

**Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council
Livingston, Louisiana
October 27, 2022**

The Livingston Parish Council met in a regular session duly called, advertised, and convened at its regular meeting place, at the Governmental Building in the Parish Council Chambers, 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, on Thursday, October 27, 2022, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

Garry Talbert
Maurice "Scooter" Keen
John Wascom

Gerald McMorris
Tracy Girlinghouse
Randy Delatte
Shane Mack

Jeff Ard

Absent: R.C. "Bubba" Harris

Also present: Brad Cascio, Parish Legal Counsel

Jennifer Meyers representing for Parish President Layton Ricks in his absence

The chair called the meeting to order.

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, "Executive Session: Discussion of terminating employee (LPR NO. 22-370 deferred from the October 13, 2022 regular meeting)", and called upon Councilman Jeff Ard.

LPR NO. 22-389

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Shane Mack to go into Executive Session for the discussion of terminating employee.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 22-390

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Shane Mack to go back to the October 27, 2022 regular meeting agenda after Executive Session for the discussion of terminating employee.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

No action was taken in Executive Session.

Councilman Shane Mack made a motion to defer this item until January. Councilman Delatte stated that since no action was taken, they should move to the next agenda item.

Councilman Shane Mack withdrew his motion and the chair moved to the next agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item number 8, “Presentations”, and advised that there were none at that time and moved to the next agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item number 9, “Councilmen’s comments”:

Councilman Gerald McMorris
Councilman Garry Talbert
Councilman Scooter Keen
Councilman Shane Mack
Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse
Councilman Jeff Ard

LPR NO. 22-391

MOTION was made by Randy Delatte and duly seconded by Gerald McMorris to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the October 13, 2022 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council and adopt as written.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item number 12, “Administrative update of requested fact-finding report of accumulation of facts and data available to Parish government through the Parish’s Road Capital Outlay Program engineers, bonding attorney, and Parish President’s Administrative staff”, and called upon Councilman Randy Delatte.

Councilman Delatte stated that he wished for the Ordinance committee to create an ordinance that would make the Parish President submit the data that he has been requesting for three months.

Finance Director Jennifer Meyers answered questions from Councilman Delatte.

The chair allowed a lengthy discussion.

The chair addressed agenda item number 13, “**Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 22-48:** Adoption of Council District 8 Zoning Map”.

The chair opened the Public Hearing and asked the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title.

Public Input: Bradley Wheat
Scott Lobell

LPR NO. 22-392

MOTION was made by Randy Delatte and duly seconded by Garry Talbert to amend L.P. Ordinance No. 22-48

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

LPR NO. 22-393

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on September 22, 2022, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal together with a notice of public hearing which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on October 27, 2022 on Motion of Randy Delatte and seconded by Shane Mack:

L.P. ORDINANCE 22-48

AN ORDINANCE TO CERTIFY THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF DISTRICT EIGHT IN THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON ENTITLED "LIVINGSTON PARISH ZONING MAP COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. EIGHT" REFERRED TO IN CHAPTER 117 OF THE LIVINGSTON PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES.

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. MACK, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted as amended on the 27 day of October 2022.

(The above and foregoing ordinance, upon final approval by the President, or the Council in case of veto by the President, shall be published in full in the Official Journal by the Clerk of the Council within fifteen (15) days of its adoption and shall be recorded in full in the Livingston Parish Council Ordinance Book No. 5)

The chair addressed agenda item number 14, "Amend Section 125-1, (4), "Definitions", Remove the verbiage "and Parish Council" from the subdivision definition".

The chair opened the Public Hearing and directed the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title.

LPR NO. 22-394

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on September 22, 2022, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal together with a notice of public hearing which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on October 13, 2022 on Motion of Randy Delatte and seconded by Shane Mack:

L. P. ORDINANCE NO. 22-52

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 125, "SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS", ARTICLE I – "IN GENERAL", BY AMENDING SECTION 125-1, "DEFINITIONS" THAT DEFINES THE TERM "SUBDIVISION", PART FOUR (4), OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF LIVINGSTON PARISH.

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE, MR. KEEN, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. MACK, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the 27 day of October 2022.

(The above and foregoing ordinance, upon final approval by the President, or the Council in case of veto by the President, shall be published in full in the Official Journal by the Clerk of the Council within fifteen (15) days of its adoption and shall be recorded in full in the Livingston Parish Council Ordinance Book No. 5)

The moved up agenda item number 23, “Reschedule the November 3, 2022 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council as it conflicts with the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting – Tracy Girlinghouse”

LPR NO. 22-395

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Garry Talbert to move the regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council scheduled on November 17, 2022 to November 10, 2022.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item number 15, “Introduction of ordinance: Amend Section 126-3, “Commercial Development Notifications”, by changing the wording “Subdivision” to “Commercial Development” and correction of numbering from “125-26” to “125-106” for Section 125-1, “Definitions-Subdivisions” (Recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Department.)

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following entitled ordinance was introduced in writing in the form required for adoption at a meeting of the Parish Council of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, on October 27, 2022, and laid over for publication of notice:

L. P. ORDINANCE NO. 22-53

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 125, “SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS”, ARTICLE I – “IN GENERAL”, BY AMENDING SECTION 125-1, “DEFINITIONS”, PART (1) THAT DEFINES THE TERM “SUBDIVISION”, REFERENCING UTILITIES; AND WHEREBY ALSO AMENDING CHAPTER 126, “COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT”, SECTION 126-3, “COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT NOTIFICATIONS” BY REMOVING THE TERM “SUBDIVISION” AND REPLACING IT WITH “COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT”, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF LIVINGSTON PARISH.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Parish Council of said Parish will meet on November 10, 2022, at six o’clock p.m., at the Governmental Building in the Parish Council Chambers, located at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time there will be a public hearing on the adoption of the aforesaid ordinance.

The chair addressed agenda item number 16, “**Introduction of ordinance:** Adoption of Council District 1 Zoning Map”.

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following entitled ordinance was introduced in writing in the form required for adoption at a meeting of the Parish Council of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, on October 27, 2022, and laid over for publication of notice:

L. P. ORDINANCE NO. 22-54

AN ORDINANCE TO CERTIFY THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF COUNCIL DISTRICT ONE IN THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON ENTITLED “LIVINGSTON PARISH ZONING MAP COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. ONE” REFERRED TO IN CHAPTER 117 OF THE LIVINGSTON PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Parish Council of said Parish will meet on November 10, 2022, at six o'clock p.m., at the Governmental Building in the Parish Council Chambers, located at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time there will be a public hearing on the adoption of the aforesaid ordinance.

The chair addressed agenda item number 17, “Complaints from the Home Owners Association and residents of Riverscape at Clio Subdivision who request for options concerning water and sewer rates – Randy Delatte”.

Public input: Kelly Hutchinson, Springfield, LA
 Erik Labatut, Springfield, LA

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LPR NO. 22-396

MOTION was made by Randy Delatte and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to support the Parish Legal Advisor and the Council clerk to send correspondence to the Public Service Commission and use the information and testimony that was given by the residents of Clio at Riverscape Subdivision in regard to their water and sewer services and their desire for fair rates or other alternatives to these amenities.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda items number 18a and 18b, “Seeking options for Animal control for unincorporated areas in the Parish of Livingston for the following:

- a. Numerous cats abandoned without food and water
- b. Complaints from homeowners regarding stray cats on their property – Randy Delatte”

The chair suggested that the Animal Control ordinance be reviewed by the Ordinance committee. There was no action taken on this item.

The chair addressed agenda item number 19, “Adopt a resolution to authorize a waiver of Section 125-37, “Requirements for Minor Subdivisions”, to allow a fifteen foot (15’) servitude in place of the required sixty foot (60’) servitude for Monica Martens located on Louisiana Highway 449 in Council District 1 for the division of Tract C-1 of the Shalimar Property into Tract C-1-A and Tract C-1-B located in Section 20, T6S-R4E – Jeff Ard (deferred from the October 13, 2022 regular meeting with contingency to obtain a letter from the property owner explaining what their wishes are for said property)”.

This item was tabled.

The chair addressed agenda item number 20, “Adopt resolution to change the speed limit on Old Frost Road from 15 mph to 30 mph located in Council District 8 – Randy Delatte”.

LPR NO. 22-397

MOTION was made by Randy Delatte and duly seconded by John Wascom to increase the speed limit on Old Frost Road from 15 mph to 30 mph located in Council District 8.

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

YEAS: MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. DELATTE, MR. MACK,
MR. KEEN, MR. TALBERT

NAYS: MR. GIRLINGHOUSE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse quantified his “Nay” vote.

The chair addressed agenda item number 21: “Adopt resolution to name an unnamed road, “Day Lane”, located off of Louisiana Highway 447 near Cullen Road in Council District 5 – R.C. “Bubba” Harris”.

This item was tabled.

The chair addressed agenda item numbers 22a, b, and c, “Adopt resolution to add roads for consideration to the Capital Outlay/Priority Road list:

- a. Gentley Road – Tracy Girlinghouse
- b. Joe Stafford Street – Tracy Girlinghouse
- c. Milton Road (south of the interstate) – Tracy Girlinghouse”.

It was established that the correct road name for agenda item number 22a was “Jim Tilley”.

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LPR NO. 22-398

MOTION was made by John Wascom and duly seconded by Maurice “Scooter” Keen to add the following roads for consideration to the Capital Outlay/Priority Road List:

- Jim Tilley located in Council District 7
- Joe Stafford located in Council District 7
- Milton Road (south of the interstate) located in Council District 7

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed Addendum to the agenda:

A-1: Waiver request of Section 125-37(4), Number of Lots on a Servitude, for Sal Palermo, located on Ben Fulger Road in Council District 2 – Garry Talbert

LPR NO. 22-399

MOTION was made by Garry Talbert and duly seconded by Gerald McMorris to authorize the waiver request of Section 125-37(4), Number of Lots on a Servitude, for Sal Palermo, located on Ben Fulger Road in Council District 2”.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

The chair addressed agenda item number 24, "Committee Report(s):

a. Finance committee

b. Ordinance committee: Recommendation(s) for **Introduction of Ordinance(s):**"

Finance committee chairman Maurice "Scooter" Keen gave a brief update on the Finance committee held earlier.

Ordinance committee chairman Tracy Girlinghouse gave a brief report.

The chair addressed agenda item number 28a, "Committee Report(s): Committee Report(s):

a. Ordinance committee: Recommendation(s) for Introduction of Ordinance(s):",
and advised that the Ordinance committee had not met, therefore, he had no report
at that time.

Councilman Maurice "Scooter" Keen, Finance committee chairman, advised that they would be meeting in October.

The chair addressed agenda item number 25, "District Attorney's Report:" and advised that there was no report.

Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was requested until the next regular meeting being scheduled on Thursday, November 10, 2022, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

LPR NO. 22-400

MOTION was offered by Tracy Girlinghouse is and duly seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen to adjourn the October 27, 2022 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. HARRIS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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


Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk


Jeff Ard, Council chairman

The audio and video for this meeting may be found in its entirety on the Livingston Parish Council's YouTube page at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=13fOa2v8it0>

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