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**Livingston Parish Finance Committee
February 22, 2024**

Pursuant to notice duly posted in the public lobby of the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, the Livingston Parish Finance Committee met on Thursday, February 22, 2024, at the hour of five (5:00) p.m. with the following members present:

John Mangus – Chair
Lonnie Watts
Joseph Erdey

Also Present: Mickey McMorris, Finance Director

The chair called the meeting to order and called roll.

The Chair addressed the agenda item, “Old Business.” Mr. Mangus explained there was no update on mosquito abatement at this time.

The Chair then asked Mr. McMorris to speak briefly on adjudicated properties. Mr. McMorris explained that it is a complicated endeavor. It would need to go through many offices within the Parish, then get sent to a company called Civic Source. He also explained that it is complicated due to rented mobile homes and land.

The Chair addressed item 7b, Discussion of Legal Representation. Mr. Mangus explained that he and the Parish President went through the budget the night before and he got a better understanding of what is being paid along with the budget being reduced and thinks at this point there is no problem and will go forward with how it is.

Councilwoman Erin Sandefur came to the podium and said she would like an itemized list of what the Parish is charged for. Brad Cascio explained that everything was emailed that day with what the Moody Law Firm covers. The Chair also explained that everything is billed on a retainer. Mrs. Sandefur also questioned if The Moody Law Firm “subs out” attorneys on the Council’s behalf. District Attorney Scott Perrilloux came to the podium and said he would find out some information on what Mrs. Sandefur asked. He also explained there when an attorney is retained, they do not keep an itemized bill for everything they do for the client. He also explained that Mr. Moody is a great attorney and that is why he has assigned him to represent Livingston Parish. He believes the Parish is getting a good deal under the current contract with The Moody Law Firm.

The Chair asked if there was any other business to discuss.

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 Joseph Erdy and seconded by Lonnie Watts; the meeting was adjourned.

1st Caroline Lockhart
Caroline Lockhart, Deputy Clerk

1st John Mangus
John Mangus, Chair