

MINUTES

Livingston Parish
March 24, 2022

Pursuant to notice duly posted in the public lobby of the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, the Livingston Parish Finance Committee met on Thursday, March 24, 2022, at the hour of five fifty-three (5:53) p.m. with the following members present:

Gerald McMorris
Jeff Ard
Maurice "Scooter" Keen- Chair

Also Present: Jennifer Meyers, Finance Director

The Chair, called the meeting to order and asked the Council Clerk to call the roll.

The chair addressed agenda item 3, "Old Business". Having none, the chair then called upon Jennifer Meyers, Finance Director, to address agenda item number 4, "New Business".

Ms. Meyers advised that the committee members all have a finance committee packet in front of them and that this will be the first time they will be seeing the 2022 numbers. She also brought to attention how well permits are doing this year compared to this time last year. She also wants to bring sales tax to the Council's attention. She said she mentioned at the at meeting she was going to increase the budget for the 2022 year based on how well sales tax has continued to grow (average growth is 7% since 2009.) Estimating at increasing 7% would give over \$3 million extra. Next, Ms. Meyers went over the check register from the last meeting until then. She stated they had finished paying invoiced for debris clean up from Hurricane Ida but are still waiting on a few things from 2021 then that year will be closed out and she will send everything to the auditors. Mr. Keen asked if she had any idea when the last few things would be coming in, and she did not know.

Mr. Keen asked if anyone had anything else to address.

Councilman Garry Talbert asked Ms. Meyers if she knew how much of the ARPA money that they had, how much has already been allocated at that time. She was not completely sure, but said she thinks they have penciled in around \$12 million so far, which was not even half of the total they would be receiving. She stated that they would be getting the second \$13.673 million in June.

The chair then asked if anyone in the audience had any questions or comments.

Having no other business to come before the committee, it was moved and agreed that the Livingston Parish Finance Committee adjourn.

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by Gerald McMorris for the Livingston Parish Finance Committee to adjourn until the next Finance Committee is called.

YEAS: MR. MCMORRIS, MR. KEEN, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted and that the meeting was adjourned.

\s\ Caroline Harris

Caroline Harris, Deputy Clerk

\s\ Maurice Keen

Maurice Keen, Chair