

MINUTES

Livingston Parish September 8, 2020

Pursuant to notice duly posted in the public lobby of the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, the Livingston Parish Ordinance Committee met on September 8, 2020, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. in the Parish Council Chambers, located in the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, 20355 Governmental Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana with the following members present:

Shane Mack
Maurice "Scooter" Keen
Garry Talbert - Vice-chair
Tracy Girlinghouse – Chairman

The Chair, Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse, called the meeting to order and asked the Deputy Clerk, Angie Cornett, to call the roll. All were in attendance.

The Chair read agenda item 3a, "Review, Discussion and Recommendation(s) of Ordinance(s): New Business, Discussion of Section 125-9 "Submittals": (b)(8) The original of the final plat must be submitted to the review engineer and Parish President and/or Planning Director for approval and signature. After all fees are paid, the plat is approved and signed, and the O/D/S shall record a copy of the plat in the official records of the clerk of court and provide four (4) certified copies to the Planning Commission office. Once the final plat has been signed and/or filed, no lots can be re-subdivided." Initially, there was discrepancy as to why item (b)(8) was on the agenda. The Vice- chair, Councilman Talbert wondered if the Planning Commission wanted it put in another/different section, or if it was a duplication of what had already been done due to a meeting cancellation because of Hurricane Laura. Councilman Girlinghouse read (c)(f) "Once the final plat has been signed and/or filed, no lots can be re-subdivided," He wanted to discuss an exception to the subdivision ordinance when subdividing property. Councilman Talbert interjected that it must be why item (b)(8) was put on the agenda in subdivisions without improvements and that it would be an effort to eliminate some of continued waiver requests that they were getting. The board discussed the idea that "if a driveway touched a state highway, meaning a parish road is not affected, then the original lot could be divided once." The Chair allowed an extensive discussion on the topic and Councilman Mack questioned several aspects of the proposed amendment and felt that by regulating one issue, it could bring about additional problems. They agreed to revisit this during the next meeting on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. and Councilman Talbert would reach out to Legal Counsel, Chris Moody to answer some questions before the next meeting.

The Chair moved to item 3b, Section 125-25. "Drainage impact study/drainage design requirements." (7)(a) *Storm sewers and swale ditches: fifteen (15') foot minimum servitude.* Councilman Talbert explained the reasoning behind the amendment to eliminate the swale ditch exception which would be recommended for introduction during the September 10, 2020 council meeting since Hurricane Laura had caused the August 27th meeting cancellation. *Note: This item was discussed during the August 18, 2020 Ordinance Committee meeting.* Councilman Talbert added that there was a second part to this item that they'd need to address later in regard to servitude width compared to depth of storm sewer. Councilman Mack wondered if that should be reviewed in Planning and designed by the engineer. A brief discussion continued.

The Deputy Clerk, Angie Cornett, handed the Chair a paper. He and the Vice-chair wished to add Type D Roads to the next Ordinance Committee meeting agenda and did not want to address it under “Other” or “Old Business” at the current time.

The Chair moved to item 4, Old Business: Review, Discussion and Recommendation(s) of Ordinance(s), and the Vice-chair wanted to see Grinder Pumps on the next agenda. Councilman Keen addressed the un-named constituent in the room who was in attendance for the Grinder Pump ordinance. The Chair explained that the item was an over-sight that was accidentally left off the agenda.

The Chair addressed item 5, Other Business and there was none.

Having no further business, a motion was made to adjourn until the next meeting of the Livingston Parish Ordinance Committee.

A **MOTION** was offered by Garry Talbert and duly seconded by Shane Mack to adjourn the September 8, 2020 meeting of the Livingston Parish Ordinance Committee, with no further discussion and where none opposed.

Angie Cornett, Deputy Clerk

Tracy Girlinghouse, Chair