

MINUTES
POINTE COUPEE PARISH COUNCIL
January 15, 2019

The Pointe Coupee Parish Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at the Courthouse Annex in the Parish Council Meeting Room, New Roads, Louisiana.

Councilman Jarreau called the meeting to order and directed Secretary Gerrie Martin to call the roll:

PRESENT: Messrs. Edward Bazile, Paul Bergeron, Dustin Boudreaux, Jimmie Gaspard, Kurt Jarreau, Sidney LaCoste, Edwin Soulier and Charles Watkins.

ABSENT: None.

REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

A. ELECTIONS OF A CHAIRMAN & VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Councilman Jarreau announced that nominations were in order for the election of a Chairman.

Mr. Bergeron nominated Mr. Boudreaux for Chairman and seconded by Mr. Watkins.

Motion by Mr. Bazile and seconded by Mr. LaCoste:

RESOLVED, That nominations for Chairman be closed.

Unanimously carried.

Mr. Boudreaux was declared nominated Chairman.

Chairman Boudreaux thanked his fellow councilmen for electing him Chairman of the Council.

Chairman Boudreaux announced that nominations were in order for the election of a Vice Chairman.

Mr. Soulier nominated Mr. LaCoste for Vice Chairman and seconded by Mr. Bazile.

Motion by Mr. Bergeron and seconded by Mr. LaCoste:

RESOLVED, That nominations for Vice Chairman be closed.

Unanimously carried.

Mr. LaCoste was declared nominated Vice Chairman.

B. APPOINTMENT OF A COUNCIL CLERK

Chairman Boudreaux announced that nominations were in order for the appointment of a Council Clerk.

Motion by Mr. Jarreau and seconded by Mr. Bazile:

RESOLVED, That nominations for the appointment of a Council Clerk be opened.

Unanimously carried.

Mr. Bergeron nominated Mrs. Gerrie Martin for appointment as Council Clerk and seconded by Mr. Jarreau.

Motion by Mr. Bergeron and seconded by Mr. Watkins:

RESOLVED, That nominations for Council Clerk be closed.

Unanimously carried.

Mrs. Martin was declared appointed Council Clerk.

Mrs. Martin thanked the Council for her appointment as Council Clerk.

Chairman Boudreaux expressed thanks and appreciation to everyone in the audience for attending their meeting. On behalf of the Council and Parish President, he asked for the public's patience and respect as they transition into the new parish form of government.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 8, 2019 MINUTES

Motion by Mr. LaCoste and seconded by Mr. Soulier:

RESOLVED, That the minutes of January 8, 2019 meeting of the Police Jury be adopted as presented and published in the official journal.

Unanimously carried.

CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

There were no amendments to the agenda.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Major Thibaut congratulated Chairman Boudreaux, Vice Chairman LaCoste and Clerk Martin on their appointments.

President Thibaut reported on the following:

- Updates on the remaining appointments of the Directors of Public Works, Public Utilities and Recreation; and upcoming meetings and review of the proposals for the collection and disposal of solid waste in the parish.
- Reviews of consolidations of certain services with the municipalities in the parish; evaluation of current procedures for possible amendments by the Council; personnel; inventory of all assets; boards, commissions and committees; and ordinances for possible amendments.

On behalf of the Council, Councilman Jarreau thanked President Thibaut for assisting them during their transition as new members of the Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR PUBLICATION & PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II OF SECTION 2-21 OF THE PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING MEETING DATES AND TIMES FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL (PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 12, 2019)

Motion by Mr. Bazile and seconded by Mr. Soulier:

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE
AND OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article II of Section 2-21 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana, relative to establishing meeting dates and times for the Pointe Coupee Parish Council, and further providing with respect thereto has been introduced before the Pointe Coupee Parish Council, and that a public hearing will be held relative thereto at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at the Parish Council Meeting Room, Courthouse Annex, 160

East Main Street, New Roads, Louisiana, after which said ordinance may be considered for adoption. All interested persons are urged to attend.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Gaspard, LaCoste, Soulier, Watkins, Jarreau, Bazile, Bergeron and Boudreaux.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a vote of 8-0-0, the motion carried.

B. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE VI, SECTION 5 OF THE PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO ADOPTING THE CODE OF RULES & REGULATIONS FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL (PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 12, 2019)

Motion by Mr. LaCoste and seconded by Mr. Watkins:

NOTICE OF INTEODUCTION OF ORDINANCE
AND OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a proposed ordinance amending Article VI, Section 5 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana, relative to adopting the Code of Rules & Regulations for the Pointe Coupee Parish Council, and further providing with respect thereto has been introduced before the Pointe Coupee Parish Council, and that a public hearing will be held relative thereto at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at the Parish Council Meeting Room, Courthouse Annex, 160 East Main Street, New Roads, Louisiana, after which said ordinance may be considered for adoption. All interested persons are urged to attend.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Bergeron, Bazile, Jarreau, Watkins, Soulier, LaCoste, Gaspard and Boudreaux.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a vote of 8-0-0, the motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

APPROVAL TO ADD JOSEPH H. MAJOR THIBAUT, JR. TO ALL SIGNATURE CARDS AT REGIONS BANK & REMOVE KYLE OLINDE

Motion by Mr. Watkins and seconded by Mr. Bazile:

RESOLVED, That Mr. Joseph H. Major Thibaut, Jr. be added to all signature cards at Regions Bank, and Mr. Kyle Olinde be removed from all signature cards at Regions Bank for the Parish of Pointe Coupee.

Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL TO REJECT ALL BIDS FOR THE 2018 LCDBG WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Bazile and seconded by Mr. Soulier:

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation, that all bids received for the 2018 LCDBG Wastewater System Improvements Project be rejected, because all bids exceeded the project budget.

Unanimously carried.

APPOINTMENTS:

COUNCIL APPROVAL OF APPOINTED DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

Parish President Thibaut presented the following appointment of Department Directors for approval of the Council:

Motion by Mr. Jarreau and seconded by Mr. Soulier:

RESOLVED, That Mrs. Tonilyn Guidry be appointed Director of Finance for the Pointe Coupee Parish Government.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Gaspard, LaCoste, Soulier, Watkins, Jarreau, Bazile, Bergeron and Boudreaux.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a vote of 8-0-0, the motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Soulier and seconded by Mr. Bergeron:

RESOLVED, That Mr. Mark Ward be appointed Director of Administration for the Pointe Coupee Parish Government.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Bergeron, Bazile, Jarreau, Watkins, Soulier, LaCoste, Gaspard and Boudreaux.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a vote of 8-0-0, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENT, NOTICES, MEETINGS, ETC.

Chairman Boudreaux announced the Executive Committee will not have a meeting in January because the ordinance setting their meeting dates and times have not been adopted. The committee will meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Motion by Mr. Bergeron and seconded by Mr. Watkins, the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Gerrie P. Martin
Council Clerk

Dustin Boudreaux
Chairman