

# Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council

## Livingston, Louisiana

### January 9, 2020

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, January 9, 2020, 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: Mark Harrell, representing on behalf on the Parish President’s absence  
Sam Digirolamo, Planning Director and Department of Public Works Director  
Christopher Moody, Parish Legal Counsel

Absent: Layton Ricks, Parish President

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The chair addressed agenda items 5a and b:

**5. Election of officers:**

- a. Council chair
- b. Council co-chair

He explained that the Council elected a new chair and co-chair each year, but that this item would need to be addressed when the newly elected Councilmen and term began per the Home Rule Charter.

The chair indicated that it was the wishes of the Councilmembers to have a special meeting to be scheduled on the Sunday of their swearing in inauguration ceremony on January 12, 2020 at three-thirty (3:30) p.m. for the purpose of selecting the Council’s chair and co-chair for the upcoming year.

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

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

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The chair addressed agenda item 8, “Presentations: Tabitha Lobell – Springfield High School Ducks Unlimited Chapter and Banquet”.

Four (4) Springfield High School representatives came from the audience to the front to introduce themselves to the Councilmembers and explained about the Springfield Bulldog’s Ducks Unlimited Chapter and their upcoming banquet:

- Blake Arceneaux, head of recruitment of the chapter for Ducks Unlimited: advised many unknown facts about the chapter
- Blake Lobell, treasurer of chapter: spoke of a recent field trip that the chapter had taken
- Tabitha Lobell, donation chair of chapter: explained of scholarship opportunities
- Blair Simon: explained about the banquet and its positive benefits; also explained how it educates and preserves conservation

The chair commended these students for their articulation and confidence when addressing the Council. He acknowledged that they had inspired him, and he would be making note of the date to attend the banquet to support their endeavors.

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The chair addressed agenda item 9, “Adoption of the Minutes:

- a. December 5, 2019 Juban Crossing Economic Development District
- b. December 5, 2019 regular meeting of the Council
- c. December 19, 2019 regular meeting of the Council”

The chair requested if these could all be adopted at the same time? No one made any objection to this request, so the chair asked for a motion and a second to adopt the minutes.

### **LPR NO. 20-001**

MOTION was made by Jeff Averett and duly seconded by R.C. “Bubba” Harris to adopt and dispense with the reading of the minutes and adopt as written for:

- December 5, 2019 Juban Crossing Economic Development District
- December 5, 2019 regular meeting of the Council
- December 19, 2019 regular meeting of the Council

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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The chair advised that he wished to move up agenda item number 12, “Planning Commission Recommendation’s - Sam Digirolamo”, and met no opposition to this action. He called upon Mr. Digirolamo and requested that he come to the front to address these agenda items.

Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda items 12 a through f, “Planning Commission Recommendations”:

Mr. Digirolamo explained that it was the recommendation of the Planning Commission to send the preliminary site plan for AT&T Mobility to the Parish Council with no recommendation as the Commission had a few questions, and ultimately, it was the Council’s decision to give consent if this project should be approved to move forward.

Public input: Chip Lyons, representative of AT&T Wireless: explained where AT&T is proposing to put a wireless cell tower on LA Highway 1036

\*Also advised of a needed setback waiver

Chad Bacas, Forte and Tablada, Parish Review Engineer: advised of the state’s opinion of their right-of-way

Sam Digirolamo: advised of the need for the structural analysis to be submitted by AT&T

Mark Harrell, Livingston Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness: made a request to have a first responder repeater installation allowed for free on the tower

#### **LPR NO. 20-002**

MOTION was made by Garry “Frog” Talbert and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to approve the preliminary site plan for AT&T Mobility located on Louisiana Highway 1036, Section 21, T5S R5E in Council District 9, conditional upon getting a letter of no objection from the neighboring property owner.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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Mr. Digirolamo advised that agenda item 12b, “Northshore Concrete Products, Preliminary Site Plan, James Chapel Road, Section 34, T6S R6E, Council District 9”, had been pulled by developer.

#### **LPR NO. 20-003**

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission and approve the preliminary site plan for Bent's RV located on Good Road, Section 34, T6S R6E in Council District 9.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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Mr. Digirolamo addressed agenda item number 12e, "Kevin Keller, Servitude Revocation: Introduction of Ordinance, Hammack Road", and advised that it was the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Planning Commission to approve the Servitude Revocation for Kevin Keller and reported that all of the letters of no objection had been received.

Councilman R.C. "Bubba" Harris advised that he had met with Alvin Fairburn to discuss questions that he had regarding this servitude revocation and had also been to the property location as well. His questions were "squared-away" by Mr. Fairburn and he wished to make the motion to introduce the ordinance for introduction.

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

**L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 20-01**

MAP SHOWING REVOCATION AND DEDICATION OF A 15'  
DRAINAGE SERVITUDE LOCATED ACROSS LOTS 9, 10-A-1-A, 11-  
A-1 AND TRACT SC-1 OF SERENITY CROSSING SUBDIVISION ON  
HAMMACK ROAD, DENHAM SPRINGS, LA LOCATED IN  
SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T7S-R6E, G.L.D., LIVINGSTON PARISH, LA  
FOR KEVIN KELLER:

**LPR NO. 20-004**

MOTION was offered by R.C. "Bubba" Harris and duly seconded by John Wascom to publish the ordinance by title in the Official Journal in accordance with the legal mandates and set a Public Hearing for Thursday, January 23, 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. ARD, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. MACK,  
MR. WASCOM, MR. LOBELL, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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Mr. Digirolamo advised that agenda item number 12f, "Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office, Fox-Nesbit, Preliminary Site Plan, Woodside Drive, Section 29&32, T6S R4E, Council District 7", had been deferred.  
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Mr. Digirolamo wished to commend Councilman Jeff Averett and Councilman Tab Lobell in regard to the districts that they served. He acknowledged the challenges that they worked through and stated that they were both really “good guys” to work with. He conveyed that he really enjoyed the time they shared together and thanked them both for their service to the Parish.

Both Councilmen Averett and Lobell combined their praise and commendations for Mr. Digirolamo, as did other councilmembers who concurred in their statements.

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The chair called upon Mark Harrell, to address agenda item number 10, “Parish President’s Report:”. Mr. Harrell advised that he was representing on behalf of the Parish President in his absence. He also wished to “back up” Mr. Digirolamo’s statements regarding working with Councilman Jeff Averett and Councilman Tab Lobell. He stated that it had been a pleasure to serve with them.

Mr. Harrell addressed agenda item 10a, “Resolution to confirm the appointment of Carol Stafford to the Florida Parishes Human Services Authority Board” and advised that it was a yearly thing.

**LPR NO. 20-005**

MOTION was made by John Wascom and duly seconded by Jeff Ard to confirm the appointment of Carol Stafford to the Florida Parishes Human Services Authority Board.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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**PARISH COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON,  
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**LPR NO. 20-006**

The following resolution was offered by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by R.C. “Bubba” Harris:

**LP Resolution No. 20-006**

Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for a grant under any of the following FTA programs managed through Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

- 49 CFR 5311, Formula Grant for Rural Areas
- 49 CFR 5339, Grants for Bus and Bus Facility Program

**WHEREAS**, the Secretary of Transportation and Development is authorized to make grants for mass transportation projects;

**WHEREAS**, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provisions by it of the local share of project costs;

**WHEREAS**, it is required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in accord with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the goal of the Applicant that minority business enterprise be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and that definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority businesses shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment, or consultant and other services:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Livingston Parish Council:

1. That the Livingston Parish President is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the Livingston Parish Council with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, to aid in the financing of operating and / or capital assistance projects pursuant to FTA transit programs.
2. That the Livingston Parish President is authorized to execute and file with such applications an assurance or any other document required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.
3. That the Livingston Parish President is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development may require in connection with the application of the project.
4. That the Livingston Parish President is authorized to set and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.
5. That the Livingston Parish President is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of the Livingston Parish Council with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for aid in the financing of the operating or capital assistance projects.
6. This resolution is applicable for a period of one year unless revoked by the governing body and copy of such revocation shall be furnished to the DOTD.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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The chair addressed agenda item 11a, "Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness - Mark Harrell:

- a. **Introduction of Ordinance:** Amend Chapter 115, "Floods" to include the Livingston Parish Substantial Damage Inspection Policy"

Mr. Harrell explained that the introduction of this ordinance is the first part of the project that his office is working on that is getting the Parish in compliance with FEMA.

The chair requested that the Council clerk read the ordinance by title:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 115, "FLOODS," ARTICLE II, "ADMINISTRATION", SECTION 115-44, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON BY ADOPTING THE LIVINGSTON PARISH SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE INSPECTION POLICY.

Councilman Garry Talbert advised that the Ordinance committee had reviewed this proposed ordinance and had recommended that it be sent to the new Ordinance committee members and discuss the findings of state floodplain representatives and their recommendations of changes to the ordinance.

He and the chair advised that the Councilmembers needed to review the very thick booklet that had been submitted with the ordinance.

Councilman John Wascom asked several questions about the significance and time restraints of the adoption of the proposed ordinance. Mr. Harrell answered his questions. The chair allowed an open discussion.

The Councilmembers chose not to introduce the ordinance at that time.

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Mr. Harrell addressed agenda item 11b and answered numerous questions from the Councilmembers.

Public input: Joe Koczowski, Fire District No. 5 Fire Chief: explained the twenty-five percent (25%) fire district match

**LPR NO. 20-007**

MOTION was made by Maurice “Scooter” Keen and duly seconded by R.C. “Bubba” Harris to authorize the Parish President to enter into contract negotiations and to sign an agreement with Quality Engineering to perform engineering services for the Fire District No. 5 Safe Rooms Project – a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Project – FEMA-4277-DR-LA, Project #0115.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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**LPR NO. 20-008**

MOTION was made by Tab Lobell and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to authorize the Parish President to enter into contract negotiations and to sign an agreement with C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC. to perform engineering services for the Perrin Ferry Road Improvements Project – a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Project – FEMA-4277-DR-LA, Project #0145.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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**LPR NO. 20-009**

MOTION was made by Jeff Averett and duly seconded by R.C. “Bubba” Harris to authorize the Parish President to enter into contract negotiations and to sign an agreement with Forte & Tablada to perform engineering services for the South Satsuma Drainage Improvements Project – a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Project – FEMA-4277-DR-LA, Project #105.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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Mr. Harrell addressed agenda item 11e located in Council District 5. He briefly explained how this project will help build this area back up from storm erosion.

Councilman Garry Talbert interjected and inquired if the Councilmembers had reviewed each of their scoring packets from the projects that they were approving that evening. He explained his concerns with the scoring and judging process of the compilation of the Selection Committee's Scoring. Mr. Harrell answered Councilman Talbert's questions.

Public input: Buford Elliot, Gravity Drainage District 1

The chair allowed a very, very lengthy open discussion.

**LPR NO. 20-010**

MOTION was made by R.C. "Bubba" Harris and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to authorize the Parish President to enter into contract negotiations and to sign an agreement with All South Consulting Engineers to perform engineering services for the Allen Bayou Relief Erosion Control/Bank Stabilization Project – a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Project – FEMA-4277-DR-LA, Project #095.

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

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

NAYS: MR. TALBERT

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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**LPR NO. 20-011**

MOTION was made by Garry "Frog" Talbert and duly seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen to approve the renewal of the Thompson Consulting Services contract for Disaster Debris Monitoring and Management Services by extending the contract for a period of four (4) months, being until April 4, 2020, in order to have its renewal coincide with the debris removal contract.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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Councilman Tab Lobell requested a quick update on the Amite River Project. Mr. Harrell requested which project? Councilman Lobell responded: "The Mouth". Mr. Harrell replied that they were working on engineering and permitting. They were working on negotiations with the group that owns the island to build the wetland back out. He advised that it was moving along, but that it was a process. He indicated that the weir was in "the process" as well, and Blind River was in the same thing. They were all moving very slow. He advised of all of the different organizations that were involved that had "a say so" in the process.

The Councilmembers thanked Mr. Harrell for his update and wished him well.

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The chair addressed agenda item 13, “Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 19-40, Amend Chapter 125, “Subdivision Regulations” Section 125-9, “Submittals”, of the Code of Ordinances”.

The chair declared that the Public Hearing for L.P. Ordinance No. 19-40 was open and called upon the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title.

The chair asked for public input from the audience.

Public input: Alise ??? *unaudible*, Homeowners Association of Baton Rouge: questioned rights of the declarant

The chair allowed the Councilmembers to respond to this question.

Having no further input from the Councilmembers the chair closed the public hearing.

#### **LPR NO. 20-012**

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on December 19, 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 January 9, 2020 on Motion of Tracy Girlinghouse and seconded by Maurice “Scooter” Keen:

#### **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.

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the 9th day of January 2020.

(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).

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The chair addressed agenda item 14, “Introduction of Ordinance: Amend Section 50-3, Speed of Boats: Black Bayou at Chene Blanc - Waterway Commission Recommendation/Shane Mack”.

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

#### **L.P. ORDINANCE 20-02**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT CHAPTER 50 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, CHAPTER 50, “OFFENSES – MISCELLANEOUS”, SECTION 50-3 “SPEED OF BOATS”, AS SET OUT MORE SPECIFICALLY HEREIN.

#### **LPR NO. 20-013**

MOTION was offered by Tab Lobell seconded by Jeff Averett to publish the ordinance by title in the Official Journal in accordance with the legal mandates and set a Public Hearing for Thursday, January 23, 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. ARD, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. MACK,  
MR. WASCOM, MR. LOBELL, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT
- NAYS: NONE
- ABSENT: NONE
- ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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The chair advised that agenda item 15, “Update on Master Plan Review Committee - Gerald Burns”, had been deferred.  
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**LPR NO. 20-014**

MOTION was made by Tab Lobell and duly seconded by Jeff Averett to reappoint Perry Picou (Council District 8) and Eric Edwards (Council District 8) to the Waterway Commission to serve a two (2) year term that will expire on January 1, 2022.

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

- YEAS: MR. ARD, MR. KEEN, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. TALBERT, MR. MACK,  
MR. WASCOM, MR. LOBELL, MR. HARRIS, MR. AVERETT
- NAYS: NONE
- ABSENT: NONE
- ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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The chair addressed agenda item 17, “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. Oak Ridge: 11000 Oak Ridge Drive, Denham Springs, LA 70726 – Council District 5  
Councilman Harris advised that he had drive out to the development and inspected the subdivision and found other mobile homes located within that area.

Public input: Buford Elliot

**LPR NO. 20-015**

MOTION was made by R.C. “Bubba” Harris and duly seconded by Maurice “Scooter” Keen to authorize a waiver of the ordinance that prohibits and restricts the use of mobile/manufactured homes to be placed in a named subdivision for the intent of onsite, custom built, single family homes to Ashley Graves to allow a mobile home to be placed and addressed at:

- Subdivision Name:** Oak Ridge  
**Address:** 11000 Oak Ridge Drive  
Denham Springs, LA 70726  
**Councilman/District:** Councilman R.C. “Bubba” Harris  
Council District 5

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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The chair addressed agenda item 18, "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:

- a. East Ridge Subdivision: 31400 North Corbin Road, Walker, LA 70785 - Council District 1

**LPR NO. 20-016**

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to authorize a waiver of the ordinance that prohibits subsurface drainage for Erich Matherne, on the condition that all preliminary requirements and aspects of the scope of work defined by the Department of Public Works has been completed and signed off by Director Sam Digirolamo, previous to the installation of any such subsurface drainage addressed at:

**Subdivision: East Ridge Subdivision**  
**Address: 31400 North Corbin Road**  
**Walker, LA 70785**  
**Councilman/District: Council District 1**

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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The chair addressed agenda item 19, "District Attorney's Report", and called upon Mr. Chris Moody, Parish legal counsel. Mr. Moody advised that his only report was to wish his table mates his heartfelt thanks, as they represented their constituents well, and had to make some really hard votes but always did it as gentlemen with a lot of grace and style, and he appreciated working with them. He stated that he hoped that they would always stay friends.

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The chair addressed agenda item 20, "Committee Report(s):" and called upon Councilman Garry Talbert who reported that the Ordinance Committee had met earlier that evening and recommended that everyone look into the handbook on substantial damage. Once the new Council was seated and the new chairman had established the committees, the new Ordinance committee could move forward. He wished to express that it had been a pleasure to serve as the Ordinance committee chair that year.

Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse advised that the Finance Committee had not met and the committee had nothing at that time to report. He advised that they would be meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2020.

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Councilman Jeff Averett wished to commend the Council office staff for making his job a lot easier for the last four (4) and he also wanted to say that he considered the nine (9) guys who he sat with up there, lifelong friends. Councilman Tab Lobell concurred.

Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was requested until the next regular meeting that was scheduled on Thursday, January 23, 2020, at the hour of six-thirty (6:30) p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

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**LPR NO. 20-017**

MOTION was offered by Jeff Averett and duly seconded by Tab Lobell to adjourn the January 9, 2020 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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

/s/ Shane Mack  
Shane Mack, Council Chairman