## Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council Livingston, Louisiana February 25, 2021

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, February 25, 2021, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

Jeff Ard Maurice "Scooter" Keen John Wascom R.C. "Bubba" Harris

Absent: Shane Mack Parish President Layton Ricks Christopher Moody, Parish legal counsel Gerald McMorris Tracy Girlinghouse Randy Delatte Garry Talbert

Also, present: Jennifer Meyers representing in the absence of Parish President Layton Ricks

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

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

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

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The chair addressed agenda item 8, "Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. 21-03: Amend Section 125-27, "Driveway culverts and/or Subsurface Drainage" and requested the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title.

The chair opened the Public Hearing and questioned if anyone in the audience wished to comment at that time to be addressed in Public Input.

Having no public input, the chair closed the Public Hearing. The chair requested input from the Councilmembers and asked if there were any objections to the adoption of this ordinance.

## LPR NO. 21-061

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on February 11, 2021, 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 February 25, 2021 on Motion of Randy Delatte and seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse:

## L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 21-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 125 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF LIVINGSTON PARISH, "SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS," ARTICLE I, IN GENERAL, SECTIONS 125-24, "DRAINAGE/DRAINAGE IMPACT STUDY.", 125-25, "DRAINAGE IMPACT STUDY/DRAINAGE DESIGN REQUIRMENTS.", 125-27, "DRIVEWAY CULVERTS AND/OR SUBSURFACE DRAINAGE." AS FOLLOWS.

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

- YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN
- NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021.

(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)

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The chair addressed agenda item 9, "<u>Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. 21-04:</u> Amend Section 58-419, "Utilities Installation in Rights-of-Way", "Notification" and requested the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title.

The chair advised that before he opened the Public hearing, he wished to make a statement. He indicated that there had been some response received from utility companies, one in particular that does a lot of work in the Parish, and they had requested that the adoption of this ordinance be deferred for two (2) weeks. He further stated that he would like for the Council to grant this request that had been made them, but by law, they must open the Public hearing as it was advertised.

The chair opened the Public Hearing and questioned if anyone in the audience wished to comment at that time to be addressed for Public Input. Having none, the chair closed the Public hearing.

The chair called for a motion to defer the Public hearing for two (2) weeks.

## LPR NO. 21-062

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on February 11, 2021, 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 February 25, 2021 and **DEFERRED** for two (2) weeks on Motion of Jeff Ard and seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen:

## L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 21-04

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 58 "ROADS AND DRAINAGE," ARTICLE IV, "UTILITIES INSTALLATION IN RIGHTS-OF-WAYS", SECTION 58-419, "NOTIFICATION.", AS FOLLOWS.

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

- YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN
- NAYS: NONE
- ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared **DEFERRED** for two (2) weeks on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021.

The chair addressed agenda item number 10, "Adoption of the Minutes from the February 11, 2021 regular meeting of the Council".

## LPR NO. 21-063

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Jeff Ard to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the February 11, 2021 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council and adopt as written.

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

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YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item number 11a, "Parish President's Report: **Introduction of ordinance**: Declaration of property as surplus" and called upon Jennifer Meyers representing on behalf of the Parish President in his absence.

Ms. Meyers, Parish Finance Director, explained that they were asking to introduce an ordinance of some immovable property as surplus. She stated that she was sure that they were aware that the Parish owns multiple buildings that are now vacant due to some moving, or not in use anymore. She advised that the Assessor's office was one, the Registrar of Voters will be moving to the new Assessor building, so the Registrar of Voters will be open and empty. She continued to advise of others being the Mosquito Abatement building and various lots that the Parish has acquired over the years. Ms. Meyers stated that this had all started from some people reaching out to the Parish wanting these buildings and Administration had received notification from the insurance agent, as she had previously told them, that property insurance is projected to increase. The agent advised that he had been seeing a seventy (70%) percent increase in some municipalities that he writes for, and the average increase is about forty (40%) percent. She stated that Administration is trying to dump as many things that the Parish is not using, or will not use, as soon as possible.

The chair requested that the Council clerk read the ordinance by title and set the public hearing.

## L.P. ORDINANCE 21-05

## AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LIVINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL TO DECLARE CERTAIN IMMOVABLE PROPERTY SURPLUS.

Upon direction of the chair, the Council clerk read the ordinance by title and set the public hearing. The introduction of ordinance will be published by title in the Official Journal in accordance with the legal mandates and whereby set a Public Hearing for Thursday, March 11, 2021 at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. at the Parish Council Chambers in the Governmental Building located at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time comments will be received on the proposed ordinance prior to a Council vote.

The chair requested that the Council move to the agenda addendum number A-1, "Adopt Resolution to support the restoration of the New Orleans East Landbridge project to be considered for funding by the Louisiana Trustee Implementation Group" and called upon Ms. Jennifer Meyers who advised that they were asking for a resolution to support restoration of the New Orleans East Landbridge.

The chair requested for the Council clerk to read the proposed resolution.

Councilman Delatte questioned which fund this was coming out of. Ms. Meyers advised that it was of no costs to the Parish, they were just supporting their application to the state fund for that purpose.

Councilman Delatte explained that he just wanted to make sure that it was not coming out of a fund that the Parish was participating in and pushes the Parish further down on the list. Ms. Meyers advised that it did not.

## STATE OF LOUISIANA

## PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

Motion was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Jeff Ard:

#### L.P. RESOLUTION NO. 21-064

#### RESOLUTION TO ADD LIVINGSTON PARISH TO A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE NEW ORLEANS EAST LANDBRIDGE PROJECT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FUNDING BY THE LOUISIANA TRUSTEE IMPLEMENTATION GROUP.

**WHEREAS**, the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill impacted nearshore coastal marsh habitat throughout Louisiana, including the New Orleans East Landbridge; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to impacts from the oil spill, canal dredging, levees, wave exposure, subsidence and sea level rise have caused erosion and recession of the shoreline, leading to significant degradation of vital marsh habitat; and

**WHEREAS**, the landbridge separates the Gulf of Mexico and Lake Borgne from Lake Pontchartrain and, without action, is on track to largely disappear over the next fifty (50) years; and

**WHEREAS**, the landbridge provides vital wetland and estuarine functions, including control of tidal flow between the Gulf of Mexico and Lake Pontchartrain, benefitting the ecosystem and the people who rely on a healthy estuary for their livelihoods; and

**WHEREAS**, the landbridge also serves as important habitat for hundreds of species of fish and wildlife, including sturgeon and migratory birds; and

**WHEREAS**, the landbridge reduces storm surge and provides storm protection for over one million (1,000,000) people who live around Lake Pontchartrain and Lake Maurepas, including communities in Livingston Parish; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of New Orleans and the Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) have a large-scale restoration project on the landbridge in early planning stages, but major funding is needed to implement the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the project would create fifteen hundred (1,500) acres of brackish marsh habitat and over four (4) miles of living shoreline protection in Lake Borgne along the eastern perimeter of the marsh creation area; and

**WHEREAS**, project proposals are currently being accepted through the Deepwater Horizon Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) process; and

WHEREAS, this is a potential opportunity to fund the large-scale project on the landbridge.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the **Livingston Parish Council** add Livingston Parish to a letter of support that will submitted for consideration with the City of New Orleans' New Orleans East Landbridge project proposal to the Louisiana Trustee Implementation Group before the March 2, 2021 deadline.

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair advised that the Council would now be returning back to the regular agenda.

The chair addressed agenda item number 12, "Presentation of a repaving petition from Westminster Subdivision HOA, signed petition is from all homeowners and the residents of Westminster subdivision to have their subdivision roads overlayed – Ruth Metz and Catherine Rouseel/Gerald McMorris".

The chair invited the representatives of Westminster subdivision to the podium for public input.

Public input: Catherine Roussel, resides on Big Bend in Westminster subdivision; her concern presented to the Councilmembers was the potholes and the bad condition of the roads in their subdivision

Geraldine Mattear, was representing in the absence of Ms. Ruth Metz, resident on Big Bend Drive in Westminster subdivision in Denham Springs

Ms. Geraldine Mattear explained a brief history of the roads and the damages that had been made. She requested the consideration of repaying the roads and presented the Councilmembers with a petition from their neighbors. Ms. Roussel advised that they also wished to present pictures of the road along with the petition.

The Deputy clerk obtained the petition packet from Ms. Mattear and submitted it to the chair.

Councilman Randy Delatte wished to speak on Councilman McMorris's behalf. He advised that the petition submitted was duly noted. He did not want to give any false hope because they were competing with four hundred (400) miles of other roads in the Parish and they were only doing about twelve (12) miles a year. He stated that he was a firm believer in citizens' groups. He indicated that he determinedly thought that the Parish would be able to blacktop every road in Livingston Parish in the next two to three (2-3) years, but for that to happen they needed to have five (5) votes on this Council and everyone had a different opinion. He described his past

experience as a Council member and how roads had been overlayed in the past. He explained how the roads to be overlayed were decided by an engineering firm and based on a prioritized list and their traffic. He stated that she would be paying a fifteen (15) year sales tax and their roads may not be completed in that time. He suggested that they may want to start a citizens group. He continued to explain that the Council may wish to consider bonding the roads. Councilman Delatte stated that he wished to invite Jim Ryan, Parish Financial Advisor, to the next Council meeting to discuss their options regarding overlaying the roads.

The chair stated that it was his understanding that the roads listed on the petition were already on the road list for consideration. He questioned if anyone remembered how they scored in the past.

Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen stated that he had the same situation in his district with some subdivisions that had base failures. He described how the Department of Public Works had repaired roads that could not be blacktopped entirely and cut out the base failures and filled them with concrete. He described the process that they used. The chair stated that at time it would be prudent to call for a motion to accept these roads by petition and forward the petition to Administration.

## LPR NO. 21-065

MOTION was made by Gerald McMorris and duly seconded by Randy Delatte to accept the petition submitted by the residents and homeowners of Westminster subdivision requesting the Parish to blacktop the roads in their subdivision located in Council District 6 and forward it to Administration.

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair and Councilman McMorris thanked the Westminster subdivision representatives for their presentation.

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The chair addressed agenda item number 13, "Discussion of closing Sand Hill Road located in Council District 1- Jeff Ard".

The chair called upon Councilman Jeff Ard who explained that he had received several calls from Mr. Bankston. He stated that Mr. Bankston had been communicating with St. Helena Parish government as well. Councilman Ard stated that he wished to attest that this road was a very bad area. He said that the Council needed to receive legal advice from their Parish legal advisor and was hoping that Mr. Moody would have been at the council meeting that evening. He wished to call upon Mr. Mike Bankston.

Mr. Bankston acknowledged the Council members and distributed a booklet handout to help them all be on the same page to see what they were looking at and what was being asked of them.

Councilman Delatte questioned if this road had been closed before?

Mr. Bankston advised that it was currently closed. Councilman Ard explained that it had been washed out for a while and was not passable unless you were in a four-wheel drive truck.

Mr. Bankston explained the handout. He also discussed the work that he had been doing in conjunction with St. Helena Parish. He explained the maps that were included in the packet handout showing where Sand Hill Road is located and also where the two gates were located on his property. He was not asking for Parish property, he wanted to gate his own property. Mr. Bankston described the pictures in the packet that included major trash dumping, poaching, and stolen, burned out vehicles. Mr. Bankston was requesting that the Council give him permission that would allow him to place a gate on the Livingston Parish side of his property. He played a recording for the Council members from his cell phone that displayed many rounds of a gun going off at midnight and advised that his home had bullet holes in it.

Councilman Delatte questioned what the distance was between the gates. Mr. Bankston advised that it was around twelve to fifteen hundred (1200-1500') feet. Councilman Delatte asked if Mr. Bankston owned property on both sides of the gate. Mr. Bankston advised that he owned all of the property. He also stated that the road did not go anywhere and does not serve any purpose for Livingston Parish. He already had permission from St. Helena and he was asking for participation from Livingston Parish to make sure that it was done properly.

Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen questioned how much of the road was blacktopped. Mr. Bankston explained that the blacktop goes from the Livingston/St. Helena line and will come up about a thousand feet (1000') to the other side of his property, which is where he would like the other gate. Councilman Keen questioned if it was legal to gate off a blacktopped road, otherwise, he agreed that it needed to be done. Mr. Bankston stated that it was his understanding that if the road serves no purpose, it could be turned over. He explained that Sand Hill Road is not a public road and there are currently four (4) landowners all the way to St. Helena and two (2) miles past that. He stated that no one should be back there because they do not own any of the property.

The chair allowed an open discussion.

Councilman Ard had questions about the placement of the gate. The chair allowed an open discussion concerning Neesom Lane.

The chair clarified what Mr. Bankston was asking of the Council. He recounted that Mr. Bankston is gating at the Parish line because St. Helena has given him permission. And what he is asking of the Livingston Parish Council is to allow him to gate it up all the way to Leggett Road. Mr. Bankston acknowledged that was correct. The chair explained that the Council would need a legal opinion from Parish attorney, Mr. Chris Moody. He stated that it was the appropriate time to defer this agenda item until Mr. Moody could be available to evaluate and make determination.

## LPR NO. 21-066

MOTION was made by Jeff Ard and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to defer agenda item number 13, "Discussion of closing Sand Hill Road located in Council District 1", until the March 11, 2021 regular meeting when determination and an opinion can be given by Parish Legal Counselor, Mr. Christopher Moody, of the legality of putting a gate on Sand Hill Road and if the road is considered to be public or private.

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

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The chair addressed agenda item number 14, "Add Ben Jones Road to the Capital Overlay/Priority List Program for consideration – Gerald McMorris".

## STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

## LPR NO. 21-067

MOTION was made by Randy Delatte and duly seconded by Gerald McMorris to add the following road for consideration to the Capital Outlay/Priority Road List:

• Ben Jones Road located in Council District 6 – Gerald McMorris

# 2021 LIVINGSTON PARISH ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ROAD ANALYSIS AND ASSESSMENT – 3 YEAR PRIORITY LIST

ROAD NAME	Council District	Priority Rank	Priority Score	E LP Resolution Number	Date Adopted
McLin Road	1	1	44	LPR NO. 17-091	March 9, 2017
Clinton Allen Road	2	2	38.1	LPR NO. 18-245	August 9, 2018

Meadow Lane	2	3	30.3	LPR NO. 20-097	March 12, 2020
Hunter Brooke Lane (gravel)	2	4	19.3	LPR NO. 19-258	August 8, 2019
Bush Lane (gravel)	2	5	9	LPR NO. 16-044	January 28, 2016
Perkins Road South	3	6	45.3	LPR NO. 15-095	March 17, 2015
Dunmark Road (gravel)	3	7	3.3	LPR NO. 19-329	October 10, 2019
Desert Willow Avenue	4	8	36.5	LPR NO. 17-016	January 12, 2017
Burlingame Street	4	9	34.2	LPR NO. 20-097	March 12, 2020
Sharon Street	4	10	20	LPR NO. 18-158	May 10, 2018
Myrtle Street	4	11	18.1	LPR NO. 18-380	December 20, 2018
North College Drive	4	12	33.9	LPR NO. 21-013	January 14, 2021
Cedar Street	4	13	28.9	LPR NO. 21-013	January 14, 2021
Stubb Street	4	14	12.2	LPR NO. 21-013	January 14, 2021
Rosemont Avenue	5	15	41.8	LPR NO. 18-362	December 6, 2018
Whitehall Avenue	5	16	39.8	LPR NO. 19-376	November 21, 2019
Genre Drive	5	17	36.6		
Debbie Lane	5	18	34.7	LPR NO. 15-305	December 3, 2015
Canyon Road	5	19	33.5	LPR NO. 15-305	December 3, 2015
Pleasant Knoll Drive	6	20	46.4	LPR NO. 19-376	November 21, 2019
Willow Wood Drive	6	21	37.8	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Canterbury Avenue	6	22	36.8	LPR NO. 18-015	January 11, 2018
Pinecrest Drive	6	23	35.6	LPR NO. 19-376	November 21, 2019
Ball Park Road	7	24	40.6	LPR NO. 15-215	August 13, 2015
Travis Street	7	25	33.5	LPR NO. 20-097	March 12, 2020
Vera McGowen	7	26	45	LPR NO. 21-013	January 14, 2021
Lost Oak Lane	8	27	46.4	LPR NO. 20-236	July 23, 2020
King George Bay Road	8	28	37	LPR NO. 19-258	August 8, 2019
George White Road(west section)	9	29	45	LPR NO. 16-086	February 25, 2016
1st Street	9	30	35.5	LPR NO. 21-013	January 14, 2021

<b>ROADS THAT ARE NOMINATED FOR</b>	Council	Priority	Resolution	Date of
CONSIDERATION TO AMEND THE PRIORITY LIST	District	Rank	Number	Adoption
Henry Road	8	tbs	LPR NO. 15-086	March 12, 2015
(North Section)				
Henry Road	8	tbs	LPR NO. 15-086	March 12, 2015
(South Section)				
Lynn Street	7	tbs	LPR NO. 15-095	March 17, 2015
North Achord Road	1	tbs	LPR NO. 15-167	June 11, 2015
Karli Lane	9	tbs	LPR NO. 15-215	August 13, 2015
(Phase 2– Off of Ross Trail/Wagner Road)				
South Satsuma Road	6	tbs	LPR NO. 15-215	August 13, 2015
(Phase 3)				
Timberwood Drive	7	tbs	LPR NO. 15-215	August 13, 2015
Peak Lane	7	tbs	LPR NO. 15-215	August 23, 2015
Live Oak Village Road	2	tbs	LPR NO. 15-305	December 3, 2015
Greystone Drive	5	tbs	LPR NO. 15-305	December 3, 2015
Charles Holden Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 16-086	February 25, 2016
John Barber Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 16-086	February 25, 2016
Nature's Way	1	tbs	LPR NO. 16-086	February 25, 2016
Old CC Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 16-086	February 25, 2016
(formerly known as Slaughter Pen Road)				
Pete Smith Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 16-086	February 25, 2016
Sidney Woods Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 16-086	February 25, 2016

Leader Road	8	45	LPR NO. 17-052	January 26, 2017
Crain Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 17-052	January 26, 2017
Gum Swamp Road (South Section)	8	tbs	LPR NO. 17-052	January 26, 2017
Olah Lane	9	tbs	LPR NO. 17-052	January 26, 2017
Pine Bluff Road	4	tbs	LPR NO. 17-052	January 26, 2017
Wagner Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 17-052	January 26, 2017
(East section) Wagner Road (West section)	9	tbs	LPR NO. 17-052	January 26, 2017
Kingfisher Street	2	tbs	LPR NO. 17-055	February 9, 2017
Sims Road	2	tbs	LPR NO. 17-266	August 10, 2017
Spring Lake Drive (North Section)	1	tbs	LPR NO. 17-396	December 14, 2017
Woodland Street	5	tbs	LPR NO. 17-396	December 14, 2017
(South Section) Cedar Street	1	tbs	LPR NO. 18-041	February 8, 2018
Brookfield Drive	4	tbs	LPR NO. 18-158	May 10, 2018
New Port Drive	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-015	January 11, 2018
Balmoral Drive	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-015	January 11, 2018
Timberlake Drive	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-015	January 11, 2018
Shady Hollow Drive	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-015	January 11, 2018
Timber Ridge Drive	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-015	January 11, 2018
Alder Drive	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-015	January 11, 2018
Cedar Street	1	tbs	LPR NO. 18-041	February 8, 2018
Stonehenge Drive (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Abbey Lane (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Coronation Drive (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Buckingham Avenue (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Windsor Avenue (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Hampton Court (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Wimbledon Drive (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Big Ben Drive (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Parliament Drive (Westminster Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Parkwood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Greenwood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Havenwood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Hollyridge Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Glenbrooke Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Mulberry Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Hazelwood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Burlwood Avenue (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Poplar Glen Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Robindale Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Millstone Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Cottonwood Court (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018

Avondale Court (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Silverwood Court (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Maplewood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Sprucewood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Pinebrook Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Mimosa Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Bell Wood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Palmwood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Ribbonwood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Buffwood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Sagewood Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Wynnewood Avenue (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Myrtle Wood Court (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Bronzewood Avenue (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Birchwood Court (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Mirkwood Court (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Jimmy Drive (Woodland Crossing)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 18-216	July 12, 2018
Fountain View Drive (Spring Lake subdivision)	1	tbs	LPR NO. 18-345	November 8, 2018
Ruby Lake Drive (Spring Lake subdivision)	1	tbs	LPR NO. 18-345	November 8, 2018
Diamond Lake Drive (Spring Lake subdivision)	1	tbs	LPR NO. 18-345	November 8, 2018
Garnet Lake Drive (Spring Lake subdivision)	1	tbs	LPR NO. 18-345	November 8, 2018
Lake Terrace Drive (Spring Lake subdivision)	1	tbs	LPR NO. 18-345	November 8, 2018
Sapphire Drive (Spring Lake subdivision)	1	tbs	LPR NO. 18-345	November 8, 2018
Phillip Richardson Road	8	tbs	LPR NO. 18-380	December 20, 2018
Richardson Lane	8	tbs	LPR NO. 18-380	December 20, 2018
Parkway Drive (South Haven Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-041	January 24, 2019
Cheryl Drive (between Arlene Drive and Cheray Drive)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 19-136	April 25, 2019
Melrose Avenue (Richmond Place Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 19-136	April 25, 2019
Cooper Street	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-173	May 23, 2019
Grand Lake Boulevard (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Lake Borgne (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Lake Sabine Drive (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Lake Lery Drive (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Lake Bruin Drive (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Lake Bistneau Drive (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Black Lake Avenue (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
White Lake Avenue (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Cross Lake Avenue (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Lake Salvador Drive (Lakeside Estates)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278	August 22, 2019
Homer Harris Road Oma Harris Road *Minute correction of road name on October 24, 2019	5	tbs	LPR NO. 19-278 *LPR NO. 19-335 (*Minute correction of road name)	August 22, 2019 *October 24, 2019
Lod Stafford Road	1	tbs	LPR NO. 19-329	October 10, 2019
Mack Road	1	tbs	LPR NO. 19-329	October 10, 2019

Mecca Road Extension	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-338	October 24, 2019
Meadow View Drive (Forest Ridge Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-376	November 21, 2019
Copperwood Drive (Forest Ridge Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-376	November 21, 2019
Lemonwood Drive (Forest Ridge Subdivision)	6	tbs	LPR NO. 19-376	November 21, 2019
Dialtha Drive (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
R Dawes Drive (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Lucas Drive (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Mary Drive (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Page Drive (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Ola Drive (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Wyeth Drive (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Stanton Hall Avenue (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Rosalie Avenue (Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Tezcuco Avenue(Easterly Lakes Subdivision)	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 6, 2020
Cypress Point Lane	6	tbs	LPR NO. 20-064	February 27, 2020
Hunstock Avenue ***Amended on May 14, 2020 changing from Drive to Avenue	2	tbs	LPR NO. 20-097 LPR NO. 20-111	March 12, 2020 <i>May 14, 2020</i>
Linder Road	3	tbs	LPR NO. 20-114	May 14, 2020
Landon Drive (Driftwood Estates)	7	tbs	LPR NO. 20-171	June 11, 2020
Jaden Drive (Driftwood Estates)	7	tbs	LPR NO. 20-171	June 11, 2020
Charles King Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 20-197	June 25, 2020
Good Road	9	tbs	LPR NO. 20-216	July 9, 2020
Palmer Road	8	tbs	LPR NO. 20-236	July 23, 2020
Oliver Wheat Road	8	tbs	LPR NO. 20-236	July 23, 2020
Maci Drive	7	tbs	LPR NO. 20-365	November 12, 2020
Dixon Jones Boulevard	3	tbs	LPR NO. 21-013	January 14, 2021
Baptiste Drive	1	tbs	LPR NO. 21-037	January 28, 2021
Nicholas Drive	1	tbs	LPR NO. 21-037	January 28, 2021
Ben Jones Road	6	tbs	LPR NO. 21-067	February 25, 2021

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: MR. MACK
ABSTAIN: NONE
Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted.

The chair addressed agenda item 15, "Waiver request(s) of Section 125-27, "Driveway culverts and/or Subsurface Drainage", to allow subsurface drainage in a subdivision:

a. Terry Harbor, Lot 15: Hoyt Johnson, 20275 Fairway Drive, Killian, LA 70462 located in Council District 8 – Randy Delatte".

The chair called upon Councilman Delatte and asked what his wishes were. Councilman Delatte indicated that he would contact the Department of Public Works for them to make determination for the allowance of subsurface drainage in Terry Harbor.

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The chair addressed agenda item number 16, "Approval of the division of a subdivision plat for Dennis Smith located in Rauman Acres, 4<sup>th</sup> Filing, Lot 13, 11700 Falcon Crest Drive or 11665 Gloria Lane, Denham Springs, LA located in Council District 5 - R.C. "Bubba" Harris".

The chair called upon Mr. Dennis Smith who had previously dropped off a packet for the Councilmembers to review regarding his waiver request to subdivide a lot located within a subdivision.

Public input: Dennis Smith, resident of Brown Road, Denham Springs, LA

Mr. Smith acknowledged the Councilmembers and referred them to the packet that he had submitted. The chair questioned what the size of the lots will be when divided.

Mr. Smith advised that the existing house would have one hundred seven (107') feet and the remainder will be approximately one hundred forty (140') feet.

The chair clarified that he was requesting what the square footage of each lot would be. He further explained that the Parish ordinance requires a minimum lot size, and without a line drawn on the plat map that Mr. Smith had presented, no one could make any type of determination if the lot size will meet the ordinance requirements.

Mr. Smith advised that the lot size would be twelve thousand five hundred (12,500') feet for each lot. The chair verified that it would meet that criteria of the ordinance.

Mr. Smith explained that he would like to build a house for himself to live in on the additional lot, and allow his son to live in the house next door. He explained accessibility to the lots.

Councilman R.C. "Bubba" Harris inquired about the subdivision covenants that stated: "No lot shall be re-subdivided or divided into any dimensions other than those shown on the original subdivision plat hereof."

Mr. Smith explained that these covenants were written almost forty (40) years ago and the lot in question was divided last, so this lot is definitely an exception to the rest of the divisions. He further explained that there were two (2) driveways that had a water meter at the corner of the lot, and also a water meter at the house that was presently there.

The chair asked for clarification of why there were two (2) addresses on one (1) lot. Mr. Smith advised that was a tentative thing. He explained that it was "either/ or". He could use either driveway, but only one address could be used at a time. He is now asking for access to the other lot as it has been a problem to maintain it.

Councilman Harris questioned if this should be evaluated by Mr. Moody.

Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse asked if the lot was part of the subdivision. The chair concurred that it was, and the original covenants addressed all thirteen lots. The chair stated that if they honor the subdivision covenants and the Parish ordinance, then the answer would be no.

Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen asked if Mr. Smith could contact all of the people living around the subdivision and obtained a petition signed stating that they all had no objection to the division of the lot, would that change any of the Council members' minds? The chair stated if it did not bother the property owners that resided in the other twelve lots, then he did not care. Mr. Smith stated that there were nine (9) property owners on that street, the other ones were down the road. The chair advised that the covenants were for the entire subdivision, not just his road.

The chair stated that the Council members could defer this item and allow Mr. Smith time to obtain a petition signed by the property owners requesting for the Livingston Parish Council to allow the division of the lot, or the Council members could vote no, and not allow the lot division.

Councilman Girlinghouse wished to bring up a previous waiver request to subdivide property located in a subdivision. He identified that he was the author of the ordinance prohibiting this. He quantified why he had to vote yes for that aforementioned waiver request and explained that it was written in the subdivision covenants that the property owners were allowed to subdivide their property within their subdivision. However, Mr. Smith's subdivision covenants clearly stated that it was prohibited and he would have to fall that way, regardless of what Mr. Moody's direction would be.

The chair optioned that the Council needed to make a motion to defer this to Mr. Moody, or make a motion to reject, or make another type of motion. Councilman Randy Delatte asked Councilman Girlinghouse if he wished to make a motion. Councilman Girlinghouse stated that he would recommend to Mr. Smith to defer this and come back in two (2) weeks.

The chair stated that the motion would be to defer, and he strongly suggested to Mr. Smith to go and talk to his twelve (12) neighbors and get a petition, and if they would sign off on it, it would probably make it a lot easier for some people who have had strong feelings on people subdividing property in subdivisions, and give them the ability to change their vote.

Councilman Girlinghouse stated that he could not confirm that it would change his mind, but it would certainly give him some thoughts.

## LPR NO. 21-068

MOTION was made by R.C. "Bubba" Harris and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to defer agenda item number 16, "Approval of the division of a subdivision plat for Dennis Smith located in Rauman Acres, 4<sup>th</sup> Filing, Lot 13, 11700 Falcon Crest Drive or 11665 Gloria Lane, Denham Springs, LA located in Council District 5", for two (2) weeks to allow time for Mr. Dennis Smith to obtain a petition from his twelve (12) neighbors in the subdivision advising that they are in favor and have no objection to him subdividing his lot (Lot 13) located within said subdivision.

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item number 16:

"Board resignation/(re)appointments:

a. Ratify Fire Protection District No. 2's Town of Springfield board appointment, Town of Killian's board appointment and Fire Protection District No. 2's board appointment".

Councilman Randy Delatte confirmed with the Council clerk that all minutes had been received.

## LPR NO. 21-069

MOTION was made by Randy Delatte and duly seconded by Jeff Ard to ratify the following board member (re)appointments for Fire Protection District No. 2; terms of reappointment are for two (2) years as per R.S. 40:1496:

- **Town of Springfield board appointment (Minutes of the February 20, 2019 regular meeting):** Eddie Threeton; term to expire January 1, 2023
- Town of Killian appointment (Minutes of the February 9, regular meeting): Clarence Jones, term to expire on January 1, 2023
- Fire Protection District No. 2 appointment (Minutes of the January 28, 2020 regular monthly meeting): Columbus "Dwight" Hutchinson, term to expire on January 1, 2022

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. MACK

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda items 18ai, b and c: Committee Report(s):

- a. Ordinance committee
  - i. Discussion and Committee Recommendation(s): Introduction of Ordinance(s)
- b. Finance committee
- c. Citizens' Drainage committee

The chair called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse, Ordinance committee chairman, to present his committee report.

Councilman Girlinghouse advised that at their last meeting, the Ordinance committee had discussed Parishwide garbage pickup. Councilman Jeff Ard wished to recommend that the Ordinance committee reach out to St. Helena parish. He explained that St. Helena Parish has Parishwide garbage pickup that is encompassed with their property taxes, and because it is done this way, anyone who has a St. Helena address is allowed to use their garbage dump for free, at no charge. The chair stated that there was a difference in Livingston Parish, because St. Helena owned their garbage dump.

The chair allowed a very lively open discussion regarding residential garbage pickup.

The chair called upon Councilman Jeff Ard, Finance committee chairman, to present his report on their committee meeting.

Councilman Ard advised that the committee had met earlier that evening before the Council meeting. He reported that the Finance Director had stated that the Parish's year of 2020 was finally up, everything had come out good. The Parish had two million more than she had predicted and the jail was in the black for this year.

The chair called upon Councilman Randy Delatte to report on the Citizens' Drainage committee's first meeting. Councilman Delatte advised that the committee had met the night before. The committee was asking for back up, and wanted to make sure that the Council and Administration was on board. They also had questions that they wanted to ask and how they would interact to get that information.

The chair asked Councilman Delatte when their next committee meeting would be. Councilman Delatte stated that they would be meeting on the second Wednesday of each month. The chair encouraged the Council members to attend and show support for this committee.

Councilman Delatte discussed a special meeting that was called in Ascension Parish the same night that the Citizens Drainage committee were meeting. The special meeting was cancelled thirty (30) minutes before the meeting started. He had read about this in the Pelican Post. He had also read an editorial that stated that they were going to come to an agreement between the two (2) parishes. The chair stated that obviously the engineering from the Highway 22 project will show that it would eliminate some serious impact on the pumping in Walker. Councilman Delatte stated that they be channels cut through the lake, or you have to do what Ascension does, and have pumping stations and levies. He advised how pumping stations operate and stated that would be the least expensive project. Councilman Delatte had heard that the state was going to be able to take charge of some of that flooding, if the new White House Administration does not overrule the previous Administration's actions that have already been put in place.

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The chair addressed agenda item 19, "District Attorney's Report:" and advised that there would be no report.

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The chair addressed agenda item number 20, "Councilmen's comments:"

Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen advised that he wished to make a comment to remind everyone of the trash bash on March 6<sup>th</sup> in the north west corner of Livingston Parish. There will roll-out dumpsters at North Park and at the old Down Home Grill in Watson. Councilman Keen stated that he will be at North Park at eight o'clock (8:00) a.m. and Councilman Garry Talbert will be present on his end in Watson. Councilman Keen advised that there would be football teams present volunteering from Denham and Live Oak to pick up trash. He stated that the event had trash pickup plans on every road from Lockhart Road up to LA Highway 1019. Councilman Keen was in charge of picking up the bags and getting them in the roll-off with the help of wife. He stated that he hoped it could held again next year and be Parish-wide.

The chair wished to reiterate that the trash bash would be held on Saturday, March 6, 2021 at eight o'clock (8:00) a.m.

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Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was requested until the next regular meeting being scheduled on Thursday, March 11, 2021, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

#### LPR NO. 21-070

MOTION was offered by John Wascom and duly seconded by Randy Delatte to adjourn the February 25, 2021 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. TALBERT, MR. HARRIS, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN

NAYS: NONE

MR. MACK ABSENT:

**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\ Garry Talbert** Garry Talbert, Council Chairman