

Minutes of the Livingston Parish Council
Livingston, Louisiana
December 4, 2025

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, December 4, 2025, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. with the following Livingston Parish Council members present:

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| | Lonnie Watts | John Wascom | Dean Coates |
| | Billy Taylor | John Mangus | Joseph "Joe" Erdey |
- Absent: Ryan Chavers
Erin Sandefur
Ricky Goff
Randy Delatte, Parish President
- Also present: Brad Cascio, Parish Legal Counsel
Scooter Keen, Zoning Administrator
Mickey McMorris, Livingston Parish Finance Director and Chief Administrative Officer
Robert Dugas, Livingston Parish Department of Public Works Director

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 8, "Presentations:". Having none, the chair moved to the next item on the agenda.

The chair addressed agenda item number 9, "Adoption of the minutes from the November 20, 2025 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council".

LPR NO. 25-393

MOTION was offered by John Mangus and duly seconded by Joe Erdey to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the November 20, 2025 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. WATTS, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. ERDEY, MR. TAYLOR,
MR. WASCOM
- NAYS: NONE
- ABSENT: MR. GOFF, MS. SANDEFUR, MR. CHAVERS
- ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on December 4, 2025.

The chair addressed agenda item number 10, "Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 25-30: An Ordinance Amending L.P. Ordinance No. 25-22 adopted October 9, 2025 to clarify certain provisions related to redemption of the bonds and provide for other matters in conjunction therewith - Jim Ryan".

The chair advised that Mr. Jim Ryan, Parish Financial Advisor, of Government Consultants, Inc. was unable to attend the meeting that evening and called upon Mr. Mickey McMorris, Parish Chief Financial Officer.

Mr. McMorris greeted the Council members and advised that Mr. Ryan had called him earlier that day and asked if he could present this agenda item on his behalf. Mr. McMorris explained that this proposed ordinance was addressing some of the language found in the original ordinance in regard to mandatory redemption.

The chair stated that this was a housekeeping ordinance. Mr. McMorris concurred.

The chair asked the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title as follows:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 25-30

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 25-22 ADOPTED OCTOBER 9, 2025 TO CLARIFY CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATED TO REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS AND PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH.

The chair opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak for or against this proposed ordinance? Having none, the chair closed the Public Hearing.

LPR NO. 25-394

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on November 20, 2025, 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 December 4, 2025 on Motion of John Mangus and duly seconded by Lonnie Watts:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 25-30

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 25-22 ADOPTED OCTOBER 9, 2025 TO CLARIFY CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATED TO REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS AND PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH.

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

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

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and the ordinance was adopted on December 4, 2025.

(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 10, “Public Hearing and Adoption of L.P. Ordinance No. 25-27: Adoption of 2026 Budget and 2025 Budget Amendments”, and called upon the Council clerk to read the ordinance by title as follows:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 25-27

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 BUDGET AND ADOPTING THE 2026 BUDGET OF THE LIVINGSTON PARISH PRESIDENT-COUNCIL RELATIVE TO THE GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS, DEBT SERVICE FUNDS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS.

The chair opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone who wished to speak on this proposed ordinance. Having none, the chair closed the Public Hearing.

LPR NO. 25-395

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on October 9, 2025, 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 December 4, 2025 on Motion of John Mangus and duly seconded by John Wascom:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 25-27

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 BUDGET AND ADOPTING THE 2026 BUDGET OF THE LIVINGSTON PARISH PRESIDENT-COUNCIL RELATIVE

TO THE GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS, DEBT SERVICE FUNDS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS.

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

YEAS: MR. WATTS, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. ERDEY, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WASCOM

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. GOFF, MS. SANDFUR, MR. CHAVERS

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and the ordinance was adopted on December 4, 2025.

(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 12, “Parish President’s Report:”, and advised that there was no report.

The chair addressed agenda item number 13a, “Finance Department: Adopt a resolution authorizing the Parish President to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Town of Livingston and the Livingston Parish Council to provide and facilitate funding assistance to support the construction of new batting cages and storage at Sartwell Park that will enhance local recreational opportunities, support youth sports programs and strengthen community engagement”.

The chair advised that this item had been pulled. He asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak on this agenda item.

Having none, the chair moved to the next agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item number 14a, “Livingston Parish Grants Department: Adopt a resolution authorizing the Parish President to enter into a contract with Power Cross, LLC regarding the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Statewide (5%) Generators Project 4458-0008 for the purchase of two (2) generators and an automatic transfer switch for the Governmental (DMV) Building and the Communications Tower Site”.

LPR NO. 25-396

MOTION was offered by John Wascom and duly seconded by Dean Coates to authorize the Parish President to enter into a contract with Power Cross, LLC regarding the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Statewide (5%) Generators Project 4458-0008 for the purchase of two (2) generators and an automatic transfer switch for the Governmental (DMV) Building and the Communications Tower Site.

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

YEAS: MR. WATTS, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. ERDEY, MR. TAYLOR, MR. WASCOM

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. GOFF, MS. SANDFUR, MR. CHAVERS

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on December 4, 2025.

The chair addressed agenda item number 15a, “Livingston Parish Department of Public Works: Adopt a resolution authorizing the Parish President to enter into a contract with G.E.C., Inc. regarding the Better Roads 2025 Bond Series Project – Robert Dugas, Livingston Parish Department of Public Works Director”.

The chair called upon Mr. Robert Dugas, Livingston Parish Department of Public Works Director. Mr. Dugas addressed the Council members and explained that GEC had been selected through the procurement process by the selection committee to do the construction management of the eighty-million-dollar (\$80,000,000) road bond.

LPR NO. 25-397

MOTION was offered by John Mangus and duly seconded by Lonnie Watts to authorize the Parish President to enter into a contract with G.E.C., Inc. that will support the Livingston Parish Public Works Staff in the planning, design and implementation of the “Better Roads 2025 Bond Series Project”.

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

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

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on December 4, 2025.

The chair addressed agenda item number 16a, “Livingston Parish Zoning Commission:
Re-Zoning Request from the November 3, 2025 Zoning Commission meeting
Case No. 25-54: located at 27710 JC Stewart Road, Albany, LA – Parcel #0140129 (1.722 acres)
requested by applicant/owner RCR Properties, LLC to be re-zoned from R-1 to R-1.5 in Council
District 9”.

The chair advised that this agenda item request was received as a denial from the Planning and Zoning Commission, having a vote of six (6) “yeses” and three (3) absent.

Public input: Carrol Simmoneaux, neighboring resident of property and opposed to the re-zone request
Earl Deville, neighboring resident of property and opposed to the re-zone request
Julie Stafford, neighboring resident of property and opposed to the re-zone request

Having no further public input, the chair called for a motion and a second. Councilman John Mangus stated that he wished to make a motion to accept the recommendation from Planning and Zoning which was a denial. Councilman John Wascom stated that he wished to make the second to that motion.

Councilman Joe Erdey shared his knowledge of this property and agreed with the Planning recommendation to deny the re-zoning request.

The chair called for the vote. The vote was five (5) “YEAs”, three (3) ABSENT and one (1) “NAY”.

The chair questioned Councilman Joe Erdey’s “NAY” vote. He clarified that a “NAY” vote was in favor of approving the property to be re-zoned from R-1 to R-1.5.

Councilman Erdey wished to change his vote from “NAY” to “YEA”, whereby accepting the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to deny the re-zoning request.

LPR NO. 25-398

MOTION was made by John Mangus and duly seconded by John Wascom to accept the recommendation of the Livingston Parish Zoning Commission and **to deny** the re-zoning request for property owner and applicant, RCR Properties, LLC, Parcel# 0140129 (1.722 acres), Case No. 25-54, addressed at 27710 JC Stewart Road, Albany, Louisiana, located in Council District No. 1.

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

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

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on December 4, 2025.

The chair addressed agenda item number 17, “Introduction of ordinance: Amend Chapter 117, “Zoning”, Article II., “Administration and Enforcement”, Division 2., “Amendment of Regulations”,

by adding Section 117-54, “Fees” and whereby also amending Part III - “Land Development Code”, “Appendix B-Fees”, for the inclusion of zoning fees – Councilman Billy Taylor”.

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

L.P. ORDINANCE 25-31

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, “ZONING”, ARTICLE II., “ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT”, DIVISION 2., “AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS”, BY ADDING SECTION 117-54, “FEES” AND WHEREBY ALSO AMENDING PART III - “LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE”, “APPENDIX B-FEES”, FOR THE INCLUSION OF ZONING AND PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT FEES AS FOLLOWS:

The chair advised that this proposed ordinance would also be reviewed by the Livingston Parish Planning and Zoning Commission. He explained the zoning timeline and proposed implementation of fees.

LPR NO. 25-399

MOTION was offered by Dean Coates and duly seconded by Joe Erdey to publish the ordinance by title in the Official Journal and set a Public Hearing for Thursday, January 22, 2026, at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. at the Governmental Building in the Livingston Parish Council chambers located at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time comments will be received on the proposed ordinance prior to a Council vote.

L.P. ORDINANCE 25-31

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117, “ZONING”, ARTICLE II., “ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT”, DIVISION 2., “AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS”, BY ADDING SECTION 117-54, “FEES” AND WHEREBY ALSO AMENDING PART III - “LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE”, “APPENDIX B-FEES”, FOR THE INCLUSION OF ZONING AND PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT FEES AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: MR. WATTS, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. ERDEY, MR. TAYLOR

NAYS: MR. WASCOM

ABSENT: MR. GOFF, MS. SANDFUR, MR. CHAVERS

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on December 4, 2025.

The chair addressed agenda item number 18, “Adopt a resolution to authorize a hardship waiver of Section 125-176, “Definitions”, that will allow the issuance of a second address in Council District 9 on the property owned by Linda Roberts located at 30290 Charles King Road, Albany, LA 70711 that will assist and enable her to take care of her disabled brother– Councilman Joe Erdey”.

The chair advised that this agenda item was being pulled. He asked if there was anyone in attendance who wished to speak. Having none, he moved to the next agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item number 19, “Adopt a resolution to name an unnamed road, “Chapel Pine Drive”, for 911 purposes located off of LA Highway 442 in Council District 9 being approximately one thousand sixty-five feet (1,065’) long and sixty feet (60’) wide for property owner CDT Management Services, LLC/Erik Cooper – Councilman Joe Erdey”.

LPR NO. 25-400

MOTION was offered by Joe Erdey and duly seconded by Dean Coates to name an unnamed road, “Chapel Pine Drive”, for 911 purposes as approved in writing on November 19, 2025 by the Livingston Parish Planning and Development Department, located off of LA Highway 442 in Council District 9 being approximately one thousand sixty-five feet (1,065’) long and sixty feet (60’) wide for property owner CDT Management Services, LLC/Erik Cooper.

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

YEAS: MR. WATTS, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. ERDEY, MR. TAYLOR,
MR. WASCOM

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. GOFF, MS. SANDFUR, MR. CHAVERS

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on December 4, 2025.

The chair addressed agenda item number 20a, “Board (re)Appointment(s)/Resignation(s): Ratification of Fire Protection District No. 4’s reappointment of Robert Dugas (Member At-Large: Appointed by the Board) – Councilman John Mangus”.

LPR NO. 25-401

MOTION was offered by John Mangus and duly seconded by Lonnie Watts to ratify the reappointment of Mr. Robert Dugas (Member At-Large: Appointed by the Board) as a board member of the Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 4; to serve a two (2) year term that will expire on January 1, 2027.

YEAS: MR. WATTS, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. ERDEY, MR. TAYLOR,
MR. WASCOM

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. GOFF, MS. SANDFUR, MR. CHAVERS

ABSTAIN: NONE

Thereupon the chair declared that the Motion had carried and was adopted on December 4, 2025.

The chair addressed agenda item 21a, “Committee Report(s): Finance Committee”, and called upon Councilman John Mangus, Finance committee member.

Councilman John Mangus gave a brief report of their committee meeting. He advised that they discussed the 2026 Budget and made a recommendation to the Council for its acceptance.

The chair addressed agenda item number 21b, “Committee Report(s): Infrastructure Committee”, and advised that there was nothing to report at that time.

The chair addressed agenda item number 21c, “Committee Report(s): Ordinance Committee” and stated that there was nothing to report that evening for this agenda item.

The chair addressed agenda item number 22, “District Attorney’s Report”.

He explained that in the past, this Council has not had the last meeting of the year. He advised of a previous resolution that had been adopted that stated that they would not put anything on the last meeting of the year. The chair had discussed this with the Parish’s Legal Counsel and had already spoken with two (2) of the Council members who were not in attendance that evening. He wished to address the members that were sitting currently in the meeting and asked if they would be in favor of not having the last meeting of the year. There was not an official vote, but the Council members that were present were all verbally in agreement to not having the December 18, 2025 regular meeting of the Council. The meetings would then resume in January. The chair also wanted to announce that if something did come up that required immediate attention, he would call a meeting.

Councilman John Wascom wished to clarify that the chair was cancelling the regular scheduled meeting and if necessary, the Council would have a special meeting. The chair concurred.

The chair called upon Mr. Brad Cascio, Parish Legal Advisor, and asked if he had anything to address for the “District Attorney’s Report”.

Mr. Cascio advised that he did not have anything to report at that time. He stated that he hoped that everyone had a good Thanksgiving and he was happy to be back.

The chair concurred and stated that it was good to see Mr. Cascio back in attendance.

The chair addressed agenda item number 23, “Councilmembers’ Comments”.

Councilman John Wascom stated that he had a wonderful Thanksgiving and wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas as well.

Councilman Dean Coates advised that there was not much to say, it had been another exciting year on the Council and he appreciated serving with the other Council members. He stated that he also appreciated the public that comes out and gets involved in their government and thought that was very important. He wished for everyone to have a great new year and a great Christmas.

The chair called upon Councilman Joe Erdey who advised that he did have something that he wanted to say.

Councilman Erdey announced:

“Have a holly jolly Christmas, it’s the best time of the year.

Say, “Hello”, to friends you know and have a cup of cheer!”

Councilman Lonnie Watts encouraged everyone to bring their children and participate in the Christmas light display, “The Merriest Mile”, that was being held at the Livingston Parish Fairgrounds.

Councilman John Mangus thanked everyone and stated that it was an honor to serve for thirty-two (32) years as a public-school teacher, in addition to also serving Council District 6 for the last two (2) years in the Parish. He acknowledged what an incredible honor that it was to serve and thanked Mr. Gerald McMorris who spoke with him and encouraged him to run and get involved. He also wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a wonderful new year.

The chair stated with that being said, he too wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and encouraged everyone to enjoy their family time, remember their loved ones who may not be located close by, and if travelling, be safe.

Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was requested until they would meet again at the next regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council scheduled on Thursday, January 8, 2026 at the hour of six o’clock (6:00) p.m. in Livingston, Louisiana.

LPR NO. 25-402

MOTION was offered by John Wascom and duly seconded by Joe Erdey to adjourn the December 4, 2025 regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council.

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

YEAS: MR. WATTS, MR. MANGUS, MR. COATES, MR. ERDEY, MR. TAYLOR,
MR. WASCOM

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MR. GOFF, MS. SANDFUR, MR. CHAVERS

ABSTAIN: NONE

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

\s\ Sandy C. Teal

Sandy C. Teal, Council clerk

\s\ Billy Taylor

Billy Taylor, 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=OFawu24fi2k>

It may also be found on the Livingston Parish Council’s website at:

<https://www.livingstonparishcouncil.com/>

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Teal at the Livingston Parish Council office at (225)686-3027.