

**Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council
Livingston, Louisiana
October 25, 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 25, 2018, at the hour of six (6:00) o'clock p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

Jeff Ard
Garry "Frog" Talbert

John Wascom
R.C. "Bubba" Harris

Tracy Girlinghouse
Tab Lobell
Shane Mack

Also present: Jennifer Meyers, Parish Finance Director, representing in the absence of the Parish President
Christopher Moody, Parish Legal Counsel

Absent: Jeff Averett, Maurice "Scooter" Keen
Parish President Layton Ricks

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", and called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse. Councilman Girlinghouse wished to recognize Westin Cobb, from Walker High School, who was in attendance in the audience, for his achievement of obtaining the title of Louisiana State 4-H President. Councilman Girlinghouse explained to the audience members about Mr. Cobb's achievements, giving a brief biography, and presented him with a Certificate of Achievement from the Livingston Parish Council. He expressed how proud that he, along with the other members of the Livingston Parish Council, were of Mr. Cobb's accomplishments. The chair asked if he would like to address the Councilmembers. Mr. Cobb explained his history with the 4-H Program and what this program has meant to him in his achievements that led to his leadership activity.

The chair allowed time for a photo opportunity and the Council members congratulated Mr. Cobb, giving him well wishes and accolades on his leadership accomplishments.

The chair addressed agenda item 8, "Adoption of the Minutes from the October 11, 2018 regular meeting of the Council".

LPR NO. 18-314

MOTION was made by John Wascom and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to dispense with the reading of the minutes for the October 11, 2018 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council and adopt as written.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD,
MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 9, "Introduction of Ordinance – ...GOMESA projects", and called upon Mr. Jim Ryan, Parish Financial Advisor-Government Consultants, Inc.

Mr. Ryan greeted the Council members and read the proposed ordinance by title. He explained that this was only the introduction of the ordinance at this time.

The following ordinance was introduced in proper written form and read by title, to wit:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 18-24

An ordinance authorizing the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana to proceed with a not to exceed \$9,000,000 financing through the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority; authorizing and ratifying the Parish’s request of the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority to issue its revenue bonds; authorizing the borrowing by the Parish of the proceeds from the sale thereof to finance qualified GOMESA projects and providing for the repayment of and security therefor; approving and ratifying within certain parameters the terms of the sale of the bonds; authorizing the form and execution of the Loan and Assignment Agreement; authorizing the form of and execution of an agreement for the purchase of the bonds and ancillary financing documents; and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

LPR NO. 18-315

MOTION was offered by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by R.C. “Bubba” Harris to publish the ordinance by title in the Official Journal in accordance with the legal mandates and set a Public Hearing for Thursday, November 8, 2018 at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. at the Parish Council Chambers in the Governmental Building located at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time comments will be received on the proposed ordinance prior to a Council vote.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 10, “Parish President’s Report”. Ms. Jennifer Meyers, Parish Finance Director, approached the Councilmembers and explained that she would be taking care of the agenda items under the Parish President’s report as he had to leave early for another event that evening.

Ms. Meyers explained the need for the purchase of property for the Department of Public Works that would enlarge its employee parking and also give an expansion of their yard that was very much needed. She further advised that the Parish was obtaining the property from Weyerhaeuser for a third (1/3) of the appraised value.

Councilman Garry “Frog” Talbert questioned if the proposed land was located in the city of Livingston or was it located in the parish? He also questioned if the current land that the Department of Public Works was located on, was located in the municipality of Livingston? Ms. Meyers answered in the affirmative on the first question and there was a short open discussion on the second question that concluded as being that the current property of the Department of Public Works was located inside the municipal limits of Livingston.

The following ordinance was introduced in proper written form and read by title, to wit:

LIVINGSTON PARISH ORDINANCE NO. 18-25

AN ORDINANCE TO PURCHASE A 3.660 ACRE TRACT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ADJOINING THE EXISTING LIVINGSTON PARISH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FACILITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENSION AND FUTURE EXPANSION OF SAID DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ALL AS MORE FULLY SET FORTH HEREIN.

LPR NO. 18-316

MOTION was offered by John Wascom and duly seconded by Garry “Frog” Talbert to publish the ordinance by title in the Official Journal in accordance with the legal mandates and set

a Public Hearing for Thursday, November 8, 2018 at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. at the Parish Council Chambers in the Governmental Building located at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time comments will be received on the proposed ordinance prior to a Council vote.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Ms. Meyers continued and addressed agenda item 10b, “Resolution to accept Livingston Parish Detention Center Pharmaceutical Sealed Proposal, as presented by LPDC Medical Director, Cheryl Smith,” and advised that Ms. Smith was in attendance in the audience if anyone had any questions.

Councilman Garry “Frog” Talbert questioned who did the evaluations of the bids? Ms. Meyers advised that Cheryl Smith, Medical Director and Jennifer Fradella, Parish Purchasing agent did the evaluations and explained the bidding and grading selection process in great detail.

Ms. Cheryl Smith came from the audience and addressed the Councilmembers. She explained how the bids received were evaluated and how they came to make their determination for their recommendation to the Council. She answered questions received from the Councilmembers regarding pharmaceutical pricing and dispensing fees.

LPR NO. 18-317

MOTION was made by John Wascom and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to accept the detention center pharmaceutical bid received from Contract Pharmacy Services upon the recommendation received from the Parish President’s office and Cheryl Smith, Livingston Parish Detention Center Medical Director, and further authorize the Parish President to enter into any applicable agreement of contract for this service.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Ms. Meyers addressed agenda item 10c, “Accept Auditor, Year Ending 12/31/2018 RFP, as presented by Finance Director, Jennifer Meyers”, and explained the bidding process and the results received.

LPR NO. 18-318

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Garry “Frog” Talbert to accept the recommendation received from Administration’s Finance Department and accept the lowest responsive bid from LaPorte, APAC for Auditor – Year Ending December 31, 2018 and to authorize the Parish President to enter into any applicable agreement or contract for this service.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 11, “Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness – Mark Harrell” and advised that there was nothing from Mr. Harrell at this time.

The chair addressed agenda item 12, “**Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 18-22**, “Provision for Entrances and Exits in Subdivisions”.

The chair opened the Public Hearing and allowed the Councilmembers to have an open discussion. Councilman Garry “Frog” Talbert explained the proposed ordinance in great length and detail. Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse also commented on the need for the proposed ordinance. Councilman Shane Mack expressed his opinion on the parts of the ordinance that were good and also stated his opposition to certain parts of the ordinance that he wished to have removed.

The chair allowed Councilman Talbert and Councilman Mack to have a very lengthy debate expressing their opinions for and against the proposed ordinance.

Councilman R.C. “Bubba” Harris explained the problems on Garney Hood Road in his district concerning road connectivity.

Councilman Talbert continued his impassioned debate on why road connectivity is needed in the Parish.

The chair allowed the Councilmembers to continue with their very lengthy open discussion.

Public input: Thomas Johnson, Alvin Fairburn and Associates – Project Manager
-had many comments and suggestions in favor of connectivity

Having no further comment from the Councilmembers and none from the audience, the chair closed the Public Hearing.

Councilman Talbert wished to make a motion to accept the proposed ordinance, L.P. Ordinance 18-22 as written. Councilman John Wascom seconded this motion.

The chair called upon Deputy clerk, Angie Cornett, to read the ordinance by title.

The Deputy clerk continued, and read into the record the amendments to the ordinance from what was originally introduced on August 9, 2018 and stated as follows:

- Under Parish and State roads and highways, it will remain the same as introduced on August 9, 2018:

Parish and State roads and highways:

- a. ALL subdivisions or subdivision developments, whether with improvements or without Improvements, consisting of a combined total of two hundred (200) lots or more must have a minimum of two (2) separate entrances that meet or exceed all Parish and State Road and Street Standards.
- Part (b) will become part (d)
 - Part (c) will become part (e)
 - Part (d) is now part (f)
 - Part (e) is now part (g)
- And the new parts that were added:

Part (b):

- b. When the access to a new subdivision is provided thru an existing subdivision the number of lots within the existing subdivision shall be added to the number of lots in the proposed subdivision to determine the number of entrances required. If the combined total number of lots exceeds one hundred and ninety-nine (199) then two (2) entrances shall be provided. If the existing subdivision already has two (2) street entrances, then that requirement will be considered met.

Part (c):

- c. When the cumulative number of lots exceeds seven hundred and fifty (750), three (3) street entrances shall be required.

LPR NO. 18-319

MOTION was made by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to amend proposed L.P. Ordinance No. 18-22 that was originally introduced on August 9, 2018 with the following amendments:

- Part (b) will become part (d)
- Part (c) will become part (e)
- Part (d) is now part (f)
- Part (e) is now part (g)
- And the new parts that were added:

Part (b):

When the access to a new subdivision is provided thru an existing subdivision the number of lots within the existing subdivision shall be added to the number of lots in the proposed subdivision to determine the number of entrances required. If the combined total number of lots exceeds one hundred and ninety-nine (199) then two (2) entrances shall be provided. If the existing subdivision already has two (2) street entrances, then that requirement will be considered met.

Part (c):

When the cumulative number of lots exceeds seven hundred and fifty (750), three (3) street entrances shall be required.

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

YEAS: MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD,
MR. WASCOM

NAYS: MR. MACK, MR. HARRIS

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Councilman Shane Mack requested to make a counter-motion as follows:

To adopt L.P. Ordinance 18-22, with the following changes:

- Allow parts (a), (b), (c) and (d) to remain
- Remove parts (e), (f) and (g)

Councilman Talbert questioned if the counter-motion should have been made before the Council voted to amend the ordinance? He advised that the motion on the floor now was to approve the ordinance. He advised that the only substitute motion that would be in line, would be to disapprove. He asked for verification from Mr. Chris Moody, Parish Legal Counsel.

Mr. Moody advised that Councilman Mack’s motion should be considered to be another main motion, and any main motion can be a substitute motion. Councilman Talbert questioned his earlier mandated actions to amend the ordinance first, before the Council members could vote to accept it or not. He questioned if Councilman Mack should have made the substitute motion earlier, instead of at this point. Mr. Moody responded that it could have been done then, but it

could also be done now. Councilman Talbert questioned why he was not allowed to amend and adopt in the same motion? Mr. Moody questioned if there had been a second on the substitute motion. Councilman Mack received a second to his motion by Councilman R.C. “Bubba” Harris.

LPR NO. 18-320

MOTION was made by Shane Mack and duly seconded by R.C. “Bubba” Harris to offer a substitute/counter motion and amend proposed L.P. Ordinance 18-22 as follows:

- Allow parts (a), (b), (c) and (d) to remain:

Sec. 13-55.1 Provision for Subdivision Street Entrances

The intent of this section is to ensure that there is a minimum of at least two (2) separate safe and available entrances for subdivisions that meet the following criteria:

Parish and State roads and highways:

- ALL subdivisions or subdivision developments, whether with improvements or without Improvements, consisting of a combined total of two hundred (200) lots or more must have a minimum of two (2) separate entrances that meet or exceed all Parish and State Road and Street Standards.*
 - When the access to a new subdivision is provided thru an existing subdivision the number of lots within the existing subdivision shall be added to the number of lots in the proposed subdivision to determine the number of entrances required. If the combined total number of lots exceeds one hundred and ninety-nine (199) then two (2) entrances shall be provided. If the existing subdivision already has two (2) street entrances, then that requirement will be considered met.*
 - When the cumulative number of lots exceeds seven hundred and fifty (750), three (3) street entrances shall be required.*
 - Both entrances must connect to an approved main road and be at least fifty (50) yards apart from each other.*
- Remove parts (e), (f) and (g):
- Subdivision Covenants shall not be written to discourage or disallow the connection to adjacent properties thru any existing lots or tracts when such connections can be made using good engineering practices.*
 - The arrangement of new public streets in new subdivisions or developments shall make provisions for the continuation of existing streets in adjoining areas on each side of the development, as deemed necessary by the Parish to promote the development of a good street network. The street arrangement must also be such as to not intentionally cause any hardship to owners of adjoining property when they plat their own land and seek to provide convenient access. In general, provisions should be made for through streets at twenty-five hundred feet (2500') intervals unless otherwise directed or approved by the Parish of Livingston.*
 - Any opportunities to connect to existing streets shall be identified and presented to the Livingston Parish Planning Commission during the preliminary meeting for the proposed land development.*

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had NOT carried and had **FAILED**.

The chair called for the original motion to be voted upon to adopt the ordinance as amended.

LPR NO. 18-321

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on August 9, 2018, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal together with a notice of public hearing which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on October 25, 2018 on Motion of Garry “Frog” Talbert and seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to adopt the ordinance as amended:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 18-22

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF LIVINGSTON PARISH, “PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT,” ADDING SECTION 13-55.1, “PROVISIONS FOR SUBDIVISION STREET ENTRANCES.”

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

YEAS: MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM

NAYS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. HARRIS

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted as amended on the 25th day of October 2018.

(The above and foregoing ordinance, upon final approval by the President, or the Council in case of veto by the President, shall be published in full in the Official Journal by the Clerk of the Council within fifteen (15) days of its adoption and shall be recorded in full in the Livingston Parish Council Ordinance Book No. 4).

The chair addressed agenda item 13, “**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”.

The chair declared that the Public Hearing for L.P. Ordinance No. 18-23 was open.

Councilman Talbert indicated that this proposed ordinance would be complimentary to the one (1) that was just passed, which strikes out the restrictions of dead-ends, cul-de-sacs and t-turns and puts in language to discourage the disallowance of connections to adjacent properties and puts in a provision for connectivity. He also stated that the developer and engineer will identify all adjacent property entrances or connections that are available when they make a submittal to the Planning Commission. He identified this proposed ordinance as a complimentary piece of legislation to go with the one (1) that was just adopted and by doing so, the Council would eliminate any contradictions between the two (2).

Councilman Mack agreed with Councilman Talbert that the proposed ordinance piggybacks off of the changes that were just adopted and opined that these ordinances pretty much forces new developments to inter-connect.

Councilman Talbert advised that if a developer would come before the Council and advise why connectivity does not work for their development, the Council could then consider a variance to the ordinance. Councilman Mack stated that they (the current sitting Councilmembers) would not be around forever with this mindset, to which Councilman Talbert agreed.

The chair allowed the lengthy debate and open discussion to continue.

The chair directed the Deputy clerk to read the ordinance by title and closed the Public Hearing.

The Deputy clerk read the ordinance by title and stated the amendments to the original proposed ordinance that was introduced on September 27, 2018 as follows:

- The addition of the last sentence of part (i):
The existence of two (2) or more street entrances does not eliminate the need to provide connectivity to the properties adjacent to the proposed subdivision.

Councilman Talbert requested to make a motion to amend and accept the ordinance all at one (1) time. The Council clerk advised that the Council’s Policy and Procedure mandated that they need to vote to amend the ordinance first, then adopt as amended.

LPR NO. 18-322

MOTION was made by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to amend proposed L.P. Ordinance No. 18-23 that was originally introduced on September 27, 2018 with the following amendment:

- The addition of the last sentence of part (i):
The existence of two (2) or more street entrances does not eliminate the need to provide connectivity to the properties adjacent to the proposed subdivision.

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

YEAS: MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD,
MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: MR. MACK

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 18-323

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on September 27, 2018, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal together with a notice of public hearing which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on October 25, 2018 on Motion of Garry “Frog” Talbert and seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to adopt the ordinance as amended:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 18-23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF LIVINGSTON PARISH, “PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT,” AMENDING SECTION 13-54, “STREETS” MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE CONTINUATION OF EXISTING STREETS IN ADJOINING AREAS ON EACH SIDE OF THE DEVELOPMENT.

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

YEAS: MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD,
MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: MR. MACK

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the 25th day of October 2018.

(The above and foregoing ordinance, upon final approval by the President, or the Council in case of veto by the President, shall be published in full in the Official Journal by the Clerk of the Council within fifteen (15) days of its adoption and shall be recorded in full in the Livingston Parish Council Ordinance Book No. 4).

The chair addressed agenda item 14, “Adopt resolution to authorize a waiver for the allowance of an address to be issued on a lot that is 9,711.90 square feet short of the requirement, located on Happy Woods Road/Tickfaw River” and called upon Councilman Tab Lobell.

Councilman Lobell explained about the size of the lots that were in question and how they were laid out along the river. He explained that this constituent was requesting to get electricity connected on his lot. Councilman Talbert questioned how they get sewer there? Councilman Lobell explained that each of the residents were required to have a Mo-dad system. Councilman Talbert questioned if the footage met the state requirement. Councilman Lobell stated that he wished for the Council to approve the issuance of an address and rely on the board of health to handle that part being questioned by Councilman Talbert.

LPR NO. 18-324

MOTION was made by Tab Lobell and duly seconded by John Wascom to authorize a waiver for the allowance of an address to be issued on a lot that is 9,711.90 square feet short of the requirement, located on Happy Woods Road/Tickfaw River as shown on plat map “Plan of Survey” located in Section 47, T8S-R6E, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, in Council District 8.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 15, “Adopt resolution to request Legislative representation to amend state law that would allow service charges against persons within the boundaries of Mosquito Abatement District Two and Three” and called upon Councilman Garry “Frog” Talbert. Councilman Talbert advised that this was a house-keeping deal, similar to what the Council has done in the past, explaining that this would be a local ordinance only, and that it would only address the Livingston Parish Mosquito Abatement District Two and Three, by going to the Legislature and asking to amend the current law and ask for the Mosquito Abatement District Two and Three (with a vote of the people) to impose a fee on their property tax bill. He further advised that he did NOT wish to discuss the merits of mosquito abatement but went on to discuss his opinion on how people would react to a millage for mosquito abatement. He stated that there was a feeling that if the past Council would have solved the collection problem, instead of approaching the people with two (2) different millage taxes, we (the Parish) would probably still have mosquito abatement. He continued to advise that they were wanting to go to the Legislature, fix the collection issue, so that if an election is held, and the people support the fee, that they will not have a collection problem. He further stated that they do not want to have an election to collect a fee, and have people say that what they are trying to do is illegal, that a fee cannot be collected on a tax bill. He advised that they were trying to get their affairs in order before they go to the people by asking a resolution to be adopted by the Council, requesting the Legislature to do a local ordinance that would allow them to put a mosquito abatement fee, with a vote of the people, on the tax bills so that the Sheriff can collect it for them to give them their money.

Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse wished to clarify that this would be a flat fee for everyone within Councilman Talbert’s mosquito district that they were requesting. Councilman Talbert concurred and further explained that it would be necessary to ask for a vote of the people to do this.

Councilman Girlinghouse asked again, so as to be put in the record, that this flat fee would be imposed on the constituents of Districts Two and Three, if they approve it by a vote of the people.

Councilman Talbert again concurred and advised that if the people do not approve it, then the Council would probably never hear him utter the words “mosquito abatement” ever again. He clarified that this would only affect the residents of Mosquito Abatement District Two and Three, which happen to coincide with the boundaries of Council Districts Two and Three at this time.

Councilman R.C. “Bubba” Harris questioned and had concerns for residents that were not fiscally able to pay for an imposed service charge. Councilman Talbert advised that the board had already had discussions on this matter and had not come up with a solution at this time but would try to have some of the issues resolved before they go to the people for a vote. They also were planning to conduct town meetings to discuss questions of the people and would try to have the issues of multiple electric meters and elderly constituents on fixed incomes addressed.

LPR NO. 18-325

MOTION was made by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to request Legislative representation to amend state law that would allow a service charge to be placed on a tax bill, if the service charge is approved by a majority vote in an election that is designated for only the residents who reside within the boundaries of Mosquito Abatement District Two and Three.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: MR. WASCOM

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 16, “Gravity Drainage District No. 7 Board (re)appointment – Jeff Averett” and requested if Councilman Talbert would be handling this item on behalf of Councilman Jeff Averett in his absence. Councilman Talbert affirmed this and requested that the Council consider reappointing Joey Stevenson to Gravity Drainage District No. 7.

LPR NO. 18-326

MOTION was made by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to reappoint Joey Stevenson (resident of Council District 6) to Gravity Drainage District No. 7, whose four (4) year term will expire on August 13, 2022.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair moved to agenda item 17, “Discuss upcoming Trunk-or-Treat event at South Park” and looked to Councilman R.C. “Bubba” Harris for discussion.

Councilman Harris advised his excitement of the upcoming event and that everything was falling into place. He thanked everyone involved and encouraged everyone whose children did not have a place to go for Halloween trick-or-treating to come to South Park.

The chair addressed agenda item 18, “District Attorney Report(s)” and called upon Parish Legal Counsel Christopher Moody. Mr. Moody advised that he had nothing to report.

The chair addressed agenda item 19, “Committee Reports”, and called upon Councilman Mack who advised that he did not have anything to report regarding the Ordinance committee.

Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse also advised that he had nothing to report at this time regarding the Finance committee.

The chair addressed agenda item 20, "Councilmen's Comments" and called upon Councilman John Wascom who wished to recognize past Ascension Parish President Tommy Martinez who was in attendance in the audience. Councilman Wascom thanked Mr. Martinez for his attendance and advised that Mr. Martinez was now employed by Senator John Kennedy. Mr. Martinez briefly addressed the Council and reminisced of his past experience in local government in Ascension Parish.

The chair wished to encourage everyone to get out and vote for the upcoming November 6th election. He advised that he had visited the Registrar's office and early voted on his way to the Council meeting that evening and asserted that there were a lot of important things on the ballot and everyone needed to get out and do their part.

Councilman Talbert wished to tell everyone that the Parish high school football championship would be played the next night at Walker High School at seven o'clock (7:00) p.m. between the Walker Wildcats and the Live Oak Eagles. He also wished to boast that his son had called him right before the Council meeting to tell him that he had been informed by his football coach that his son would be allowed to dress for his game on Saturday at Nicholls University.

Councilman Girlinghouse wished to tease and make mention that there were other football teams in the Parish and also announced that on Saturday night, the Walker Wildcat Class of 1988 would be having their class reunion at Greystone and was basically open to anyone who attended school at Walker. He also advised that they would be tailgating at the Walker "beat-down" of Live Oak on Friday night and invited all of those who wished to attend to come out to the game.

In addition, the chair wished to acknowledge that this would be the "Back the Blue" game to support all of our police officers and advised that they were expecting a large crowd at this football game.

Having no further business, the chair requested a motion to adjourn until the next regular meeting scheduled on Thursday, November 8, 2018, at the hour of six (6:00) o'clock p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

LPR NO. 18-327

MOTION was offered by R.C. "Bubba" Harris and duly seconded by Tab Lobell to adjourn the October 25, 2018 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. LOBELL, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. ARD,
MR. WASCOM, MR. HARRIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. KEEN, MR. AVERETT

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Sandy C. Teal /s/
Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk

Jeff Ard /s/
Jeff Ard, Council Chairman