

Minutes of a meeting of the Plaquemines Parish Council, as the Sole Governing Authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District, held in the Belle Chasse Council Building Chambers, 333 F. Edward Hebert Blvd., Bldg. 203, Belle Chasse, Louisiana, on Thursday, April 11, 2019, at 1:00 p.m., pursuant to notice to all members with a quorum present as follows:

PRESENT: Commissioner John L. Barthelemy, Jr., Chairman
Commissioner Corey Arbourgh
Commissioner Stuart J. Guey
Commissioner Benedict Rousselle
Commissioner Trudy Newberry
Commissioner Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr.
Commissioner Richie Blink
Commissioner Mark Cognevich

Kim M. Toups, Secretary

ABSENT: Commissioner W. Beau Black

General Sandy Sanders, Paul Matthews, Chambrel Riley and Christie Nielsen were present to represent the Port.

The Prayer said and the Pledge was recited.

There being no items for Executive Session, Commissioner Barthelemy moved to Agenda Item 3, "Status Report by the Executive Port Director ". Without objection, so ordered. Sandy Sanders reported there was nothing significant to report except for the following events:

- Governor's Westbank Luncheon – April 12, 2019
- Port Night with the Baby Cakes – April 18, 2019
- Plaquemines Parish Day at the Legislature – April 23, 2019
- Gulf Ports Association Spring Meeting – May 1-3, 2019 Point Clear, AL
- International Freight Forwarders & Customs Brokers Assn. of N.O. Trade Symposium – May 16-18, 2019 Point Clear, AL
- C. Alvin Bertel Award Luncheon – May 22, 2019
- WTCNO Transportation Committee Meeting – June 3, 2019
- Three of our Port Commissioners, Rousselle, Newberry and Blink will be attending the AAPA Commissioners seminar in San Francisco from June 18-20, 2019.

Council Member Newberry wondered how the Port boat operates out of the Venice Boat Harbor because the Administration and Council were told by the Port that they could not provide security for Port Eads. Mr. Sanders explained that the Port employees were not deputized and not trained for that sort of mission. The question then arose about how long does it take for the boat to get to Port Eads and if, during normal patrolling, do they go all the way to Southwest Pass. The Port Administration replied that it takes 60 minutes to get to Port Eads and occasionally they do run all the way down to the Pass.

Commissioner Rousselle said that he realizes the letter sent by the President to the Port did request security; however, he would have preferred the letter to ask for the Port Authority boat to be parked and housed there for a few weeks until the Port Eads caretaker issue was resolved. Commissioner Rousselle said it was never the intent for the Port to permanently abandon the Coast Guard Station. He also asked if there was an agreement with the Coast Guard to keep the Boat there and if so if there was any fees involved. Sandy Sanders said there is an agreement; however, there are no fees. Sandy Sanders said they would take another look at the situation.

There being no Bids or Advertisements, Commissioner Barthelemy moved to Agenda Item 5, "Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions". Without objection, so ordered. The following was introduced:

1. A Resolution authorizing Maynard "Sandy" Sanders, as Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District, to extend the agreement with Trident Holdings, Inc., for the

implementation of the Port's Master Plan for an additional one year; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COMMISSIONER BARTHELEMY

Commissioner Barthelemy moved to Agenda Item 6, "Ordinances and Resolutions on second reading and final passage". Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-107

On motion of Commissioner LaFrance, seconded by Commissioner Cognevich, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", Commissioner Black who was "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution adopting the amendments to the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District's (the Port) Accounting Policies and Procedures manual.

WHEREAS, the amendments are in response to the Port's 2017 Year-End Financial Audit, 2017 Agreed Upon Procedures Report, the 2015-2017 internal audit on Port Travel and Credit Cards and the 2018 Port Contracts and Agreements internal audit findings; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 14-223, adopted the Accounting policies in order to enhance the Operating Procedures and controls for the Port;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby establishes the attached Accounting Policies of the Port.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT all amendments and updates to the attached policies shall be brought before the Plaquemines Parish Council as the Sole Governing Authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District for approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-108

On motion of Commissioner Barthelemy, seconded by Commissioner LaFrance, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", Commissioner Black who was "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution for the establishment of an Account with Regions Bank for Payments in Lieu of Taxes receipts; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 18-313 approved the donation of funds and authorized the Executive Director of the Port to use such funds to acquire certain immovable property, and to execute lease agreement and a cooperative endeavor agreement between Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District and Plaquemines Liquids Terminal LLC; and

WHEREAS, Section 4.3 and Section 4.4 of the lease agreement, require Lessee to make PILOT payments directly to Lessor;

NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL, AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby authorizes the Port Executive Director, Maynard J. “Sandy” Sanders to open an Account with Regions Bank and sign any and all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL, AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Executive Director, Maynard J. “Sandy” Sanders, the Port Deputy Director, Paul Matthews, the Port Director of Administration, Christie Nielsen and the Director of Port Security and Vessels, Donald Durr are hereby authorized to execute any and all signature cards and enter into any and all agreements, including, without limitation the Deposit Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL, AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-46

The following Ordinance was offered by Commissioner Barthelemy who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend and as amended to readopt the Plaquemines Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 2-18, *Rules for Transaction of Business Before the Council, as the Sole Governing Authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District*, Rule 19(a); and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, there is an item which needs to be added to the items of business which the council conducts at its regularly scheduled Port, Harbor & Terminal District meetings;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL, AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1

Chapter 2, Section 2-18, Rule 19(a) shall now read as follows:

- (a) The business of the council as the sole governing authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District shall be conducted in the following manner:
 - (1) Roll call, prayer and pledge of allegiance.
 - (2) Executive session.
 - (3) Status report by the port executive director.
 - (3a) Port financial report
 - (4) Bids and advertisements.
 - (5) Introduction of ordinances and resolutions.
 - (6) Ordinances and Resolutions on second reading and final passage.
 - (7) New business.
 - (7a) Resolutions wherein a suspension is being sought.
 - (8) Approval of the minutes.

SECTION 2

The remainder of Rule 19 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Commissioner Rousselle seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Commissioners John L. Barthelemy, Jr., Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

Commissioner Barthelemy moved to Agenda Item 7, "New Business". Without objection, so ordered.

Commissioner Rousselle offered a motion to suspend the rules to add an item for consideration at today's meeting entitled, "A Resolution supporting HB No. 87 by Representative Leopold and Senators Carter and Hewitt providing for State supplemental pay for fire protection officers of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District at no expense to the Plaquemines Parish Government or the Port; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto". There was a unanimous second and upon roll call, all members present voting "YES", except Commissioner Black who was "ABSENT", the motion was adopted by a vote of 8-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-109

On motion of Commissioner Rousselle with a unanimous second, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", Commissioner Black who was "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution supporting HB No. 87 by Representative Leopold and Senators Carter and Hewitt providing for State supplemental pay for fire protection officers of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District at no expense to the Plaquemines Parish Government or the Port; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, Represent Leopold and Senators Carter and Hewitt have proposed HB No. 87 which provides for supplemental pay in the amount of \$500.00 to be paid by the State to every fire protection officer who is employed on a full-time basis by the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District; and

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Parish Council, as the sole governing authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, strongly supports said proposed bill;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby supports HB No. 87 authorizing State supplemental pay for fire

protection officers of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District at no expense to the Plaquemines Parish Government or the Port.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Plaquemines Parish State Legislative Delegation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

There was no financial report to be given under Item 7b.

Commissioner Barthelemy moved to Agenda Item 8, "Approval of the Minutes". Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-110

On motion of Commissioner Barthelemy, seconded by Commissioner Newberry, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", except Commissioner Black who was "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL, AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby approves the minutes of March 28, 2019 meeting as recorded by the Secretary of this Council.

There being no further business to come before this Council, on motion Commissioner Rousselle, seconded by Commissioner Barthelemy, and on roll call all members present and voting "Yes", except Commissioner Black who was "ABSENT", the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

Minutes of a meeting of the Plaquemines Parish Council held in held in the Belle Chasse Council Building Chambers, 333 F. Edward Hebert Blvd., Bldg. 203, Belle Chasse, Louisiana, on Thursday, April 11, 2019, at 1:45 p.m., pursuant to notice to all members with a quorum present as follows:

PRESENT: Council Member Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr., Vice-Chairman
Council Member John L. Barthelemy, Jr.
Council Member Corey Arbourgh
Council Member Stuart J. Guey
Council Member Benedict Rousselle
Council Member Trudy Newberry
Council Member Richie Blink
Council Member Mark Cognevich

Kim M. Toups, Secretary

ABSENT: Council Member W. Beau Black, Chairman

The Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance was dispensed with.

President Lepine, the Director of Administration Crystal Taylor and the Director of Public Service Todd Eppley were present representing the Administration.

The following items were deferred:

- 6c, A Resolution to establish a Records Retention Schedule for Parish Government; and to provide for related matters.
- 6d, An Ordinance requiring all developers to maintain and repair all streets, utilities, drainage structures and other improvements within their development for a minimum of five years; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
- 6e, An Ordinance to rescind, annul and set aside Ordinance No. 19-35 which appropriated \$53,400 from the Fund Balance Designated for Emergencies; to appropriate funding to fund eight part-time lifeguard positions; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
- 6f, An Ordinance to amend the Five Year Capital Improvements Plan for the Replacement-Pointe-a-la-Hache Ferry Ramps Project; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
- 6g, A Resolution to amend and as amended readopt Resolution No. 16-148, Section No. 4; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
- 6n, An Ordinance to amend the 2019 Boat Harbors & Shipyards Fund, Operating Expenditure Budget, Boat Harbors Department, Port Eads Division; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
- 6p, An Ordinance to rescind, annul and set aside Ordinance No. 19-35 which appropriated \$53,400 from the Fund Balance Designated for Emergencies; to appropriate funding to fund eight part-time lifeguard positions; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
- 6q, An Ordinance to amend the 2019 Operating Expenditure Budget, Public Health Fund, Health-General Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
- 7b, District 1 update.

Item 6b, “An Ordinance to amend the 2019 General Fund, Manpower Structure and Operating Expenditure Budget, Flood Control Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto” was deferred for the fourth time and dropped off the agenda.

There being no Executive Session or Proclamations, Council Member LaFrance moved to Agenda Item 1c, “Status Report by the Parish President”. Without objection, so ordered. The following was reported by President Lepine:

- The Port Sulphur YMCA breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on Saturday, April 13th from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.;
- Plaquemines Clean Up Day is set for Saturday, April 20th from 8 a.m. to noon parish wide;
- South Plaquemines High School’s Truce Williams will sign a letter of intent on April 23rd. He was also invited to play in the McDonald’s All-American game;

- Justice of the Peace Herbert “Mr. Marvelous” Williams passed away this week. Condolences are sent to his family; and
- Keith Espadron was introduced as the new Economic Development and Tourism Director.

Council Member LaFrance moved to Agenda Item 2, “Bids and Advertisements”. Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-111

On motion of Council Member Guey, seconded by Council Member Arbourgh, and on roll call all members present and voting “YES”, except Council Member Black who was “ABSENT”, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution authorizing the disposal of an office trailer, SN# BG06NC143145 located at 114 Gillie Lane in Boothville.

WHEREAS, the cost of sending to auction would be more than the cost of disposal; and the Council concurred in said recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT it hereby authorizes its parish purchasing agent to dispose of an office trailer SN# BG06NC143145 located at 114 Gillie Lane in Boothville.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish officials and employees are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-112

On motion of Council Member Arbourgh, seconded by Council Member Newberry, and on roll call all members present and voting “YES”, except Council Member Black who was “ABSENT”, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution authorizing the Purchasing Agent to advertise for and dispose of surplus vehicles and equipment on an as is basis through public auction conducted by Henderson Auctions.

WHEREAS, Periodically the Plaquemines Parish Government has numerous pieces and types of equipment and vehicles which are surplus or are no longer in working condition and need to be disposed of; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent that the Parish Government dispose of the surplus equipment and vehicles through public auction, and WHEREAS, Henderson Auctions will pick up and dispose of surplus and junked equipment, as directed by the Purchasing Department; and

WHEREAS, Auction will be advertised in the Plaquemines Parish Gazette as per Louisiana state law requirements and the list of equipment will be on file in the Council Secretary’s office;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT it hereby authorizes its Purchasing Agent to dispose of surplus equipment and vehicles, through public auction, on an as is basis and further authorizes Henderson Auctions, to pick up and sell this equipment at public auction for a period beginning with the adoption of this resolution and ending June 30, 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and

that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

Council Member LaFrance moved to Agenda Item 3, "Beer and Liquor Licenses". Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-113

On motion of Council Member LaFrance, seconded by Council Member Rousselle, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", except Council Member Black who was "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the following special event permit and temporary beer/liquor license is issued to Aldona Manuel for the One 4 Love Fitness & Mentoring Turkey Shoot fundraiser to be held on April 21, 2019, from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Diamond Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish officials and employees are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

Council Member LaFrance moved to Agenda Item 4, "Building Permits". Without objection, so ordered. Items 4a(1) and 4a(2) were taken *en globo*:

RESOLUTION NO. 19-114

On motion of Council Member Barthelemy, seconded by Council Member Guey, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", except Council Member Cognevich who "ABSTAINED" and Council Member Black who was "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the following applications for construction permits in the Parish of Plaquemines are hereby approved: LLOX, LLC, Application No. 2018-743, dated October 31, 2018, install two 4-inch and two 2-inch pipelines for the East Black Bay 6 Prospect, Main Pass Area, Revised, Block 23; FUGRO USA Land, Inc., Application No. 2018-326 dated May 4, 2018, drill three to five soil borings for Entergy horizontal directional drill project crossing under the Mississippi River, Belle Chasse (Westbank) to Braithwaite (Eastbank).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish officials and employees are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

Council Member LaFrance moved to Agenda Item 5, "Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions". Without objection, so ordered.

1. An Ordinance to amend the Five Year Capital Improvements Plan, Repairs-Davant Pool Project and the Port Sulphur YMCA Pool Project; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COUNCIL MEMBER BARTHELEMY
2. An Ordinance to amend the 2019 General Fund, Manpower Structure and Operating Expenditure Budget, Flood Control Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COUNCIL MEMBER ARBOURGH
3. An Ordinance to amend the 2019 Manpower Structure, Firefighting Fund, Ambulances Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COUNCIL MEMBER ARBOURGH

4. An Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of donations for the Homeland Security/ Emergency Preparedness Department and to amend the General Fund, 2019 Operating Revenue and Expenditure Budgets, Homeland Security/Emergency Preparedness Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COUNCIL MEMBER ARBOURGH
5. An Ordinance to amend 2019 Road Maintenance Fund, Revenue and Operating Expenditure Budgets, Road Maintenance Public Right of Way Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COUNCIL MEMBER GUEY
6. An Ordinance by the Plaquemines Parish Council, as and on behalf of the West Bank Levee District, to acquire new Perpetual Flood Protection Levee / Floodwall Easements, new Perpetual Flood Protection Levee / Floodwall and Drainage Ditch Easements, new Perpetual Drainage Ditch Easements and new Temporary Work Area Easements in certain portions of lands in Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana by donation, purchase, appropriation and/or expropriation to construct the New Orleans to Venice NOV-NF-W-05a.1, LaReusitte to Myrtle Grove, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana for levee, floodwall, drainage, flood, access and hurricane protection purposes; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COUNCIL MEMBER LAFRANCE
7. An Ordinance to amend the Five Year Capital Improvements Plan, Repairs-Buras YMCA Pool Project; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COUNCIL MEMBER COGNEVICH
8. An Ordinance to amend and amended to readopt Section IV of Ordinance No. 142, the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, as amended, and the "Comprehensive Zoning District Map" therein adopted by reference and which is paraphed thereto, with reference to Application No. 2018311, dated June 5, 2018. COUNCIL MEMBER COGNEVICH

Council Member LaFrance advanced to Agenda Item 7f, "Port Eads update and presentation". Without objection, so ordered. A power point presentation was made by members of the Port Eads Facility Management, LLC. Their objectives are to reopen Port Eads to the public and restore the image of Port Eads as a world class destination while relieving Plaquemines Parish of any cost or liability burden. This organization also wants to establish Port Eads as the first Veterans Retreat in the State of Louisiana. There was a lengthy discussion held with the Administration, Council and the members of Port Eads Facility Management, LLC, regarding their backgrounds, hopes for the facility such as providing camp/boat slip rentals, hosting year-round fishing lottery rodeos, providing the facilities for group retreats, holding a yearly fishing festival, as well as providing lodging, ice, food services, etc.

President Lepine informed the Council that he has met with another group who is interested in Port Eads. He would like the Council to meet with this group and then have the group make a presentation at the April 28, 2019, council meeting. A discussion was held regarding the fact that if the resolution for suspension at today's meeting was adopted, Port Eads Facility Management, LLC, would have only an interim agreement and after the expiration of said agreement, anyone would be able to make their pitch for long term options.

Council Member LaFrance moved to Agenda Item 7a, "Resolutions wherein suspension is being sought". Without objection, so ordered.

Council Member Barthelemy offered a Motion to Suspend the Rules to add an item for consideration at today's meeting entitled, "A Resolution authorizing and directing Port Eads Fishing Refuge to negotiate an Interim Operating Agreement with Port Eads Facility Management, LLC for the operation of Port Eads; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto" which was seconded by Council Member Rousselle. Upon roll call and all members present voting "YES", except Council Member Black who was "ABSENT", the motion was adopted by a vote of 8-0.

A recess was taken from 2:52 to 2:58 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-115

On motion of Council Member Barthelemy, seconded by Commissioner Arbourgh, and on roll call all members present and voting “YES”, Commissioner Blink who “ABSTAINED” and Commissioner Black who was “ABSENT”, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution authorizing and directing Port Eads Fishing Refuge to negotiate an Interim Operating Agreement with Port Eads Facility Management, LLC for the operation of Port Eads; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, as of December 31, 2018, the Management Agreement between Port Eads Fishing Refuge and High Adventure at Port Eads, LLC, was terminated; and

WHEREAS, Port Eads Facility Management, LLC, has expressed its interest operating Port Eads and has agreed to enter into an interim agreement with Plaquemines Parish Government and Port Eads Fishing Refuge with the possibility of pursuing a long-term agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT it authorizes and directs Port Eads Fishing Refuge to do all things necessary and proper to negotiate an Interim Operating Agreement with Port Eads Facility Management, LLC for the temporary operation of Port Eads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT once an Interim Management Agreement has been agreed upon, said Agreement shall become effective upon approval of the Plaquemines Parish Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT once the Interim Management Agreement expires and Port Eads Facility Management, LLC, is interested in entering into a long-term management agreement, said agreement would come before the Plaquemines Parish Council for review and approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

Council Member LaFrance reverted back to Agenda Item 6a(1) and Council Member Guey offered a substitute.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-47

The following Ordinance was offered by Council Member Guey who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 15 of the parish Code of ordinances to establish Residential Parking Zone “A” on both sides of Upsilon Street, Iota Street, Lambda Street, and on Omega Street commencing at its intersection with Iota Street running in a southerly direction to its dead end; to establish a penalty for the violation thereof; to authorize the Parish President to have the appropriate signs installed and issue residential parking permits; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Plaquemines Parish Council that there are numerous vehicles parking on Upsilon, Iota, Lambda, and Omega Streets creating difficulty for traffic entering and exiting said streets and causing hazards and risks to children and residents; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to avoid any traffic problems in the future, this Council desires to create a residential parking zone on both sides of said streets;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1

Chapter 15 of the parish code of ordinances is hereby amended by enacting Section 15-17 which shall read as follows:

“Section 15-17 Residential Parking Zones.

- (a) There is hereby established a Residential Parking Zone A, which shall include both sides of Upsilon Street, Iota Street, Lambda Street, and Omega Street commencing at its intersection with Iota Street running in a southerly direction to its dead end.
- (b) It shall be a violation of this Section for any vehicle or person to park for more than two (2) hours in a twenty-four (24) period anywhere within the boundaries of Residential Parking Zone A without displaying a Plaquemines Parish Government issued Residential Parking Zone A permit.
- (c) Any vehicle in violation of this Section shall be towed and the vehicle’s owner shall be responsible for any tow expenses related thereto.
- (d) Any person found in violation of this Section by a court of competent jurisdiction shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days in the parish jail, or both fined and imprisoned at the discretion of the court.
- (e) The Parish President is hereby authorized to install the appropriate residential parking signs and issue 5-year annual residential parking permits to persons who either own property or can prove residency in any dwelling on property fronting Residential Parking Zone A. Temporary residential parking permits, not to exceed 6 months, may be issued, if sponsored by a 5-year annual residential parking permittee.”

SECTION 2

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Barthelemy seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members John L. Barthelemy, Jr., Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Member W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-48

The following Ordinance was offered by Council Member LaFrance who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance approving a plan of re-subdivision of Lot A-2, Woodland Commons, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, into Lots 8, 9, and A-3, Woodland Commons, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the plans and plat of survey by Dufrene Surveying & Engineering, Inc., dated January 16, 2019, the owner having fulfilled all the requirements of the Subdivision and Re-subdivision Ordinance of the Parish of Plaquemines without cost to the Plaquemines Parish Government or the Parish of Plaquemines; and otherwise with respect there to.

WHEREAS, Woodland Commons (Foster Creppel), is the owner of property situated in Lots 8, 9, and A-3, Parish of Plaquemines, State of Louisiana, as more fully shown on the plan and plat of re-subdivision by Dufrene Surveying & Engineering, Inc., dated January 16, 2019, a print whereof is annexed and hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, Woodland Commons (Foster Creppel), as the owner of said property, has proposed the re-subdivision of property of Woodland Commons, Lot A-2, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, into Lots 8, 9, and A-3, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, as more fully shown on said plan; and

WHEREAS, all streets, utilities, drainage structures and other improvements shown on the aforementioned plan and plat of survey are in place; and

WHEREAS, the owner/developer understands that he and subsequent owners of the property will be responsible for the maintenance of future and all existing non-dedicated streets, roads, right of ways, utilities, drainage structures and other improvements shown on the aforementioned plan and plat of survey are in place; and

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Parish Government accepts no responsibility or liability for the construction, maintenance or improvements of any future or now existing non-dedicated streets, roads, right of ways, utilities, drainage structures and other improvements that may be shown on the aforementioned plan and plat of survey; and

WHEREAS, the owner/developer and subsequent owners of the property shall be responsible for the construction and maintenance of future and all existing non-dedicated streets, roads, right of ways, utilities, drainage structures and other improvements that may be shown on the aforementioned plan and plat of survey;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1

The aforesaid plan of re-subdivision of property of Woodland Commons Lot A-2 into Lots 8, 9, and A-3, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, as shown on a plan and plat of survey by Dufrene Surveying & Engineering, Inc., dated January 16, 2019, a print whereof is annexed hereto and made a part hereof, is approved, and that the approval of the Parish President and Directors and all appropriate Parish department heads of the aforesaid plan and plat of survey be ratified.

SECTION 2

The Parish President be and is hereby authorized to appear before a Notary Public, and execute the approved aforesaid plan or re-subdivision of owner as depicted on plan and plat of survey by Dufrene Surveying & Engineering, Inc., dated January 16, 2019, for the Parish of Plaquemines and the Plaquemines Parish Government, and to execute any and all acts and documents necessary and proper in the premises to give full force and effect to the aforesaid Ordinance.

SECTION 3

The Plaquemines Parish Government accepts no responsibility or liability for the construction maintenance or improvements of any future or now existing non-dedicated streets, roads, right of ways, utilities, drainage structures and other improvements that may be shown on the aforementioned plan and plat of survey.

SECTION 4

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Newberry seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members John L. Barthelemy, Jr., Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Member W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

Council Member Arbourgh offered a substitute to Item 6h.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-49

The following Ordinance was offered by Council Member Arbourgh who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend the 2019 911 Services Fund, Operating Expenditure Budget, 911 Services Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, after a review of the 2019 Operating Expenditure Budget, an amendment is necessary for the 911 Services Department;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1

The 2019 911 Services Fund, Operating Expenditure Budget, 911 Services Department, is amended by appropriating \$42,500 as follows:

| Fund: 117 911 Services Fund | | | |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Dept/Div: 467-2220 911 Services Department | | | |
| Object | Description | Inc/ Dec | Amendment |
| 565.110 | Equipment-Communication | Inc | 42,500 |

SECTION 2

The 2019 General Fund, Operating Expenditure Budget, Parish Council District 4 Department, is amended as follows:

| Fund: 001 General Fund | | | |
|--|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Dept/Div: 210-2004 Parish Council District 4 Department | | | |
| Object | Description | Inc/Dec | Amendment |
| 510.005 | Salaries & Wages-Regular | Dec | (22,570) |
| 515.005 | FICA Taxes | Dec | (330) |
| 516.105 | Retirement | Dec | (2,600) |
| 517.005 | Group Insurance Health | Dec | (7,200) |

SECTION 3

The 2019 911 Services Fund, Operating Expenditure Budget, 911 Services Department, is amended as follows:

| Fund: 117 911 Services Fund | | | |
|---|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Dept/Div: 467-2220 911 Services-General Department | | | |
| Object | Description | Inc/Dec | Amendment |
| 510.005 | Salaries & Wages-Regular | Dec | (9,100) |
| 515.005 | FICA Taxes | Dec | (700) |

SECTION 4

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council. WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Guey seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members John L. Barthelemy, Jr. and W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-50

The following Ordinance was offered by Council Member Arbourgh who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend the 2019 Manpower Structure, Public Health Fund, Animal Control Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, after a review of the manpower needs of the Animal Control Department, it has been recommended to unfund one full-time Animal Control Officer position, position number 548-2741-02;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1

The Manpower Structure is amended by unfunding one full-time Animal Control Officer position, position number 548-2741-02, in the Animal Control Department.

SECTION 2

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Cognevich seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members John L. Barthelemy, Jr. and W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-51

The following Ordinance was offered by Council Member Arbourgh who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend the 2019 Manpower Structure, Public Health Fund, Animal Control Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, after a review of the manpower needs of the Animal Control Department, it has been recommended to create and fund one full-time Humane Officer position, position number 548-2742-01, at an annual salary of \$24,307, plus benefits;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1

The Manpower Structure is amended by creating and funding one full-time Humane Officer position, position number 548-2742-01, in the Animal Control Department, at an annual salary of \$24,307, plus benefits.

SECTION 2

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Cognevich seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members John L. Barthelemy, Jr. and W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-52

The following Ordinance was offered by Council Member Arbourgh who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend the 2019 Manpower Structure, Public Health Fund, Animal Control Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, after a review of the manpower needs of the Animal Control Department, it has been recommended to fund one full-time Small Animal Warden position, position number 548-2551-01, at an annual salary of \$20,031, plus benefits; and

WHEREAS, after a review of the manpower needs of the Animal Control Department, it has been recommended to unfund one full-time Animal Control Officer position, position number 548-2741-01;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1

The Manpower Structure is amended by funding one full-time Small Animal Warden position, position number 548-2551-01, in the Animal Control Department, at an annual salary of \$20,031, plus benefits.

SECTION 2

The Manpower Structure is amended by unfunding one full-time Animal Control Officer position, position number 548-2741-01, in the Animal Control Department.

SECTION 3

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Guey seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members John L. Barthelemy, Jr. and W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-53

The following Ordinance was offered by Council Member Arbourgh who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend the 2019 Manpower Structure and Operating Expenditure Budget, General Fund, Ferries-General Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, after a review of the manpower needs of the Ferry Department, it has been recommended to fund two full-time Deckhand positions, position numbers 735-2141-09 and 735-2141-11, each at an annual salary of \$22,882, plus benefits;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1

The 2019 Manpower Structure, is amended by funding two full-time Deckhand positions in the Ferries-General Department, position numbers 735-2141-09 and 735-2141-11, each at an annual salary of \$22,882, plus benefits.

SECTION 2

The 2019 General Fund, Operating Expenditure Budget, Ferries-General Department, is amended by transferring \$54,740 as follows:

| Fund: 001 General Fund | | | |
|--|---------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Dept/Div: 735-4370 Ferries-General Department | | | |
| Object | Description | Inc/Dec | Amendment |
| 510.010 | Salaries & Wages Overtime | Dec | (54,740) |
| 510.005 | Salaries & Wages-Regular | Inc | 29,920 |
| 515.005 | FICA Taxes | Inc | 440 |
| 516.105 | Retirement | Inc | 3,440 |
| 517.005 | Group Insurance Health | Inc | 20,940 |

SECTION 3

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Cognevich seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members John L. Barthelemy, Jr. and W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-54

The following Ordinance was offered by Council Member Arbourgh who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend the 2019 General Fund, Manpower Structure and Operating Expenditure Budget, Interim Employee Training Department and the Drainage-Stock/Shop Department; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, after a review of the Drainage Department, it has been recommended to hire and train an interim Superintendent that will fill the position of the current Superintendent scheduled to retire in 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1

The 2019 Manpower Structure, Interim Employee Training Department is amended by creating and funding a Superintendent position.

SECTION 2

The 2019 General Fund, Operating Expenditure Budget, Interim Employee Training Department, is amended by appropriating \$10,070 as follows:

| Fund: 001 General Fund | | | |
|--|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Dept/Div: 533-2590 Interim Employee Training Department | | | |
| Object | Description | Inc/Dec | Amendment |
| 510.005 | Salaries & Wages-Regular | Inc | 6,590 |
| 515.005 | FICA Taxes | Inc | 100 |
| 516.105 | Retirement | Inc | 760 |
| 517.005 | Group Insurance Health | Inc | 2,620 |

SECTION 3

The 2019 General Fund, Operating Expenditure Budget, Drainage-Stock Shop Department, is amended as follows:

| Fund: 001 General Fund | | | |
|--|----------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Dept/Div: 760-4410 Drainage-Stock/Shop Department | | | |
| Object | Description | Inc/Dec | Amendment |
| 548.210 | Fuel Diesel-Off Road | Dec | (10,070) |

SECTION 4

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Cognevich seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance. Sr., Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members John L. Barthelemy, Jr. and W. Beau Black

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 11th day of April, 2019.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-116

On motion of Council Member Arbourgh, seconded by Council Member Guey, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", Council Members Barthelemy and Black who were "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Parish President, or his designee, to do all things necessary and proper to provide assistance to the Plaquemines Parish Heritage and Seafood Festival; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Parish Code of Ordinances Section 17.5-51 allows for the Parish Council pursuant to LA Revised Statute 33:3001 to appropriate funds at the sole discretion of the Parish Council when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council has a valid Cooperative Endeavor Agreements between Plaquemines Parish Government and this non-profit organization; and

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Parish Heritage and Seafood Festival is a registered 501 (c), non-profit organization, in the state of Louisiana;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT it hereby authorizes and directs the Parish President, or his designee, to provide assistance from the Plaquemines

Parish Government to the Plaquemines Parish Heritage and Seafood Festival as they meet the eligibility requirements listed in the Plaquemines Parish Code of Ordinances Section 17.5-51.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT it hereby authorizes the support of and participation in appropriation of the following from the Plaquemines Parish Government to the Plaquemines Parish Heritage and Seafood Festival:

1. Use of the festival grounds at 333 F. Edward Hebert from May 17-19th, 2019, including setup and breakdown;
2. Use of electrical, water and sewerage and trash collection for the grounds and the facility;
3. Access to parish assets to promote the festival (highway notification signs); and
4. Use of parish maritime assets to be used as static displays along the route of the festival.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

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On motion of Council Member Guey, seconded by Council Member Rousselle, and on roll call all members present and voting “YES”, Council Members Barthelemy and Black who were “ABSENT”, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution opposing all proposed legislation, including but not limited to House Bill 57 of the 2019 Louisiana Legislative Session that transfers the administration and collection of Local Sales & Use taxes to the Louisiana Department of Revenue; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

\WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Louisiana grants local governments the right to levy and collect local sales and use taxes; and

WHEREAS, there are several constitutional amendments and bills introduced in the 2019 Regular Legislative Session that would transfer collection responsibility of local sales and use tax levies to the state Department of Revenue; and

WHEREAS, local taxing authorities possess the best knowledge and experience to properly collect its own taxes and have a proven record of proactive advancements in the areas of enforcement, audit coverage, dispute resolution, reporting technology and successful litigation; and

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana's budget issues do not offer prospects for the Department of Revenue to have sufficient resources to provide the necessary taxpayer assistance, enforcement programs and training of its employees on the specific application or local sales and use tax ordinances without significant cost contributions from local governments, thereby resulting in the direct and indirect loss of local tax receipts; and

WHEREAS, many local taxing authorities have issued bonded indebtedness guaranteed by the passage locally adopted sales and use tax levies, collection of said levies the direct responsibility of local governments, and which transfer of that responsibility to a state agency may generate legal challenges and jeopardize future bond issues; and

WHEREAS, the central local collector in each parish is directly responsible to the local taxing authorities and their elected officials for the performance of local tax administration, and the Secretary Revenue being an appointee of the Governor of the state, uncertainty exist as to who in

the Department of Revenue will be accountable to local taxing authorities for the performance of such critical local tax administration;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT Plaquemines Parish Government as a local taxing authority urges each member of the state legislative delegation for the Parish of Plaquemines to vigorously oppose any and all proposed legislation that transfers the administration and collection of local sales and use taxes to the Louisiana Department of Revenue, including but not limited to House Bill 57 of the 2019 Louisiana Legislative Session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT a copy of this resolution be sent forthwith to said legislators so that they will be made aware of our position on this matter,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the Secretary of this Council hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purpose of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

Council Member LaFrance moved to Agenda Item 7, “New Business”. Without objection, so ordered.

Under Item 7c, “District 9 update”, Council Member Cognevich reported:

- He received information about a property owner who would like to donate the Buras Post Office property to the Parish. Attorney Rennie Buras said that they can look into it;
- There is a gentleman in Venice who wants to donate 300 palm trees to the Parish; however, the Parish needs to dig up the trees if it wants them;
- He spoke about his vote on Council Member Black’s subdivision Ordinance at the last meeting stating that his problem was not with the subdivision or the roundabout but, with where the money was going. He further stated that we all need to work together.

Under Item 7d, “District 7 update”, Council Member LaFrance thanked the administration for cutting the grass behind South Plaquemines High School and for finding the money to fix the A/C. He also thanked Todd Eppley for the work he has done.

Council Member Rousselle asked Ken Dugas for an update on drainage projects in District 5 under Item 7e. The following projects were discussed:

- Engineers Road-DOTD suggested a design change and Mr. Dugas last heard that the permit was issued for parallel crossing but he will check on this. Also, the engineering phase is 95% complete but there will be added costs to be paid. Council Member Rousselle asked for the point of contact for the project.
- Ft. St. Leon-Mr. Dugas stated there are 3 locations to begin with and the Parish needs to purchase plastic culverts for those areas; however, the Parish has metal culverts which can be used for the extension by the lagoon.

Council Member LaFrance asked for a date and time that he and Mr. Dugas could meet in Myrtle Grove to see what can be done about the flooding. Mr. Dugas said he would check his calendar and get with back to him.

Council Member Newberry reported the following under Item 7g, “District 6 update”:

- There has been a halt to the work on Wilson Lane due to the high river levels and work may not resume until August;
- The Jesuit Bend drainage project is also on hold due to the high river level;
- She then asked Mr. Dugas what could be done about the sand that is filling the drains in the area and he said we could request that DOTD use their vacuum trucks because ours are out.

Council Member LaFrance moved to Agenda Item 8, “Approval of the Minutes”. Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-118

On motion of Council Member Arbourgh, seconded by Council Member Newberry, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", except Council Members Barthelemy and Black who were "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT it hereby approves the minutes of the March 28, 2019, Council Meeting, as recorded by the Secretary of this Council.

There being no further business to come before this Council, on motion of Council Member Cognevich, seconded by Council Member Blink, and on roll call all members present and voting "Yes", except Council Members Barthelemy and Black who were "ABSENT", the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Vice-Chairman

Secretary