

DATE: JULY 11, 2019

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

PLACE OF MEETING: LIVINGSTON PARISH GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING

LIVINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL CHAMBERS

20355 GOVERNMENT BOULEVARD

LIVINGSTON, LOUISIANA 70754

**PUBLIC HEARING OF THE LIVINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL ON
THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2019 AT 6:30 P.M. AT 20355 GOVERNMENT
BOULEVARD, LIVINGSTON, LOUISIANA 70754**

The chair called the Public Hearing to order and requested the public to please mute or turn off their cell phones. He then called upon the Council Clerk to read the ordinance by title.

The Council Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title as follows:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 19-22

**AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE MILLAGE RATES AS ADJUSTED FOR THE TAX YEAR
2019**

The chair asked if anyone in the audience had any public input. Having none for the proposed ordinance, he asked if any members of the Livingston Parish Council had any input or comment. Having none, the chair closed the Public Hearing.

**Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council
Livingston, Louisiana
July 11, 2019**

The Livingston Parish Council met in a 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, July 11, 2019, at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

Jeff Ard
Garry "Frog" Talbert
Maurice "Scooter" Keen

John Wascom
R.C. "Bubba" Harris
Jeff Averett

Tracy Girlinghouse
Tab Lobell
Shane Mack

Also present: Layton Ricks, Parish President
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:", and advised that there were no presentations at that time.

The chair addressed agenda item 8, "Adoption of the Minutes from the June 27, 2019 regular meeting of the Council".

LPR NO. 19-218

MOTION was made by R.C. "Bubba" Harris and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to dispense with the reading of the minutes dated June 27, 2019 for the 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. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM,
MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 9, “Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 19-22, “Setting millage rates as adjusted for the tax year 2019”.

The chair advised that a Public Hearing was held on this agenda item earlier and was open to discussion and Public Input at that time.

LPR NO. 19-219

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on June 27, 2019, 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 July 11, 2019, on Motion of Garry “Frog” Talbert and seconded by Jeff Ard:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 19-22

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE MILLAGE RATES AS ADJUSTED FOR THE TAX YEAR 2019

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the 11th day of July 2019.

(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. 5)

The chair addressed agenda item 10, “Parish President’s Report” and called upon the Parish President, Layton Ricks.

The Parish President addressed agenda item 10a, “Amend current 2017 Road Program”, and advised that the current road program needed to be amended by having one (1) road changed out, concurring this with Billy Taylor, road project engineer, located in the audience. He further advised that there were twenty-eight (28) roads that had been repaired or over-layed, being roughly sixteen (16) miles, at approximately six point five million dollars (\$6,500,000.00). He explained that they were in the final stages, with just a few punch items that were needed. He called upon Billy Taylor of McLin Taylor, Inc. Engineering and Land Surveying and Parish Road Program Engineer. Mr. Taylor explained that there was one (1) housekeeping item that was needed by amending the program with one (1) road. He reminded the Councilmembers that they had recently added South Satsuma, Bonnie Bleu and Texas Street to the program. Since then, there has been a road transfer program going on inside the town of Livingston and the state of Louisiana will now be doing Texas Street and have requested that the Parish overlay Cedar Street, which is shorter and will cost less money. Mr. Taylor asked the Councilmembers to adopt a resolution to amend the current 2017 road program by removing Texas Street from the list and add Cedar Street.

LPR NO. 19-220

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to amend the current 2017 Road Program list by removing Texas Street and adding Cedar Street, both being located in Council District 1.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The Parish President addressed agenda item 10b, “Approve/Ratify 2019 Road Program Bids”, and explained that this will include roughly seventeen (17) roads, roughly eighteen (18) miles, the low bid was by R.J. Daigle of seven million three hundred ninety-eight thousand one hundred thirty-eight dollars and forty cents (\$7,398,138.40), being roughly one point two five million (1.25 million) less than the next bid. He further explained that this may be because of relocation and he felt that it was a real good value and he asked the Councilmembers to approve that bid.

LPR NO. 19-221

MOTION was made by Maurice “Scooter” Keen and duly seconded by Tab Lobell to approve and ratify the low bid from R.J. Daigle in the amount of seven million three hundred ninety-eight thousand one hundred thirty-eight dollars and forty cents (\$7,398,138.40) for the 2019 Road Program.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The Parish President requested to update the Councilmembers about Tropical Storm Barry and advised of the measures that the Parish was taking in preparation for the storm. He instructed of the number of sand bags and sand that was ready for distribution, he had increased his staff to work shift work for the Department of Public Works throughout the upcoming weekend, the tentative plans for the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, their combined efforts with gravity drainage districts to blow out culverts, encouraged citizens to pick up lightweight things in their yards for possible high winds that may be coming, and the collaboration with the Sheriff’s office with inmate labor for sandbagging. He encouraged citizens to call if they had any complaints or issues that needed to be addressed and cited the phone number (225)686-3996 for these calls. He acknowledged that they would have a clearer picture of what the storm may do within the next day.

Councilman John Wascom questioned if that phone number would be available during late night hours for the public to call. Mr. Ricks advised that it would. He discussed how people were nervous and scared about the pending weather event because of the 2016 Flood and are still feeling the impact of that flood. He further directed that his office would be in touch with the Councilmembers throughout this weather event.

The chair addressed agenda items 11, a through h, “Planning Commission Recommendations” and called upon Mr. Sam Digirolamo, Planning Director.

Mr. Digirolamo acknowledged the Councilmembers and explained the agenda items presented.

Councilman Garry Talbert asked if agenda item 11a, “Livingston Wood Products, Subdivision without Improvements”, if this development would be done under the new standards recently adopted. Mr. Digirolamo reassured him that it would, and has been done, since the Council adopted the new standards.

LPR NO. 19-222

MOTION was made by R.C. “Bubba” Harris and duly seconded by Maurice “Scooter” Keen to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and approve the preliminary site plan, contingent upon a drainage impact study being conducted, for this Subdivision without improvements being Livingston Wood Products, said property located on Louisiana Highway 1036, Section 3 & 10, T5S R3E, in Council District 9.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 11b, Jennifer Etheridge, “Waiver of Number of Lots on a Servitude” and explained that this development was a little different. Many years ago, papers were drawn up from a deed to transfer property and a map was never drawn. Now, they desired to do a map, perhaps to sell the property, whereby putting an additional lot on the property, therefore, requiring a waiver to approve the plat.

LPR NO. 19-223

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and **approve the waiver on the number of lots on a servitude for Jennifer Etheridge**, located on Stella Lane, Section 2 & 3, T6S R3E, in Council District 1.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda 11c, “Juban Parc, 4th Filing, Preliminary Plat”, and advised that the Planning Commission recommended to approve this agenda item, contingent upon it being included on the preliminary plat. He furthered explained that the Council had recently adopted an ordinance that mandates two (2) entrances in and out of subdivision developments and this plat was in the first go-around, so the engineers, as well as himself, will recognize the plat being approved originally, years ago. The development does not have two (2) entrances, however, there is an emergency exit. Mr. Digirolamo requested that the engineer, Mr. Billy Taylor of McLin Taylor, Inc., come from the audience to further explain. Mr. Taylor advised that the main entrance is off of Brown Road and is a big development being built in phases. This phase had been previously approved, but not built yet. There is a second entrance that goes through the neighboring school and comes out on Brown Road. The question had been raised, could this be a second entrance because it is locked from time to time? The developer is requesting that since this was previously approved in 2007, can the Council go by the rules that applied back then for approval? However, the developer has a piece of property to the south of this, that he can use to tie in to and has agreed to put another entrance in there. Mr. Taylor finished his explanation and advised that they would be putting in a second entrance. Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse concurred with Mr. Taylor’s statements and wished to make the motion.

LPR NO. 19-224

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and **approve the preliminary plat for Juban Parc, 4th filing, contingent upon it being included in the original preliminary plat**, located off of Brown Road, Section 22 & 23, T7S R3E, in Council District 5.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 11d, “Permanent Coatings, Preliminary Site Plan”, and that this was a commercial development located in Councilman “Scooter” Keen’s district, found behind the old Dixon Memorial Hospital on Florida Boulevard. He advised that this was an existing business already in place, and the owner was expanding this business on another lot.

LPR NO. 19-225

MOTION was made by Maurice “Scooter” Keen and duly seconded by R.C. “Bubba” Harris to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and **approve the preliminary site plan for Permanent Coatings, Inc.**, located on Florida Boulevard, Section 33, T6S R3E, in Council District 3.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 11e, “Deer Lakes Subdivision, Waiver Request on Setbacks” and advised that he and Forte and Tablada had inspected this development in 2013, being a residential subdivision, and everything was fine. Unfortunately, the owner/developer went bankrupt and this developed subdivision has now been sold and has a new owner. The chair advised that this was in his district and he had gone and looked at the development. He advised the Councilmembers that this was going to actually be an improvement as the subdivision is unkempt and nasty looking, and the new developer will be making the site really nice when he is done. Some of the Councilmembers questioned why the waiver request was needed. Mr. Digirolamo explained that a twenty-five-foot (25’) setback is required on a residential home. The new developer is placing modular homes in the subdivision development and needs the extra five feet (5’) to put the modular home on the lots. Councilman Keen requested the reason that three (3) of the Planning Commission members had voted no at the Planning Commission meeting to recommend this for approval to the Councilmembers. Mr. Digirolamo advised that he could not answer that and did not know why they voted in opposition. Councilman Talbert asked if the roads in the subdivision were private? Mr. Digirolamo and the chair both advised that they roads were blacktopped and had been accepted into the parish maintenance system. The developer was requesting that the drainage remain private, to be maintained developer, to which Mr. Digirolamo did not have a problem with. He further explained that it was a nice subdivision. The chair asked if there was any other discussion from the audience or the Councilmembers. Having none, the chair called for the vote.

LPR NO. 19-226

MOTION was made by R.C. “Bubba” Harris and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and **approve the waiver request to move the front setback from twenty-five (25’) feet to twenty (20’) feet and establish the drainage to remain private Deer Lakes Subdivision**, located on Louisiana Highway 442, Section 26, T5S R6E, in Council District 9.

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

YEAS: MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM,
MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL

NAYS: MR. TALBERT

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 11f, “R.S. Reynolds Properties, Wavier-No. of Lots on Servitude”, and advised that this was in Councilman Talbert’s district, located on Pink Graves Road. He stated that it was the recommendation of the Planning Commission to recommend approval of this, and further stated that the number of lots on this was six (6) and had sent Councilman Talbert a map of this that same day.

LPR NO. 19-227

MOTION was made by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by Maurice “Scooter” Keen to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and **approve the waiver on number of lots on a servitude for R.S. Reynolds Properties**, located on Louisiana Highway 16, Section 43, T5S R2E, in Council District 2.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 11g, “Coastal Process, Preliminary Site Plan”, located in Councilman Shane Mack’s district on James Chapel Road.

The chair advised that this was an existing business, who wished to subdivide their property to add on to their business.

Mr. Digirolamo advised that it was the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the preliminary site plan for Coastal Process without limestone parking, but with the ability to do so with concrete at a later date.

The chair requested input from the audience and the Councilmembers. Having none, he advised that James Chapel Road had just been overlaid. He further explained that this was a nice business, that kept their property nice and described the concrete products that the company produced.

LPR NO. 19-228

MOTION was made by R.C. “Bubba” Harris and duly seconded by John Wascom to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and **approve the preliminary site plan for Coastal Process without the limestone parking but with the ability to do the parking as concrete if left on the plan**, located on James Chapel Road, Section 33, T6S R6E, in Council District 9.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item 11h, “Ridgecrest Mobile Home Park”, and advised that this was an existing mobile home park, the owner was asking for a waiver for additional lots and was located in Councilman Jeff Averett’s district. It was the recommendation of the Planning

Commission to approve adding ten (10) lots for the Ridgecrest Mobile Home Park without having to put down concrete pads under the mobile homes.

Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse explained his knowledge of this park and the many improvements that the new owner is planning to make above and beyond what will be required.

LPR NO. 19-229

MOTION was made by Jeff Averett and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and **approve the addition of ten (10) lots for Ridgecrest Mobile Home Park and also whereby allowing the omission of concrete pads,** located on Ridgecrest Drive, Section 51, T7S R3E, in Council District 6.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Councilman Jeff Averett requested to speak and informed the chair of his need to lift the agenda.

The chair acknowledged Councilman Jeff Averett's request for the need to lift the agenda.

The chair called for a motion to lift the agenda.

LPR NO. 19-230

MOTION was made by Jeff Averett and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to lift the agenda to take care of a Planning Department matter that was time sensitive regarding a waiver for a setback.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Councilman Jeff Averett explained that a constituent was in need of a setback waiver because she was purchasing a mobile home to place on land that would require the back of the property to have a twenty-foot (20') setback. The new mobile home that she is purchasing is seventy-six feet (76'). The chair allowed the Councilmembers to have an open discussion which led to the consent and agreement of why the waiver should be allowed.

LPR NO. 19-231

MOTION was made by Jeff Averett and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to allow a setback waiver to Ellarene Bourgeois to place a mobile home located off of Louisiana Highway 16, Lot 3 of survey plat showing property located in Section 37, T-8-S-R-4-E, G.L.D, Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana dated November 6, 1998 certified by John W. Lay, Sr. R.L.S. (survey plat can be found filed in the Livingston Parish Clerk of Court's office in COB Book 750, Page Number 923, Entry 430556).

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 19-232

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by Maurice “Scooter” Keen to go back to the order of the agenda of the July 11, 2019 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. ARD, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM,
MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 12, “Discussion of Livingston Farms in Council District 8” and called upon Councilman Tab Lobell.

Councilman Lobell requested that this item be tabled without a date as all parties involved were scheduled to attend a meeting the following week on this matter.

The chair addressed agenda item 13, “**Introduction of Ordinance:** Dissolve Mosquito Abatement District 2 and 3 – Garry Talbert and Scooter Keen”.

The chair called upon the Council clerk to read the proposed ordinance introduction by title.

The chair asked if there was any comment from the audience.

Public input: Shannon Sloane, resident of Council District 3-questioned when the financial information will be available on the final cost of this program?

Councilman Talbert advised that she would need to get that information from the Financial Director.

The chair allowed a lengthy open discussion.

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

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 19-23

AN ORDINANCE TO RESCIND L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 18-15, ADOPTED ON APRIL 26, 2018, PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT TWO AND THREE AND ESTABLISHING A BOARD IN THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AND L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 19-07 ADOPTED ON MARCH 14, 2019, AMENDING AND CLARIFYING THE BOUNDARIES OF MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT TWO AND THREE, COMPRISING ALL THAT TERRITORY IN THE PARISH AS SET OUT HEREIN AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

LPR NO. 19-233

MOTION was offered by John Wascom and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to publish the ordinance by title in the Official Journal in accordance with the legal mandates and set a Public Hearing for Thursday, July 25, 2019 at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) 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. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM,
MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair allowed the open discussion to continue.

Public input: Drew Mullins: resident of Phillip Drive, Denham Springs-Council District 2
Gueydan Smith: resident of Denham Springs-Council District 3

The chair addressed agenda item 14, “Board (re)appointment(s): Waterway Commission” and called upon Councilman Tab Lobell.

Councilman Lobell explained that longtime board member, Les Reynolds, was stepping down from his position on the Waterway Commission. He advised that he wished to place Heidi Kiger, who was a Waterway Commission board alternate, in Mr. Reynolds’ place.

LPR NO. 19-234

MOTION was made by Tab Lobell and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to appoint Waterway Commission alternate board member, Heidi Kiger (resident of Council District 8), as a board member of the Waterway Commission whose term will expire on January 1, 2021; whereby replacing expired board member, Les Reynolds (resident of Council District 8).

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 15, “Consideration and adoption of a variance to authorize a five (5’) foot temporary fence at 30820 Burgess Road, on the backside of this property until they close on future property located on the backside that meets the six (6’) foot fencing requirements”, and called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse.

Councilman Girlinghouse explained that the property owners who requested this are in the process of purchasing the property behind where they reside at 30820 Burgess Road. The back section of the property behind them is fenced. They are requesting a variance to the fence requirement to place a temporary fence until the purchase has been completed and they close on the property behind their residence in October, then the newly acquired back property would meet the fence requirement and they would take the temporary fence down.

The clerk requested what the height of temporary fence would be. Councilman Girlinghouse advised that it would be granted at four feet (4’).

LPR NO. 19-235

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Maurice “Scooter” Keen to grant a waiver for the allowance of a four foot (4’) temporary fence to the property owners addressed at 30820 Burgess Road, Denham Springs, Louisiana for the issuance of pool permit, until they can close on the back real estate property that is connected to their residence, which said back property will meet the five foot (5’) fence requirement.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed standing agenda item 16, “Discussion and adoption of a resolution to authorize waiver(s) and variance(s) for L.P. 19-03, adopted on January 24, 2019, Amending Section 13-57 “Drainage/Drainage impact study”, of the Code of Ordinances that prohibits subsurface drainage” and advised that there was nothing to discuss at this time concerning this agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item 17, “Discussion of grinder pumps located in Serene Acres subdivision and possible legislation to require a disclosure statement upon the sale of property that uses grinder pump systems”, and called upon Councilman R.C. “Bubba” Harris who advised that he wished to have this item placed on the next agenda for the July 25, 2019 regular meeting of the Council.

The chair addressed agenda item 18, “Waiver request(s) to place mobile home in named subdivision: Wedgewood Acres Subdivision: Tammy Callison-7810 Kripple K Road, Denham Springs, LA 70706, Council District 2”, and called upon Councilman Garry “Frog” Talbert who wished to deny the request as there were no other mobile homes located in this subdivision.

LPR NO. 19-236

MOTION was offered by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse **to deny the waiver request** to place a mobile home in a named subdivision for:

**Name: Tammy Callison
7810 Kripple K Road
Denham Springs, LA 70706
Subdivision: Wedgewood Acres Subdivision
Council District 2**

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 19, “District Attorney’s Report”, to which Mr. Chris Moody, Parish Legal Counsel, advised that there was no report at that time.

The chair called upon Councilman Garry “Frog” Talbert, Ordinance committee chairman. Mr. Talbert advised that the committee had met earlier that evening and discussed the new proposed sewer ordinance and he hoped that they could iron out some of the concerns.

Councilman Talbert stated that they did not have time in that meeting to discuss grinder pumps that was also on their committee agenda.

The chair addressed agenda item 20b, “Finance Committee” and called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse. Councilman Girlinghouse advised that they met earlier and were advised by the Finance Director that the parish’s numbers were pretty online with what they should be and that the audit was complete and will be presented at the next meeting.

The chair asked if there were any comments from the Councilmen:

Councilman Maurice “Scooter” Keen wished to acknowledge the loss of Jimmy Purvis, who was his appointment on the PARDS board, and had been a member on the board for fourteen (14) years. He discussed how Jimmy Purvis loved that park and how hard it was going to be fill those shoes. Councilman Keen spoke of how much he will be missed and announced the upcoming fundraiser golf tournament to be held to help cover some of the costs associated with his illness on July 21st at the Denham Springs Country Club and asked everyone to please remember his family in prayer during this time.

Councilman Tab Lobell read a text message that he received from Mauriceville, Texas wanting to organize assistance for Springfield should it be needed due to the impending storm that was coming our way. The town of Springfield had helped rebuild a school in Mauriceville, Texas in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey and they wished to reciprocate the help that was afforded to them during their time of need.

Councilman Jeff Averett wished to announce that there would be a river clean-up day on August 10th. The chair and Councilman Keen suggested to place this on the next agenda for discussion.

Councilman Girlinghouse advised that they were still actively distributing sandbags at the Walker fire station located on Palmetto and will probably be doing it all night. He advised if anyone needed sandbags in their area, they could call his parish cell at (225)236-8774 and he would help them in any way that he could.

Councilman Averett wished to give a “shout out” to the athletic students from French Settlement, Doyle and Springfield for going out and helping their communities with the sandbagging effort. Councilman Keen also commented that Boy Scout Troop 283 was out in Denham Springs helping with sandbagging for the upcoming storm.

Councilman John Wascom commented on the many concerns that their constituency was experiencing about the upcoming storm in the Gulf. Councilman Talbert also commented on the possibility of flash flooding but hoped that it would not be the river event that they had experienced in 2016.

Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was requested until the next regular meeting scheduled on Thursday, July 25, 2019, at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

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MOTION was offered by John Wascom and duly seconded by Jeff Ard to adjourn the July 11, 2019 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. ARD, MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM,
MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT, MR. LOBELL

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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

/s/ Shane Mack
Shane Mack, Council Chairman