Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council Livingston, Louisiana December 19, 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, December 19, 2019, at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

Jeff Ard John Wascom Tracy Girlinghouse

Garry "Frog" Talbert R.C. "Bubba" Harris Tab Lobell Maurice "Scooter" Keen Jeff Averett Shane Mack

Also, present: Layton Ricks, Parish President

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 7a, "Presentations". Having none listed on the agenda, the chair stated that he wished to honor Councilman R.C. "Bubba" Harris for his faithfulness in his meeting attendance as a Councilmember for never missing a meeting during his four (4) year term. Each of the Councilmembers expressed their admiration for Councilman Harris and the dedication that he exudes from his experience and maturity.

The chairman presented him with a sentimental, small token of an award of excellence for his perfect attendance and the Councilmembers and Parish President Layton Ricks wished to have a photo opportunity with Councilman Harris in his honor.

The chair addressed agenda item 8, "Adoption of the Minutes:

- a. December 5, 2019 Juban Crossing Economic Development District
- b. December 5, 2019 regular meeting of the Council"

The Council clerk requested that this item be deferred until the next meeting to which the chair and Councilmembers obliged.

LPR NO. 19-404

MOTION was made by Garry "Frog" Talbert and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to defer the Adoption of the Minutes for the December 5, 2019 Juban Crossing Economic Development District and the Minutes for the December 5, 2019 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item number 9, "Parish President's Report". Jennifer Meyers, Parish Finance Director and Parish President Layton Ricks addressed the Councilmembers with the following three (3) agenda items:

- a. Accept Auditor, Year Ending 12/31/2019 RFP, as presented by Finance Director, Jennifer Meyers
- b. Resolution to accept Fiscal Agent
- c. Resolution to accept bid for Livingston Parish Detention Center Pharmaceutical services

Ms. Meyers advised that two (2) bids were received for the auditor, one (1) being LaPorte, who currently audits the Parish and the second, a new company out of Baton Rouge, Kolder, Slaven & Company.

The chair allowed an open discussion. It was the recommendation of the Parish President to accept LaPorte as the auditor for the year ending December 31, 2019.

The chair allowed the Councilmembers to ask questions regarding the auditor. The Parish President and Ms. Meyers answered their questions and the open discussion continued at length.

Public input: Vanessa Thompson Gordon Courtney

LPR NO. 19-405

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by John Wascom to accept the Auditor, Year Ending December 31, 2019 as presented by the Finance Director, and award the bid to LaPorte CPAs and Business Advisors for a contract period of one (1) year for auditing services year ending of 2019 in the amount of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000.00) and authorize the Parish President to sign documents relating to said contract.

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

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

MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: MR. TALBERT

ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 19-406

MOTION was made by Jeff Averett and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to accept the recommendation from Administration for the only received submission and answer to the Request for Proposals for Fiscal Agent for the Livingston Parish Council; whereby acknowledging the award of the contract to First Guaranty Bank and authorizing the Parish President to sign the contract that will be effective for January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 19-407

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to accept the recommendation from Administration awarding *Contract Pharmacy Services* the contract for a term of twelve (12) months, being from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, to provide Pharmaceutical services at the Livingston Parish Detention Center; and also furthermore, authorizing the Parish President to sign the contract for these services.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item number 10, "Livingston Parish Waterway Commission – Perry Picou, Waterway Commission Chairman

- a. 2019 Report and Update
- b. Recommendations from the Commission to the Livingston Parish Councilmembers"

Mr. Perry Picou, the Livingston Parish Waterway Commission Chairman and Waterway Commission member, Eric Edwards came before the Councilmembers and gave a brief explanation of the creation and board membership of the Waterway Commission. Mr. Picou gave a very detailed report on many activities that had occurred on the Parish's waterways that included accidents, idle/wake zones, and funding needs. Mr. Eric Edwards discussed the economic impact that has occurred on our waterways from different events. The chair allowed an open discussion regarding signage along the riverways. Mr. Picou requested a contact person from the Parish that he would be allowed to speak with when signage and flagging is needed along the waterways. The Councilmembers advised that he could contact the Department of Public Works and a work order would be initiated. Mr. Picou advised that the Waterway Commission would install the signs. Mr. Picou invited the Councilmembers to come for a boat tour with the Waterway Commission to view the Parish's waterways.

He then requested the Councilmembers' attention to be able to convey to them recommendations from the Waterway Commission:

Mr. Picou and Mr. Edwards advised of a very dangerous waterway connection at Chene Blanc and Black Bayou and requested that an idle zone be implemented one hundred and fifty feet (150') up Chene Blanc and one hundred and fifty feet (150') down Chene Blanc, as well as three hundred feet (300') up Black Bayou.

The chair advised that this would need to be accomplished by amending the ordinance for wake zones. The co-chair indicated that this could be introduced at the first meeting in January.

Mr. Picou also wished to address a question from the Waterway Commission regarding the buoy that is located in the Tickfaw River. He questioned if the Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office would be doing the entirety of the maintenance for this specific buoy? Councilman Tab Lobell advised that he had addressed this with Scott from Tin Lizzy's who volunteered that he would be keeping an eye on the buoy and would be placing another weight on it because it was on its side at this time to make it stand straight. Mr. Picou again asked who would be maintaining the buoy? Councilman Lobell advised that it was solar powered, and that Scott would let him know. Mr. Picou and Mr. Edwards concluded their recommendations and their report and thanked the Councilmembers. The Councilmembers also expressed gratitude to them and acknowledged their appreciation for the Waterway Commission's hard work and efforts.

The chair addressed agenda item number 11, "Update on Master Plan Review Committee" and called upon Mr. Gerald Burns, chairman of the committee.

Mr. Burns gave a brief synopsis of the committee's work with Mr. Mark Harrell and his help regarding appropriation of funds that would be used to the update of the Master Plan and Master Drainage Plan.

The chair addressed agenda item 12, "Adopt a resolution approving the Preliminary Road Priority List for the Economic Corridor as compiled by the Master Plan Committee along with Municipal and Parish Leaders".

Mr. Burns stated that this list was not written in stone and could be added to if need be.

Councilman Garry Talbert expressed concerns about number 7 and 8 on the list. The chair allowed an open discussion.

STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF LIVINGSTON LPR NO. 19-408

MOTION was made by John Wascom and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the chairman of the Livingston Parish Master Plan Review Committee submitted a letter dated November 21, 2019 to the Livingston Parish Council; and

WHEREAS, one of the most important components to the Livingston Parish Comprehensive Master Plan is encouraging growth in the area near and between Interstate 12 and U.S. Highway 190, which is referred to as the "Economic Corridor" in the Comprehensive

Master Plan; and with recommendations from the Livingston Parish Master Plan Review Committee of a prioritized road list for the Economic Corridor identified in the Comprehensive Master Plan known as "Envision Livingston"; and

WHEREAS, a key concept of the Master Plan is that development follows infrastructure, including roads.

WHEREAS, the Livingston Parish Master Plan Review Committee believes that prioritizing these road projects would encourage residential, commercial, and industrial growth within the Economic Corridor, which ultimately should lead to increased tax revenues by growing the tax base without having to raise tax rates; and

WHEREAS, additional advantages to these road projects would include increased access to Interstate 12 and Highway 190 for citizens who travel north and south upon those major roadways, whereby relieving congestion along existing arterial roadways, and ultimately decreasing response times for law enforcement and first responders; and

WHEREAS, the Livingston Parish Master Plan Review Committee chairman did meet with various municipal, parish and political leaders and obtained knowledge and recommendations of furthering the proposed prioritized road list with additional considerations;

WHEREAS, the following road projects listed were compiled after receiving input from committee members, the mayors of Albany, Livingston, Walker, and Denham Springs, and the Livingston Parish President and were given a further prioritized list; and

WHEREAS, this list of recommendations being attached and known as "Exhibit A", submitted by the Livingston Parish Master Plan Review and the aforementioned elected officials who have identified road projects within the Economic Corridor to prioritize has been evaluated and reviewed by the members of the Livingston Parish Council;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Livingston Parish Council wishes to vote in support and favor of this list known as "EXHIBIT A" and does hereby acknowledge that said list should continually be evaluated in relation to any changing circumstances.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

CERTIFICATE

I, Sandy C. Teal, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Council Clerk of the Livingston Parish Council, State of Louisiana. I hereby further certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Motion adopted by the Livingston Parish Council at a regular meeting held on December 19, 2019 in which meeting a quorum was present.

WITNESS my official signature and seal of office at Livingston, Louisiana, this the 19th day of December 2019.

/s/ Sandy C. Teal

Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk Livingston Parish Council

"EXHIBIT A"

1. Cook Road Extension

A. Four Lane new road from Louisiana Highway 16 to Juban Crossing Development.
 100% funded from state funds and local parish match funds.
 B. Tentative Right of way acquisition completion date December 2019.
 C. Tentative Construction start date December 2020.

2. Juban Road Extension

Louisiana Highway 190 to Lockhart Road (Louisiana Highway 1026) distance 1.2 miles.

A. Engineering design 100% complete

B. Wetlands determination 100% complete

C. Feasibility Study 100% completed

- 3. Florida Boulevard Four lanes from Louisiana Highway 16 Hatchell Lane to Juban Road.

 Approximately 1.4 miles.
 - **4. Florida Boulevard Four lanes from Juban Road to Burgess Avenue**Approximately .7 miles.
 - **5. Florida Boulevard Four Lanes from Burgess Ave. to Pendarvis Lane.**Approximately .9 miles.
 - 6. Florida Boulevard Four lanes from Pendarvis Lane to Hwy 447 in Walker.

Approximately 1.6 miles. Total all four = 4.6 miles

- 7. Install Round-a-Bout south of 1-12 in Livingston.
- 8. Four lane Louisiana Highway 63 south of 1-12 in Livingston to Oliver Wheat Road. (Epic Pipe)

Approximately .8 miles.

A. Four Lane Hwy 63 north of 1-12 to Louisiana Highway 190.

- B. Add four lane Round-a-Bout north of 1-12 on Louisiana Highway 63.
- 9. Four Lane Louisiana Highway 43 from 1-12 to Louisiana Highway 190 in Albany.

Approximately 1.4 miles.

Four Lane Round-a-Bout north of 1-12 in Albany.

10. Four lane Louisiana Highway 447 in Walker south of 1-12 to Buddy Ellis Road. Approximately .8 miles.

A. Widen Overpass @ 1-12 to four lanes.

- B. Add four lane Round-a-Bout at Hwy 447 and Buddy Ellis Road.
 - 11. Four lane Juban Road south of 1-12 to Brown Road.

Approximately 1.3 miles.

12. Four lane Demco Road in Denham Springs from Louisiana Highway 16 at Intersection of Cook Road to Range Avenue Approximately .4 miles.

A. Add Round-a-Bout at Cook Road and Hwy 16.

13. New 1-12 Interchange at Hwy 449 in Walker plus four lane connecting road to Louisiana Highway 190 at Louisiana Highway 449 Intersection.

Approximately 1.6 miles.

14. New Round-a-Bout@ Louisiana Highway 190 and Woodside Landfill Entrance.

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The chair addressed agenda item 13, "Introduction of Ordinance: Amend Chapter 125, "Subdivision Regulations" Section 125-9, "Submittals", of the Code of Ordinances", and called upon Councilman Garry "Frog" Talbert who explained the need for the ordinance

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

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 19-40

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 125, "SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS," SECTION 125-9., "SUBMITTALS", SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO THE FINAL PLAT IN "SUBDIVISIONS WITH IMPROVEMENTS" AND "SUBDIVISIONS WITHOUT IMPROVEMENTS" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON.

LPR NO. 19-409

MOTION was offered by Garry "Frog" Talbert 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, January 9, 2020 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. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 14, "Adopt Resolution to place signs for a 3-Way stop at Briarwood Road and Courtney Road" and called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse and Councilman Jeff Ard.

Councilman Girlinghouse explained that he had been contacted about a request for the need to have safety measures put in place at this intersection. Upon his review and research, he agreed with this constituent's request, and he is requesting that the Councilmembers adopt a resolution to place a 3-Way Stop at this dangerous traffic intersection to help alleviate this serious traffic hazard in this neighborhood.

LPR NO. 19-410

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Jeff Ard to place signage and create a 3-Way Stop at the intersections of Briarwood Road and Courtney Road located in Council District 7.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 15, "Adopt Resolution to name an unnamed road located off LA Highway 449, "Peyton Lane", in Council District 1" and called upon Councilman Jeff Ard.

Councilman Ard explained that he had been contacted by Mr. Michael Lester who needed to have an address issued to his property. Having run out of addresses, the servitude must then be named a road name so that additional addresses may be added in that area.

LPR NO. 19-411

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by R.C. "Bubba" Harris to name an unnamed road, "Peyton Lane", having been approved in writing by Wendy Boully, Assistant Permit Director, on December 9, 2019, said road being located off of Louisiana Highway 449 in Council District 1.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 19-412

MOTION was made by Tab Lobell and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to name an unnamed road, "Fire House Lane", having been approved in writing by Wendy Boully, Assistant Permit Director, on December 9, 2019, said road being located off of Louisiana Highway 22 in Council District 8.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 17, "Resolution to authorize resident to reside in a camper at 15728 Florida Blvd, Holden, LA 70744 for a period of one year due to new home construction" and called upon Councilman Jeff Ard.

Councilman Ard called upon Mr. Rodney Scott located in the audience, who was the constituent that was requesting this resolution. Mr. Scott explained why he was requesting permission to place his camper on his property to be able to work expeditiously and not have to travel. Councilman Ard advised that he had requested that Mr. Scott speak with his neighbors concerning his request to reside for one (1) year on his property to allow him to work on his new home, to which none objected to this request.

LPR NO. 19-413

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse authorize Rodney Scott to reside in a camper at 15728 Florida Blvd, Holden, LA 70744 for a period of one (1) year due to new home construction located in Council District 1.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 19-414

MOTION was offered by R.C. "Bubba" Harris and duly seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen to reappoint David Provost as a board member of Gravity Drainage District No. 1 (resident of Council District 6), his four (4) year term will expire on November 22, 2023.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 19, "Resolution to cease all development on Dunn Road until Dunn Road Project and Roundabout on Dunn Road and Lockhart Road is Complete" and called upon Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen.

Councilman Keen explained that Dunn Road has an over three million-dollar (\$3,000,000.00) road project coming up very soon and this road is being continually repaired by our Department of Public Works Department by big utility trucks and dump trucks using this road for development projects. He would like the Councilmembers to adopt a resolution that would call for a moratorium on any, being both commercial and residential developments on Dunn Road, until the Dunn Road Project and the Round-a-bout are complete, which may possibly be at the end of 2020, being a twelve (12) month period.

Councilman Garry "Frog" Talbert questioned how many subdivisions were on Dunn Road that were not built out? Councilman Keen replied: "One." Councilman Talbert questioned if building permits would then be denied to that developer? There was an open discussion on what would be allowed.

Mr. Chris Moody, Parish Legal Advisor, stated that any moratorium must be temporary and has to be fair across the board for everyone. It cannot affect any projects that are in the pipeline. The question of distinguishing between a subdivision development and a commercial development versus an individual who doesn't have to go through a permitting process, to which he concluded that Councilman Keen was trying to stop anything that would be coming into the Planning Commission process to stop the volume of new things coming down the road until we could get this worked out. Councilman Keen concurred and advised that he had spoken to Planning Director Sam Digirolamo and Permit Director DeeDee Delatte who were both on board with this and stated that there were several areas in the Parish where this needed to be done now. The chair asked Mr. Moody for wording in the resolution that would be fair and non-discriminatory.

Councilman Talbert asked for a legal opinion from Mr. Moody proposing the question: if he wanted to build a commercial development on Dunn Road with this moratorium in place, and sued the Parish to be allowed to build over this situation because the Parish is devaluing his property, how comfortable was he with defending this?

Mr. Moody responded and advised: Because it is a temporary situation, you cannot take it off of the books completely until you start getting some better land use planning things in place, which is being anticipated in the future, which does protect you down the pipeline. The other thing, he advised, that if it was something major, that person could come to the Council and state, "I know that you have a moratorium in place, but I have bought this property, and I'm asking that you waive that for this particular project". Mr. Moody stated that the Council did have that particular flexibility.

Councilman Keen advised that when he had spoken to Ms. Delatte, she indicated that whoever would come for permitting of projects or planning developments for approval during this moratorium, their office would accept them, but just put them all on hold until the projects on Dunn Road are completed.

Public input: Daryl Bennett, resident of Summerfield Subdivision, Council District 3

The chair allowed an open discussion regarding road weight limits and no through traffic.

Public input: Dalton Sims, resident of Lod Stafford Road

Unidentified speaker in the audience

Vanessa Thompson

LPR NO. 19-415

MOTION was offered by Maurice "Scooter" Keen and duly seconded by Jeff Ard to execute a moratorium on all residential subdivisions and commercial developments (i.e. things that go to the Planning Commission) that are located on Dunn Road in Council District 3 until the Dunn Road Project and Round-a-bout project are completed.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item 20, "Requests for waiver(s) intended for the allowance of permitting due to the restrictions of L.P. No. 17-22, "Section 13-46.1, Prohibitions and Restrictions of Use" for mobile/manufactured homes to be placed in a named subdivision for the intent of onsite, custom built, single family homes:

a. 7206 Amite Church Road, Denham Springs, LA 70706"

LPR NO. 19-416

MOTION was offered by Maurice "Scooter" Keen and duly seconded by John Wascom to grant a waiver for the allowance of permitting due to the restrictions of L.P. No. 17-22, "Section 13-46.1, Prohibitions and Restrictions of Use" for mobile/manufactured homes to be placed in a named subdivision for the intent of onsite, custom built, single family homes:

7206 Amite Church Road, Denham Springs, LA 70706 Lot 1 of Linda Lee Estates Council District 3

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair advised that there were no items to discuss for standing agenda item 21, "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 moved to the next agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item 22, "District Attorney's Report", and called upon Mr. Chris Moody, Parish legal counsel. He advised that he was happy to report that the District Attorney wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of you, the staff and the audience. The chair commended the outstanding job that Mr. Moody has done directing the Councilmembers in the right path for the past four (4) years to which Mr. Moody replied that it was to his great pleasure to work for a great Council.

The chair addressed agenda item 23, "Committee Report(s):" and called upon Councilman Garry Talbert who reported that the Ordinance Committee was done for the year and it had been a pleasure serving as the chairman of the committee for the last year. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Girlinghouse advised that he committed to those sentiments and it had been a pleasure to serve as the chairman of the Finance committee for the last year. He advised that he had nothing to report on the committee at that time.

The chair addressed agenda item 24, "Councilmen's comments:" and asked if anyone had any comments.

Councilman R.C. "Bubba" Harris wished to state that he could not have worked with a better group of men and their ladies in the office and looked forward to the next upcoming four (4) years.

Councilman Jeff Ard wished to add that he knew that they had one (1) meeting to go with this term, but he wished to commend his two (2) colleagues that would not be returning in the next term and encouraged them not to be strangers, and as far he was concerned, they were friends for life.

The other Councilmembers concurred with Councilman Ard's statements.

Councilman Jeff Averett wished to state that it had been his pleasure to serve the constituents of Council District 6 and to work with the Councilmembers. He stated that he had made some lifelong friends. He commended the Council clerks and said how proud he was of all three (3) of them, also stated how much that he would miss everyone.

Councilman Tab Lobell wished to state how many wonderful folks he had met throughout the Parish and in his district, and he also stated that he had met a few that were a challenge too. He stated that he thought they all had. He continued and advised that as it is with anything that you get involved with, whether it be church, or coaching a ball team or any civic organization that you are involved in, there are a certain group of people that refuse to do anything but be critical of anybody doing anything. He would like to encourage those people to get a sign in their yard and get a seat on the Council to get a better understanding of this whole deal, because as he has been quoted as saying before: "Don't confuse me with the facts, I know what I believe." And he wondered if some people just do not totally know the facts. He stated that people were always telling him that they knew this person, and that person, and he said that he knew a lot of people too. He advised that it was good to know a lot of people, but with the Christmas season coming up, he thought that there was only One Person that they needed to know, and they were getting ready to celebrate His Birthday. So, Councilman Lobell encouraged everyone that as they get into Christmas, try to make sure that you know the One Guy that's going to make a real difference in your life and don't forget Him.

Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was requested until the next regular meeting that was scheduled on Thursday, January 9, 2020, at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

LPR NO. 19-417

MOTION was offered by Maurice "Scooter" Keen and duly seconded by John Wascom to adjourn the December 19, 2019 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

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

YEAS: MR. MACK, MR. WASCOM, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT,

MR. LOBELL, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. ARD

NAYS: **NONE**

ABSENT: **NONE**

ABSTAIN: **NONE**

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

/s/ Sandy C. Teal

/s/ Shane Mack Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk Shane Mack, Council Chairman