

**MINUTES**  
**POINTE COUPEE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**March 26, 2019**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Council Executive Committee met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, 2019, at the Courthouse Annex in the Parish Council Meeting Room, New Roads, Louisiana.

Chairman Boudreaux called the meeting to order and directed Council Clerk Gerrie Martin to call the roll:

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

**ABSENT:** Mr. Edward Bazile.

**CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no amendments to the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 26, 2019 MEETING**

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

**RESOLVED**, That the minutes of February 26, 2019 meeting of the Executive Committee be adopted as presented and published in the official journal.

Unanimously carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no public comments.

**DISCUSSION OF APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS**

Chairman Boudreaux gave a brief overview about why the chairmen and/or chairpersons of False River Air Park Commission, Library Board of Control, Museum Committee, Port Commission and Tourist Commission were invited to attend the meeting.

Chairman Kirk White of False River Air Park Commission, President Wylene Hurst of the Library Board of Control, President Yvonne Chenevert of the Museum Committee and President David Jarreau of the Tourist Commission presented and reviewed their responses to a questionnaire requested by Council Chairman Boudreaux and Parish President Major Thibaut regarding their perspective boards, committees and commissions. In closing, they responded to questions from members of the committee. In the absence of President Roger Richard of the Port Commission,

Chairman Boudreaux reviewed his responses to the questionnaire. The committee asked that Mr. Richard attend their next meeting to respond to questions regarding the port.

#### DISCUSSION OF EXPENSE AND VEHICLE POLICY FOR THE PARISH PRESIDENT

The committee discussed and reviewed a proposed expense and vehicle policy for Parish President Thibaut. Chairman Boudreaux gave a brief overview of the policy.

#### DISCUSSION OF SOFTWARE OPTIONS TO FACILITATE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Chairman Boudreaux presented proposed software options to facilitate parish council meetings by allowing the members access to documents for meetings on a tablet or laptop computer.

Parish President Thibaut commented on the new computer upgrades that may have software that could possibly meet the needs and incorporate the proposed software options. After discussion, staff will review this matter further.

#### UPDATE ON CULVERT INSTALLATION POLICY

Public Works & Utilities Director Nathan Cobb gave an update on the culvert installation policy. He reported in 2018 a total of 280 work orders were submitted of which 85 (30.36%) were culvert installations and/or replacements in the parish. He stated the parish spent approximately \$185,898.35 in 2018 for installing culverts. He reported it is costing the parish an average of \$2,188.11 per day to install culverts. He reported the parish has replaced 20 culverts in 2019. He is of the opinion that the parish is spending too many resources on installing culverts instead of managing the much needed drainage throughout the parish.

Chairman Boudreaux stated he was not in agreement with getting out of the culvert business and eliminating the installation of culverts in the parish.

After further discussion, the committee referred this matter back to the Oversight Committee and Attorney Dannie Garrett.

#### DISCUSSION & REVIEW OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO ABANDONED VEHICLES; GRASS, OBNOXIOUS WEEDS, DEBRIS & TRASH AND DANGEROUS STRUCTURES

Parish President Thibaut commented on reviewing the current ordinances regarding abandoned vehicles, grass, obnoxious weeds, debris & trash and dangerous structures in the parish for possible revisions. He asked the committee to refer this matter to the Oversight Committee for further review and assistance from Attorney Garrett.

#### UPDATE FROM DEPARTMENTS:

A. Administration:

1. Bids received for parish roadside grass maintenance resulted in an approximate savings of \$45,000 annually.
2. Proposals will be opened April 3, 2019 for grass cutting of parish owned properties.
3. Effective April 1, 2019, Pelican Waste will begin collecting solid waste in the parish.
4. Update on advertising RFP for the collection of white goods and bulky waste.

B. Finance:

1. Update on the beaver program, and payments to beaver trappers for bounty will be done every Thursday.
2. The Town of Livonia has agreed to join the parish Mosquito Abatement Program.

C. Public Works/Utilities:

1. Update on the work orders.
2. April 5, 2019 all GPS will be installed in the parish vehicles.
3. Mosquito spraying has begun and monthly updates will be given.
4. Update on the roads overlay program, and accepting list of roads from each councilman to be included for overlay.

D. Recreation:

1. Basketball Program has begun.
2. Meeting with coaches for the baseball program will be held March 27, 2019.
3. Update on the cleanup day scheduled for False River Park.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOTICES, MEETINGS, ETC.

There were no announcements, etc.

Motion by Mr. Jarreau and seconded by Mr. Watkins, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Gerrie P. Martin  
Council Clerk

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Dustin Boudreaux  
Chairman