

**Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council
Livingston, Louisiana
October 11, 2018**

The Livingston Parish Council met in regular session duly called, advertised, and convened at its regular meeting place, the Parish Council Chambers, Governmental Building, 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, on Thursday, October 11, 2018, at the hour of six (6:00) o'clock p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

Jeff Ard	John Wascom	Tracy Girlinghouse
Garry "Frog" Talbert	R.C. "Bubba" Harris	
Maurice "Scooter" Keen	Jeff Averett	

Absent: Shane Mack, Tab Lobell

Also present: Huey Comeaux, Assistant Director of the Department of Public Works, representing in the absence of Parish President Layton Ricks;
Jennifer Meyers, Parish Finance Director;
Christopher Moody, Parish Legal Counsel

The chair asked the public to please mute or turn off their cell phones.

The chair announced that Public Input would be accepted from any member of the audience wishing to address an agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item 7, "Presentations". Having none, he moved to the next agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item 8, "Adoption of the Minutes from the September 27, 2018 regular meeting of the Council".

LPR NO. 18-306

MOTION was made by Garry "Frog" Talbert and duly seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen to dispense with the reading of the minutes dated September 27, 2018 and adopt as written.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR.
WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 9, Parish President's Report: "Off System Bridge Program: Adopt annual certification of compliance with the State of Louisiana Off-System Bridge Replacement Program" and called upon Mr. Huey Comeaux. Councilman Garry "Frog" Talbert and Mr. Comeaux discussed the bridge weight currently posted in Oak Hills Subdivision. Mr. Comeaux explained that the rate of twenty-five forty (25-40) came from the specifications of the state, and that they try to help protect the bridges by lowering them. Councilman Garry Talbert later asked for clarification on whether the state recommended the fifteen (15) ton rating. Mr. Comeaux again stated that they just try to lower them to keep them held down to avoid excess tonnage. Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen thought that the current posting of fifteen (15) tons should be changed to twenty-five forty (25-40). Chad Bacas of Forte and Tablada is a Parish Review Engineer, he approached the podium and stated that the bridge was looked at structurally after the flood, and he also noted that it was still twenty-five forty (25-40).

LPR NO. 18-307

MOTION was made by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by John Wascom to amend the annual certification of compliance with the State of Louisiana Off-System Bridge Replacement Program for the period of October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2019 which establish load limits on bridges within the Off-System Bridge Program by changing the posting on the Oak Hills Subdivision Bridge from fifteen (15) tons to twenty-five forty (25-40) tons.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

STATE OF LOUISIANA

LPR NO. 18-308

MOTION was offered by Maurice “Scooter” Keen and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to adopt the annual certification of compliance with State of Louisiana Off-System Bridge Replacement Program for the period October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2019 and establish the load limits on bridges within the Off-System Bridge Program and post said limits as marked in Exhibit A.

Exhibit A

RECALL#	BRIDGE NAME:	WEIGHT:	POSTED AS:
101001	SOUTH SATSUMA ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101002	SOUTH SATSUMA ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101006	FORREST DELATTE ROAD	NO LIMIT	25-40
101007	FORREST DELATTE ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101009	WAX ROAD	NO LIMIT	OPEN NO POSTING
101013	JOE MAY ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101017	PERKINS ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101018	DUFF ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101019	BURGESS ROAD	25-40	20-35
101020	HOOD ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101021	HOOD ROAD	25-40	10-15
101022	HAMMACK ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101023	MILTON ROAD	25-40	10-15

101025	GAYLORD ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101028	BLACKMUD ROAD	NO LIMIT	15-25
101032	COURTNEY ROAD	NO LIMIT	10-15
101034	VARNADO ROAD	20-35	20-30
101035	STAFFORD ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101036	LOD STAFFORD ROAD	15-25	10-15
101038	WES ARLEDGE ROAD	25-40	25-40
101039	TEXAS STREET	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101040	SOUTH RANGE ROAD	20-35	10-15
101042	NORTH SATSUMA ROAD	20-35	10-15
101043	NORTH DOYLE ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101044	GENE HUGHES ROAD	25-40	10-15
101045	CHARLES HOLDEN ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101047	JACK RHODUS ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101048	FRANK BALLARD ROAD	15-25	10-15
101049	PERRILLOUX ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101052	HOOD ROAD	25-40	10-15
101053	PALMER ROAD	10-15	10-15
101054	PALMER ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
10155	MILLER ROAD	10-15	10-15
101060	OLD RIVER ROAD	10-15	10-15
101061	CHINQUAPIN STREET	NO LIMIT	10-15
101065	OLD RIVER ROAD	25-40	25-40
101066	RICHARDSON ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101071	GEORGE WHITE ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101072	PARDUE ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101076	JAMES CHAPEL ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101078	HENRY WHITE ROAD	25-40	10-15
101079	PEA RIDGE ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101080	OLD CC ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101081	WAGNER ROAD	NO LIMIT	10-15
101082	PEA RIDGE ROAD	10-15	10-15
101083	MARY KINCHEN ROAD	25-40	10-15
101086	W. HUBERT STILLEY ROAD	25-40	25-40

101088	ELBERT STEWART ROAD	NO LIMIT	25-40
101089	HORSESHOE NORTH ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101090	NORTH HORSESHOE ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
101093	GEORGE MASHON	10-15	10-15
101094	SCIVICQUE ROAD	20-35	20-35
620002	WEST BATES ROAD	NO LIMIT	10-15
620011	CLEARWATER DRIVE	20-35	20-35
620012	GENE BUCKEL ROAD	20-35	15-25
620017	KINGS DRIVE	20-35	10-15
620018	WHITTINGTON ROAD	10-15	10-15
620019	JOHN L LANE	NO LIMIT	10-15
620024	WHIT HOLDEN ROAD	NO LIMIT	10-15
620036	BUDDY ELLIS	NO LIMIT	10-15
620038	JOHN BARBER ROAD	10-15	10-15
620039	CLINE ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
620041	CROSSOVER ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
620051	SHADOW SPRINGS BOULEVARD	20-35	15-25
620077	RICHARDSON ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
620144	A.J. WILLIAMS ROAD	25-40	10-15
620145	ROBBIE LEE ROAD	25-40	10-15
620146	OAK HILLS SUBDIVISON	NO LIMIT	25-40
620147	BLACK LAKE CLUB ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
620190	WILDWOOD DRIVE	20-35	20-35
620191	JR MCLIN ROAD	25-40	20-35
620193	ACADIANA PLACE SUBDIVISON	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
620237	BUDDY ELLIS ROAD	NO LIMIT	NO POSTING
620264	BANKSTON ROAD SOUTH	25-40	10-15
620016	CARROL AVENUE	20-35	10-15
101024	LINDER ROAD	20-35	10-15
101069	MCCARROL ROAD	NO LIMIT	10-15
620014	TRAVIS STREET	BRIDGE CLOSED	
620291	OAK RIDGE DRIVE	NO LIMIT	20-35
620303	WILLIE WALKER ROAD	10-15	10-15
620305	GINNY LANE	10-15	10-15

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

LPR NO. 18-308

MOTION was offered by Maurice “Scooter” Keen and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to adopt the annual certification of compliance with State of Louisiana Off-System Bridge Replacement Program for the period October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2019, and establish the load limits on bridges within the Off-System Bridge Program and post said limits.

WHEREAS, the code of Federal Regulations as enacted by the United States Congress mandates that all structures defined as bridges located on all public roads shall be inspected, rated for safe load capacity and posted in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and that an inventory of these bridges be maintained by each State; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility to inspect, rate and load post those bridges under the authority of Livingston Parish in accordance with those Standards is delegated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to Livingston Parish.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing authority of Livingston Parish (herein referred to as the Parish) that the Parish in regular meeting assembled does hereby certify to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (herein referred to as the DOTD) that for the period 1 October 2018 through 30 September 2019:

1. The Parish will perform all interim inspections on all Parish owned or maintained bridges in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish will be structurally analyzed and rated by the Parish as to the safe load capacity in accordance with AASHTO Manual for Maintenance Inspection of Bridges. The load posting information that has been determined above will be critically reviewed by the Parish. Load posting information will be updated by the Parish to reflect all structural changes, any obsolete structural ratings or any missing structural ratings.
2. All Parish owned or maintained bridges which require load posting or closing shall be load posted or closed in accordance with the table in the DOTD Engineering Directives and Standards Manual Directive No. 1.1.1.8. All DOTD supplied load posting information concerning a bridge shall be critically reviewed by an engineer hired by the Parish prior to load posting.
3. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish are shown on the attached list in the format specified by the DOTD. Corrections to data supplied to the Parish by the LA DOTD are noted.

Upon being subjected to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR.
WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 10, “Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness-Mark Harrell” and having no business to report he moved on to the next item/s of concern.

The chair addressed agenda items 11a through 11c, “Planning Commission Recommendations” and called upon Natalie Allen in the absence of the Planning Director, Mr. Sam Digirolamo. Mrs. Allen stated that the first item was a waiver for Williams Home Builders also known as TJR Properties which she thought was on the sign. Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse said that the man

had about 78.9 feet instead of the eighty, and due to the depth of the lot, he didn't have a problem with it.

LPR NO. 18-309

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Gary "Frog" Talbert to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and to approve the waiver on the lot width for Williams Home Builders, located on Leach Lane in Council District No. 7, Section 47, T6S R3E.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 18-310

MOTION was made by Maurice "Scooter" Keen and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and to approve the Preliminary Plat for Laurel Lakes, located on Burgess Road in Council District No. 3, Section 15, T6S R3E.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Mrs. Natalie Allen introduced item 11c and stated that the Planning Commission made the recommendation to approve it. Councilman Garry Talbert addressed Chad Bacas who was sitting in the audience and stated that "this was that inside track that they keep turning eighteen wheelers in and they keep falling off on that turn lane." Chad Bacas approached the podium and replied that he thought that the state has already said something, and that it was supposed to be corrected. The chair allowed a brief discussion to continue and Councilman Scooter Keen noted that this was just a preliminary plat.

LPR NO. 18-311

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Garry "Frog" Talbert to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and to approve Tract F for Juban Market Place, located on Juban Road in Council District No. 7, Section 4, T5S R3E.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 12, **Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 18-23**, Amend Section 13-54, “Streets”, Making Provisions for the Continuation of Existing Streets in Adjoining Areas on Each Side of the Development” by reading the agenda item and opening the public hearing. Councilman Talbert reminded them that this item was to be deferred until the October 25th meeting, and inquired of the Council Clerk, Sandy Teal, as to if the title had to be read or not. Mrs. Teal stated that she did not need to read it. Councilman Jeff Ard asked if anyone needed to comment on the item. With none, he closed the public hearing. Having no further comment from the Councilmembers and none from the audience, the chair called for the vote. Councilman John Wascom mentioned that Councilman Shane Mack wanted to defer it to the ordinance committee which would be meeting the next Thursday night.

LPR NO. 18-312

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Garry “Frog” Talbert to defer the public hearing and adoption of proposed ordinance L.P. No. 18-23 until the October 25, 2018 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 13, “Adopt resolution to (re)schedule the November and December regular meetings of the Council due to the holidays– Jeff Ard” since the November 22, 2018 meeting falls on Thanksgiving Day and the December 27th meeting falls on the day that the office staff returns from Christmas holidays. They held a brief discussion and Councilman Garry Talbert posed a question to Mr. Chris Moody to advise if the meetings could be cancelled since the Home Rule Charter states that we meet twice monthly. Mr. Moody replied that they technically have to meet, but if they don’t have business to conduct, such as important deadlines and budgets, then if there is no agenda on the meeting, and no quorum, then it would be cancelled. It was decided to table the discussion until the November 8, 2018 and December 13, 2018 regular meetings of the council.

The chair addressed agenda item 14, “Discuss upcoming Trunk-or-Treat event at South Park – R.C. “Bubba’ Harris”. Councilman R.C. “Bubba” Harris discussed the upcoming event and urged anyone wanting to volunteer or to donate to contact the council office.

The chair addressed agenda item 15, “District Attorney Report(s):” and called upon Mr. Christopher Moody who advised that he had no report at this time.

The chair addressed agenda item 16, “Committee Reports”. The Ordinance Committee Chair, Shane Mack, was not present, but Councilman Jeff Ard wanted to remind everyone that the next meeting would be on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Councilman Garry Talbert hoped to complete the Junk Car, Entrance and Connectivity Ordinances at that time.

The chair called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse who advised that the sales tax looked good and in addition, Ms. Jennifer Meyers, Parish Finance Director, had informed the committee that there was an additional two (2) million dollars going into the road overlay program for this year, and additional monies next year totaling eight (8) million in 2019 for the road overlay. She went

on to add that, if we have no major issues and the sales tax is still increased then that could be bumped up.

The chair addressed agenda item 17, “Councilmen’s Comments”. Councilman Maurice “Scooter” Keen wanted to congratulate his son Patrick, who is a senior at Live Oak High School, for officially becoming an Eagle Scout.

Councilman Jeff Ard wanted to mention that he had gone to the shoot for the Gifted and Talented Program. He thanked those who came out to support the event.

Having no further business, the chair requested a motion to adjourn until the next regular meeting scheduled on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at the hour of six (6:00) o’clock p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

LPR NO. 18-313

MOTION was offered by R.C. “Bubba” Harris and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to adjourn the October 11, 2018 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Angie McMorris Cornett, Deputy Clerk

Jeff Ard, Council Chairman