

Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council
Livingston, Louisiana
April 11, 2024

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, located on 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

Lonnie Watts	John Mangus
Ryan Chavers	Ricky Goff
Billy Taylor	Dean Coates
Erin Sandefur	Joseph "Joe" Erdey
John Wascom	

Also present: Chris Moody, Parish Legal Counsel
Brandon Browning, Parish President's Office
Jim Gilbert, Parish President's Office
Mickey McMorris, Livingston Parish Finance Director

Absent: Parish President Randy Delatte

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 then turned the meeting over to the vice-chair in preparation for presiding meetings in the future.

The vice-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 vice-chair addressed agenda item number 7, "Adopt the Minutes for: March 28, 2024 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council".

LPR NO. 24-150

MOTION was made by John Mangus and duly seconded by Ricky Goff to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the March 28, 2024 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council and adopt as written.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS,
MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 8a, "Presentations: Recreation District No. 2 Five Year Plan – Ryan Chavers" and called upon Ms. Bobbi Jo Guerin-Coxe representing Recreation District Number 2 and the Watson Community.

Ms. Guerin-Coxe presented a rendering of the Recreation District's future plans. She discussed their last major project that was in 2017 with a bond issue.

She advised of the accomplishments that Recreation District No. 2 had achieved, such as, building the fourplex on the south end of the park, which had seating, shaded areas, and turf infields. In addition, they had built a concession stand with new bathrooms and they have a gorgeous playground.

She explained that the District has a Co-operative Endeavor Agreement with the school system, and for many years the high school girls and boys used their field, now they've built their own, and now the District has a chance to renovate that side of the field that is the north side and have plans to turf the fields.

Ms. Guerin-Coxe wished to acknowledge that the District did not ask for additional funds via the bond issue so that they could save money for the fourplex. She advised that they have an extremely conservative board at the present time, they do not waste money, and they spend it where it is needed.

She stated that they do not have many of the public who attend their meetings, that is why it is hard to accept that they are not transparent because they are very transparent. The board desires to have the public come to their meetings. She described a meeting that had approximately twenty (20) people that attended that were asking for pickle ball courts. She estimated that sixty to one hundred people (60-100) leave their Watson community every week to go play pickle ball elsewhere. The board has put that on a higher scope and want to implement pickle ball courts and hope to put that in the project with the north side of the park.

After the renewal passes, they would like to get the community's feedback on what they would like to see the district do.

She advised that they were landlocked. The District wanted the property that was located on the side of them, however, they could not afford it. She indicated that the District bought some land on Fore Road and would love to build a soccer complex there but it is going to take a lot of money. She stated that it was a beautiful piece of property and this was purchased with some of the bond money.

The Recreation District wanted the Council members to recognize that their salaries average nineteen percent (19%) over the past four years and maintain a low number of employees.

Additionally, they understand that the public would like to see the millage roll back. Their millage can be rolled back and she discussed different ways that it could be accomplished. She addressed Councilman Ryan Chavers and stated if the constituents wanted that, do it, and they would work with that budget. The Recreation District board members wanted to do what pleased the people and what their wishes were.

Ms. Guerin-Coxe stated that they hoped that their millage passes and they want people to know that it is a renewal, nothing new, and again, it could be rolled back. She further stated that the Council members could check with the Tourism Board and find out how much business that the Recreation District brings in.

In closing she stated that she loves that park and she hopes that the Council members know why the Recreation District wishes to renew that millage and it is very, very important to their community. She asked if anyone had any questions.

Councilman Ryan Chavers stated that he had three (3) questions. He asked about the maintenance of the park if the millage doesn't pass. He had received complaints about the bathrooms, in addition to reporting that there are stickers in the field, and some of the property is washing out in certain areas. He questioned if the board would still be able to fix these problems if the millage does not pass?

She answered that small maintenance can be accomplished, but for building and doing things that the public wants, there was no way.

Councilman Chavers questioned if the property on Fore Road was not for sale anymore? Did they not wish to utilize it? She stated that they wished to utilize it, but she thought if someone wanted it because they felt like the Recreation District was not using it, they could buy it, but it had to be

for what the Recreation District paid for it. She stated that the property was beautiful and she would love to see a separate complex, but they would have to consider the duplication of equipment and so on. She advised that was really what they would like to do and that is what they would plan on doing in the next five (5) years. She further advised that if the millage renewal passes, they would begin work on fourplex that is located on the north side of the park as soon as possible, as long as they had the weather.

Councilman Chavers asked if the Councilmembers had any questions.

Councilman Ricky Goff asked for clarification on the property that is located on Fore Road. The desire of the Recreation District, if the millage passes, and if you have the funding mechanism, their goal is to build a soccer complex, but if it doesn't pass, then it is a possibility in order to keep the park moving forward, it would go up for sale at that point.

Ms. Guerin-Coxe stated yes, that the property belonged to the Parish and had been purchased with bond money that they are steadily paying back. She was not sure what the rules were on that, but it was the Recreation District's desire to develop it.

Councilman John Mangus asked what was the date of the election for this millage renewal. Ms. Guerin-Coxe stated that the election date was April 27, 2024 and that early voting would begin on the upcoming Saturday and go through until the next Saturday.

Councilman Chavers wished to say thank you to Ms. Guerin-Coxe. He thought that the presentation that she provided could not get any more transparent. He acknowledged that she was a huge asset to Watson and to him and everyone in the community.

The vice-chair also thanked Ms. Guerin-Coxe and stated that she appreciated the way that she represented Recreation District No. 2 in her presentation.

The vice-chair moved to the next presentation for CASA (Children's Advocacy Center) and called upon Ms. Karen Meche, Advocate Supervisor of CASA.

Ms. Meche stated that on behalf of CASA and the children of Livingston Parish, she wanted to thank the Parish and the Council for signing the proclamation declaring April as Child Abuse Prevention month. She advised that their children are their most vulnerable assets and they deserve to be heard and they deserve to have people stand with them. She thanked them and the vice-chair asked if Ms. Meche could read the proclamation as follows.

2024 Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation

- WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a complex and ongoing problem in our society, affecting many children in our community; and
- WHEREAS, every child is entitled to be loved, cared for, nurtured, feel secure and be free from verbal, sexual, emotional and physical abuse, and neglect; and
- WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of every adult who comes in contact with a child to protect that child's inalienable right to a safe and nurturing childhood; and
- WHEREAS, Livingston Parish has dedicated individuals and organizations who work daily to counter the problem of child maltreatment and to help parents obtain the assistance they need; and
- WHEREAS, our communities are stronger when all citizens become aware of child maltreatment prevention and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe and nurturing environment; and
- WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among families, social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community; and
- WHEREAS, all citizens, community agencies, faith organizations, businesses will work to increase their efforts to support families

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Parish of Livingston hereby proclaims the month of April 2024, to be

Parish President Randy Delatte commends this observance during April 2024 to the citizens of Livingston Parish.

April 11, 2024
Date

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS,
MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair then allowed for a photo opportunity to which everyone obliged.

The vice-chair addressed the next item on the agenda being the Parish President's Report.

None being, she moved to agenda item number 10a, "Office of the Parish President: Livingston Parish Department of Finance:

- a. Accept & Approve Material & Supply Bids for DPW & LPDC – Mickey McMorris, Finance Director
 - i. Bridge Materials
 - ii. Asphalt Coated Arch Culverts
 - iii. RFP for Fuel Supply, Self-Monitoring, & Delivery to DPW Pumps
 - iv. Gabion Stone
 - v. Limestone 57 & 610
 - vi. Sand for Regular Operations & Emergency
 - vii. Washed Gravel
 - viii. RFP for Pharmaceuticals for the LPDC
 - ix. Prisoner Supplies for the LPDC"

The vice-chair called upon Livingston Parish Finance Director Mr. Mickey McMorris to present their recommendations for the 2024 Public Works and Jail Funds Annual Bids.

LPR NO. 24-152

MOTION was made by Dean Coates and duly seconded by Ricky Goff to accept the recommendations submitted by the Purchasing Department in Administration for the annual road materials and supplies bids, for the year 2024 as presented by the Finance Department for these materials and supplies resulting in contracts effective from the dates listed below; and to authorize the Parish President to enter into any applicable agreement or contract for this material:

1. **Bridge Materials: LeMoyen Mill & Timber – Prices are good for 1 year, upon the date of Council Approval**
2. **Asphalt Coated Arch Culverts: Southern Pipe & Supply – Prices are good for 1 year, upon the date of Council Approval**
3. **RFP for Fuel Supply, Self-Monitoring, & Delivery to DPW Pumps: Lard Oil Company —Prices are good for 1 year, upon the approval of the Council. This Contract may be renewed, for 12 month periods, up to 3 years, but shall not extend beyond 12/31/2028.**
4. **Gabion Stone: Chase Excavating – Prices are good for 1 year, upon the date of Council Approval**
5. **Limestone 57 & 610: Construction Aggregates – Prices are good for 1 year, upon the date of Council Approval**
6. **Sand for Regular Operations & Emergency: Mears Sand & Gravel – Prices are good for 1 year, upon the date of Council Approval**
7. **Washed Gravel: Mears Sand & Gravel – Prices are good for 1 year, upon the date of Council Approval**
8. **RFP for Pharmaceuticals for the LPDC: Contract Pharmacy Services — Prices are good for a 3 year contract, with an option to renew for 1 additional year, upon the date of Council Approval, but shall not extend beyond 12/31/2028.**

9. **Prisoner Supplies for the LPDC:– Prices are good for 1 year, upon the date of Council Approval**
Bob Barker: Towels, Bedding, Utensils, Laundry Supplies, Admission, Feminine Care, Hair Care, Canvas Shoes, Boots, Black & White Scrub Shirts, Orange Jumpsuits, Black & White Jumpsuits, Chore Coats, & Jeans
Charm-TeX: Hygiene, Shower Shoes, & Suicide Prevention
Economical: Personal Care

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS,
MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice- chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair addressed agenda addendum item number A-1:

- “A-1: Livingston Parish Planning and Zoning Commission:**
a. Adopt a resolution to approve a waiver of Section 126-9, “Building Lines”
Empire Electric **McLin Taylor, Inc.**
Final Site Plan with Waiver
US Hwy 190 Section 48, T6S, R3E Council District 4”

The vice-chair called upon Councilman John Wascom to address this item. Councilman Wascom advised that he had placed this on the addendum as they were on a timeline and it had already been through the Planning Commission. He has been out to the property, took a tour and observed that it was extremely nice. They are renovating an old building that was there and making it into an electrical contracting business. He explained that the waiver that was being requested was because it is close to a property line. Councilman Wascom had met with the adjoining property owner, Mr. Ray Jackson, who had no issues with the property line and advised that they were good neighbors.

Councilman Ryan Chavers questioned if the letter of no objection had been received from the adjoining neighbor. It was determined that it had been received.

LPR NO. 24-153

MOTION was made by Dean Coates and duly seconded by Ryan Chavers to authorize a waiver of Section 126-9, “Building Lines” for Empire Electric for the final site plan, upon receiving the letter of no objection from the adjoining neighbor, being located on US Highway 190, Section 48,T6S, R3E in Council District 4.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS,
MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 11, “Public Hearing and adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 24-08: Quitclaim/Servitude Revocation for S&P Investments – Glory Drive, Section 24, T7S, R4E, Council District 8 (*Recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission*)”.

The vice-chair directed the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title as follows:

L.P. ORDINANCE 24-08

AN ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

REVOKING THE DEDICATION, ABANDONING, AND QUITCLAIMING IN FAVOR OF JOSHUA SETH DEVILLE AND MARIA FRYOU DEVILLE, A 40' PRIVATE ALL- PURPOSE SERVITUDE, IDENTIFIED BY THE CROSS-HATCHED PORTION AS SHOWN ON THE PRELIMINARY MAP SHOWING SURVEY & RESUBDIVISION OF TRACTS GT-3-A, GT-3-B, GT-3-C & GT-3-D INTO TRACTS GT-3-A-1, GT-3-B-2, GT-3-C-3 & GT-3-D-4 LOCATED IN SECTION 24, T7S-R4E, GREENSBURG LAND DISTRICT, LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA, BY LESTER A. MCLIN, JR., PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, DATED NOVEMBER 9, 2023.

The vice-chair opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone present that wished to speak for or against this agenda item? Having none, the vice-chair closed the Public Hearing.

LPR NO. 24-154

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on March 28, 2024, 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 April 11, 2024 on Motion of Ryan Chavers and seconded by Joe Erdey:

L.P. ORDINANCE 24-08

AN ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

REVOKING THE DEDICATION, ABANDONING, AND QUITCLAIMING IN FAVOR OF JOSHUA SETH DEVILLE AND MARIA FRYOU DEVILLE, A 40' PRIVATE ALL- PURPOSE SERVITUDE, IDENTIFIED BY THE CROSS-HATCHED PORTION AS SHOWN ON THE PRELIMINARY MAP SHOWING SURVEY & RESUBDIVISION OF TRACTS GT-3-A, GT-3-B, GT-3-C & GT-3-D INTO TRACTS GT-3-A-1, GT-3-B-2, GT-3-C-3 & GT-3-D-4 LOCATED IN SECTION 24, T7S-R4E, GREENSBURG LAND DISTRICT, LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA, BY LESTER A. MCLIN, JR., PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, DATED NOVEMBER 9, 2023.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

(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 vice-chair addressed agenda item number 12, “Public Hearing and adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 24-09: Quitclaim/Servitude Revocation for Kieran Landry – River Point Drive, Section 5, T9S, R4E, Council District 6 (*Recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission*)”.

The vice-chair directed the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title as follows:

L. P. ORDINANCE NO. 24-09

AN ORDINANCE REVOKING THE DEDICATION AND ABANDONING AND QUITCLAIM IN FAVOR OF THE LANDOWNERS, AN UNIMPROVED RIGHT-OF-WAY ENTITLED RIVER POINT DRIVE LOCATED IN CYPRESS POINT ON THE

AMITE RIVER, SITUATED IN SECTION 5, T-9-S, R-4-E, G.L.D., LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN.

The vice-chair opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone present that wished to speak for or against this agenda item? Having none, the vice-chair closed the Public Hearing.

LPR NO. 24-155

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on March 28, 2024, 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 April 11, 2024 on Motion of Dean Coates and seconded by Lonnie Watts:

L. P. ORDINANCE NO. 24-09

AN ORDINANCE REVOKING THE DEDICATION AND ABANDONING AND QUITCLAIM IN FAVOR OF THE LANDOWNERS, AN UNIMPROVED RIGHT-OF-WAY ENTITLED RIVER POINT DRIVE LOCATED IN CYPRESS POINT ON THE AMITE RIVER, SITUATED IN SECTION 5, T-9-S, R-4-E, G.L.D., LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

(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 vice-chair addressed agenda item number 13, “Public Hearing and adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 24-10: Quitclaim/Servitude Revocation for Eagle Nest RV & Boat Storage – LA Highway 16, Section 42/45, T5S, R3E, Council District 2 – *(Recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission)*”.

The vice-chair directed the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title as follows:

L. P. ORDINANCE NO. 24-10

MAP SHOWING REVOCATION OF AN EXISTING 60’ ALL PURPOSE SERVITUDE LOCATED ON TRACT A-2-A-1-A-1-B LOCATED AT 36811 LA HWY 16, DENHAM SPRINGS, LA LOCATED IN SECTION 42 & 45, T5S-R3E, G.L.D., LIVINGSTON PARISH, LA FOR FOUR PACK, LLC BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN:

WHEREAS, BY THE OFFICIAL PLAT OF MAP SHOWING REVOCATION OF AN EXISTING 60’ ALL PURPOSE SERVITUDE LOCATED ON TRACT A-2-A-1-A-1-B LOCATED AT 36811 LA HWY 16, DENHAM SPRINGS, LA LOCATED IN SECTION 42 & 45, T5S-R3E, G.L.D., LIVINGSTON PARISH, LA FOR FOUR PACK, LLC.

The vice-chair opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone present that wished to speak for or against this agenda item? Having none, the vice-chair closed the Public Hearing.

LPR NO. 24-156

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on March 28, 2024, 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 April 11, 2024 on Motion of Ryan Chavers and seconded by John Mangus:

L. P. ORDINANCE NO. 24-10

MAP SHOWING REVOCATION OF AN EXISTING 60' ALL PURPOSE SERVITUDE LOCATED ON TRACT A-2-A-1-A-1-B LOCATED AT 36811 LA HWY 16, DENHAM SPRINGS, LA LOCATED IN SECTION 42 & 45, T5S-R3E, G.L.D., LIVINGSTON PARISH, LA FOR FOUR PACK, LLC BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN:

WHEREAS, BY THE OFFICIAL PLAT OF MAP SHOWING REVOCATION OF AN EXISTING 60' ALL PURPOSE SERVITUDE LOCATED ON TRACT A-2-A-1-A-1-B LOCATED AT 36811 LA HWY 16, DENHAM SPRINGS, LA LOCATED IN SECTION 42 & 45, T5S-R3E, G.L.D., LIVINGSTON PARISH, LA FOR FOUR PACK, LLC.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

(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 vice-chair addressed agenda item number 14, "Introduction of Ordinance: To Amend Chapter 125, "Subdivision Regulations", Article II – "Studies", Section 125-21, "Required Studies and Statistical Data for Development", Requiring Traffic Impact Studies and Drainage Impact Studies with the Submission of Planning and Zoning Application of Nine (9) Lots or More of the Code of Ordinances of Livingston Parish – Ryan Chavers".

The vice-chair advised that this item was being tabled and sent to the Ordinance committee, which will meet on Tuesday, April 23, 2024. Upon its review at the Ordinance committee, it will then be placed on the agenda for the next Council meeting where it will be picked up for introduction.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 15a, "Board (re)Appointment(s)/Resignation(s): Livingston Parish Convention & Visitors' Bureau" and called upon Councilman Lonnie Watts.

LPR NO. 24-157

MOTION was made by Lonnie Watts and duly seconded by Ryan Chavers to reappoint Lynn Sibley to the Livingston Parish Convention and Visitors' Bureau (Tourism Board), having met the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statute 33:4574, said three (3) year term will expire on February 11, 2026.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 18b, “Board (re)Appointment(s)/Resignation(s): Gravity Drainage District No. 1: Accept Resignation – Billy Taylor”.

LPR NO. 24-158

MOTION was made by Billy Taylor and duly seconded by Dean Coates to accept the resignation of Jessie Spence (resident of Council District 3) from Gravity Drainage District No. 1 effective December 12, 2023; remainder of four (4) year term to expire on November 22, 2025.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 18c, “Board (re)Appointment(s)/Resignation(s): Gravity Drainage District No. 1: Board appointment – Billy Taylor”.

LPR NO. 24-159

MOTION was made by Billy Taylor and duly seconded by John Mangus to appoint Brian Ross (resident of Council District 3) to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Jessie Spence (resident of Council District 3) from Gravity Drainage District No. 1; remainder of this four (4) year term will expire on November 22, 2025.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 18d, “Board (re)Appointment(s)/Resignation(s): Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 1: Ratify the Town of Albany’s board appointment”.

LPR NO. 24-160

MOTION was made by Joe Erdey and duly seconded by John Mangus to ratify the board reappointment of Derwin Miley (Town of Albany appointment) to serve on Fire Protection District No. 1; term of the prior board appointment expired on January 1, 2023 and the remainder of this two (2) year term will expire on January 1, 2025.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 16a, “Committee Report(s): Finance Committee: Consideration and Adoption of resolution(s) from positive committee recommendations”, and called upon Councilman John Mangus, Finance committee chairman. Councilman Mangus reported that the committee had met prior to the Council meeting and approved a recommendation to send to the Council for approval the purchase of a new FTR Touch Recording system in the amount of eight thousand three hundred ten dollars (\$8,310.00) which includes the recorder with mixer, software, installation, training and annual support. They also discussed the purchase of a back up generator. Councilman Mangus asked if Mr. Mickey McMorris, Livingston Parish Finance Director, could help advise the Council members about this needed purchase.

Mr. McMorris advised that this was a generator that is located at the Administrative Building and the Health Unit that was struck by lightning some time ago. Insurance did pay the Parish ninety-three thousand dollars (\$93,000.00) and another thirty-five hundred (\$3500.00) to install it. Mr. McMorris advised that Administration issued some bids, having one (1) bid come back at one hundred seventeen thousand (\$117,000.00), another was ninety-nine thousand (\$99,000.00) and one (1) was one hundred twenty-nine thousand dollars (\$129,000.00). He stated that the one (1) that was priced at one hundred seventeen thousand dollars (\$117,000.00) was in stock and available for installation now, and the other ones had a six (6) month delay. They were asking to get that particular generator that is in stock so that they can have it installed by hurricane season.

LPR NO. 24-161

MOTION was made by John Mangus and duly seconded by Ricky Goff to purchase the FTR Touch 7.6 digital conference recorder in the amount of eight thousand three hundred ten dollars (\$8,310.00) that includes the channel digital recorder with mixer, digital annotation software, EBS on-site installation, on-site training, and annual support.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS,
MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

LPR NO. 24-162

MOTION was made by John Mangus and duly seconded by Billy Taylor to purchase the generator presented by Mr. Mickey McMorris, Livingston Parish Finance Director, from the CAT Company/Caterpillar Corporation located in New Iberia, Louisiana in the amount of one hundred seventeen thousand dollars (\$117,000.00) to be installed at the Administrative Building/Health Unit.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS,
MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the vice-chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on April 11, 2024.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 16b, “Committee Report(s): Ordinance Committee: Recommendation(s) of ordinance introduction(s)”, and called upon Councilman Dean Coates, Ordinance committee chairman. Councilman Coates advised that the Ordinance committee would be meeting on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. He requested if anyone had anything to bring before the Ordinance committee please forward that through and they look forward to having everyone there to help them sift through some of those ordinances.

The vice-chair addressed agenda item number 17, “District Attorney’s Report” and called upon Mr. Chris Moody. Mr. Moody advised that he did not have a report that evening and just wanted to say hello and he was glad to be back with them. He congratulated all of the new members and looked forward to working with them and stated that they were available to answer any questions anytime they need their help.

Councilman John Wascom asked to have discussion before they adjourned the meeting.

He noticed that Mr. Wesley Kinnebrew was in attendance in the audience and asked if he would like say anything that was on his mind? Councilman Wascom wished to say that Gravity Drainage District 1 does an outstanding job in his Council district and other districts as well. He thanked Mr. Kinnebrew for his hard work and all that he does.

Mr. Wesley Kinnebrew, Manager of Gravity Drainage District No. 1, approached the podium and advised that he was not there for any particular reason, he had been wanting to come and it had a been busy, busy time over there. He wished to thank each one of them, he had four (4) Council members who were located in Gravity Drainage District No. 1’s area. He wanted to thank everyone, to thank DPW and the employees going from Mr. Robert down, they had a great relationship. He indicated that he had an awesome relationship with the City of Denham Springs and with Gravity Drainage District No. 2 and District 5.

Councilman John Mangus wished to call upon Mr. Robert Dugas, Director of the Department of Public Works. Councilman Ricky Goff asked for an update on the Forrest Delatte Bridge. Mr. Dugas advised that the only update that he could give was that they had poured both of the head walls and the rain held them up for a day or two, but they were back in there now rubbing the walls, rubbing the concrete, getting them up. He acknowledged that there were some drainage on the side that would have to be put in, with hopes of doing some redesign and make it quicker than what was originally in there. He stated that the goal was to get done by end of the month.

Councilman Goff commended them for the Facebook updates and he thought that the people were being extremely patient. He thanked them for the daily updates.

Councilman Ryan Chavers wished to remind everyone that “Love the Boot Day” is April the 20th at 9:00 a.m. in Watson located at Elite Power Sports. He advised that it was a litter pickup and it’s going on across the entire state. He stated that anyone can participate and they welcomed all volunteers.

Councilman Dean Coates wished to thank Mr. Dugas because his team had worked really hard out in their district during the inclement weather that they just had. He asked if Mr. Dugas could bring that back to his people and let them know that it is not overlooked and it’s very appreciated.

Councilman John Mangus stated that along with Councilman Ryan Chavers in Council District 2, he was having a “Love the Boot Day” litter event for District 6 on April 20th. He advised that their meeting place would be located at Richard Price Construction on Walker South at 8:00 a.m. He encouraged everyone to sign up and go online to volunteer for Council District 2 or 6. He stated that they would have food, t-shirts and beverages at the meeting point.

The vice-chair advised that Council District 5 was signed up as well, and asked if there were any other districts doing it too. Councilman John Wascom stated that the City of Denham Springs will be participating for the entire week and will have drop off for garbage, white goods and electronics that day as well.

Mr. Jim Gilbert from Administration wished to mention that as a reminder, one (1) week from Saturday on April 20th, they would be having dump day at the DPW yard located right down the road from where they were at and yes, it’s solid waste, white goods, bulky items, sofas, chairs, mattresses, box springs, dressers, plastics, glass, aluminum, bagged clothing, electronics, TVs, computers and would be from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

The vice-chair wished to state for clarification that it would not be for hazardous waste. She advised that they would be having a hazardous waste day in the fall.

Mr. Gilbert agreed and stated that was the plan.

Public input: Bobbi Jo Guerin-Coxe

Councilman Ricky Goff wished to talk about the upcoming election which is the 27th for the Live Oak park, but also in his district, Gravity Drainage District No. 5 will be on the ballot for a renewal. He spoke of the outstanding work that they had done. He commended the District for their Facebook page and the information they posted to let the people know what they are doing. He strongly encouraged everyone to go out and support that and get that passed where they can continue to do the work that they can in the districts.

Councilman Joe Erdey wanted to share that at the next meeting he had spoken to the chair about designating it like Hungarian Day for the Council here and they would have this area decorated the day before. He stated that also, we were going to have Hungarian food here an hour before, like 5:00 p.m., for all of y'all to come eat. He said that it's going to be good and you're going to like it. He advised that the caveat here is that he was going to do the prayer that night in Hungarian for everybody, but it's going to be on the screen in English.

Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was requested until the next regular meeting being scheduled on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

LPR NO. 24-163

MOTION was offered by John Mangus and duly seconded by Lonnie Watts to adjourn the April 11, 2024 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

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

YEAS: MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ERDEY, MR. GOFF, MR. WASCOM, MR. MANGUS,
MR. COATES, MR. CHAVERS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WATTS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

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



Sandy C. Teal, Council clerk



Erin Sandefur, Council vice-chairman

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