such animal.

Sec. 8-43. – Violations charged civilly or criminally.

(a) Any violation of any provision of this article may be charged as a civil violation or as a misdemeanor. Furthermore, the filing of a false complaint by any person under the provisions of this article may be charged as a civil violation or as a misdemeanor. Furthermore, the providing of false information by any person subject to the provisions of this article may be charged as a civil violation or as a misdemeanor.

(b) In addition to any other sanction, fine, or penalty herein expressed, each violation of any provision of this article or of any rule or regulation adopted or issued in pursuance to this article may incur a civil fine not exceeding \$500.00, or if charged criminally shall incur a fine not exceeding \$500.00, imprisonment for a term not exceeding 30 days, or both such fine and imprisonment if charged criminally. Each act of violation and each day upon which any such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate offense.

(c) The St. Landry Parish Government may also pursue all other available remedies such as, but not limited to, injunctive relief and revocation of licenses or permits.

● A motion was made by Councilwoman Nancy Carriere, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to **Adopt Ordinance No. 2026-006.**

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

WHEREUPON, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-006

(Sponsored by: Councilwoman Nancy Carriere)

AN ORDINANCE TO SELL THE FOLLOWING 15 PROPERTIES LISTED ON THIS ORDINANCE THAT HAVE BEEN ADJUDICATED TO ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS FOR ORDINANCE NO. 2026-006

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Are there any questions in reference to this Ordinance?”

Councilman Ken Marks questioned, “These numbers from 1-15, are those new ones or they some that we previously had looked at?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “No these are the ones that we are going to be selling. That is the minimum bid that we are going to be putting down.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin questioned, “Have you set a date for the time of the sale? It is not in this ordinance.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “It should have the date and time in the ordinance itself.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “I will look at our agenda I don’t know if it is listed.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated. We have set dates for all of our adjudicated property sales I don’t know if it needs to be place in this ordinance or not but we do have a set date for every one of them.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “There is no date set.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard questioned, “Garett, should we place the date in the ordinance of when we are going to be doing the sale?”

Legal Counsel Garrett Duplechain stated, “In the ordinance we could put the date. I don’t know if we have done that before but we could put the date for the sale as to when it will be offered up for public sale.”

Councilman Ken Marks questioned, “I was just wondering you have a designated day and time frame, what is that date?”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “It is once every quarter. We have the dates and I think that we should place it in the ordinance. This particular sale should be posted. I think it should be place in every ordinance. That way this ordinance will reflect that one date of sale”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “When it goes into the legal news it needs to have the date.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere state, “I think the date is April. I think it was on the first time that she presented the list. I think that it is April. We always usually put the date, time and place because if the public wanted to attend they could attend.”

Assistant Council Clerk Karen Barlow stated, “The date is April 2, 2026.”

Councilwoman Nancy Carriere stated, “We also place where it will be held. It is always held in the same place which is here if the public wants to come.”

Chairman Wayne Ardoin stated, “It is at 6:00 p.m. here in the Council Chambers on April 2, 2026.”

Parish President Jessie Bellard stated, “It is live on Facebook.”

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-006
(Sponsored by: Councilwoman Nancy Carriere)

AN ORDINANCE TO SELL THE FOLLOWING 15 PROPERTIES LISTED ON THIS ORDINANCE 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, plus the amount due on any liens, judgments, mortgages, and/or encumbrances that may be on each adjudicated property.

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, plus the amount due on any liens, judgments, mortgages, and/or encumbrances that may be on each of the following adjudicated properties:

| No. | Parcel No. | Physical Address | Property Owner | Starting Bid |
|-----|------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1 | 0104457000 | 194 RANCH ROAD | CARL KEITH DUGAS | \$ 500.00 |
| 2 | 0106284610 | 317 FLEUR DES COTEAU | GARY RICHARD | \$1,100.00 |
| 3 | 0200111000 | 132 JOAN STREET | ARMOND DARBY | \$ 500.00 |
| 4 | 8400512010 | DEJEAN SUBDIV | TRENELLA FRANCIS | \$ 500.00 |
| 5 | 8400737305 | BLK 10 BROUILLETTE ADD | EDWARD EUGENE SOILEAU | \$ 500.00 |
| 6 | 8401106000 | SECTION ST/CHURCH ST | BETTY BIHM JOHNSON | \$ 500.00 |
| 7 | 8401136000 | HATFIELD SUB 4-9 | GUS THOMAS JR. | \$ 500.00 |
| 8 | 8401241500 | 6470 HWY 103 | LACEY DUPLCHAIN ETALS | \$ 500.00 |
| 9 | 8500080500 | MOORE ADD N CLINTON | CARLTON/WIFE FREEMAN SR. | \$ 500.00 |
| 10 | 8500100500 | WASHINGTON ST. | JOHN HENDERSON JR. | \$ 500.00 |
| 11 | 8600508650 | GEORGE ST | WILBERT DAVILLE | \$ 500.00 |
| 12 | 8601179600 | 230 E. ASH ST | EMMETT KIBODEAUX | \$ 500.00 |
| 13 | 8601523000 | 210 EAST ST | PRESTON MILLER | \$ 500.00 |
| 14 | 8602006000 | 230 S. MALLET | DARIUS & MATHIAS TATE | \$ 500.00 |
| 15 | 8600115500 | 230 OLIVIA ST | ISABELLA ARVIE | \$ 500.00 |

**XI. RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED:
There were none.**

XII. COMMITTEE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Ken Marks, seconded by Councilman Ernest Blanchard to accept the **Administrative Finance Committee Meeting Minutes** from **Wednesday, February 4th, 2026** as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Dexter Brown, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Nancy Carriere and Dexter Brown. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

A motion was made by Councilman Jimmie Edwards, seconded by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry to accept the **Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes** from **Wednesday, February 4th, 2026** as transcribed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Dexter Brown. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

XIII. ADJOURN:

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

On roll call vote: YEAS: Jody White, Nancy Carriere, Faltery Jolivette, Mildred Thierry, Harold Taylor, Ken Marks, Alvin Stelly, Vivian Olivier, Timmy Lejeune, Jimmie Edwards and Ernest Blanchard. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Dexter Brown. **ABSTAINED:** None. **WHEREUPON**, this motion was adopted on this, the 18th, day of February, 2026.

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