

**MINUTES
POINTE COUPEE PARISH COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
September 24, 2019**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Council met in special session at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 24, 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, Edward Bazile, Paul Bergeron and Dustin Boudreaux.

ABSENT: None.

CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

RESOLVED, That the agenda be amended for inclusion of the following:

- Resolution--Approve Annual Certification of Compliance with Off-System Bridge Replacement Program.
- Resolution--Approve Liquor License for Shane D. Shows (The Cedar Saloon, LLC, 7171 LA Hwy. 1, Morganza).

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.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE TO REENACT CHAPTER 2 OF THE POINTE COUPEE PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE REVIEW OF VOTING PRECINCTS WITH LESS THAN 300 ACTIVE VOTERS (PUBLIC HEARING OCTOBER 8, 2019)

**NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE
AND OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a proposed ordinance to amend the Pointe Coupee Parish Code of Ordinances to reenact Chapter 2 of the Pointe Coupee Parish Code of Ordinances relative to the review of voting precincts with less than 300 active voters 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, October 8, 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.

RESOLUTION(S):

ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH CENTRAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR LA WATERSHED INITIATIVE REGION NO. 6

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

A resolution approving an agreement with **South Central Planning and Development Commission** for the purpose of applying for grant funding and acting in support of Watershed Region No. 6 management activities and in conjunction with the State of Louisiana Watershed Initiative.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Watershed Initiative was formed in order to coordinate statewide floorplan management efforts through a watershed management approach in response to the 2016 Great Floods and in preparation for future storm and flood events. This coordination includes outreach with local communities to build support for watershed region management approaches that can more effectively address mounting water risks statewide; and

WHEREAS, coordination among Pointe Coupee Parish and its regional partners within Watershed Region No. 6 is critical to reducing flood risk and preserving the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Pointe Coupee Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Watershed Initiative has requested applications for participation in a Regional Capacity Building Grant Program, which may enable the provision of technical assistance to Pointe Coupee Parish and its regional partners if awarded, thereby furthering immediate watershed management and flood risk reduction goals.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the agreement between Pointe Coupee Parish and **South Central Planning and Development Commission** for the purpose of applying for grant funding and acting in support of Watershed Region No. 6 management activities and in conjunction with the State of Louisiana Watershed Initiative is hereby approved.

Unanimously carried.

AWARD LOW BID FOR THE 2019 ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT

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

RESOLVED, That the low bid submitted by M-Trak, LLC in the amount of \$1,074,021.00 for the 2019 Road Resurfacing Project (Project No. 19-001) be accepted.

Unanimously carried.

AUTHORIZE TONILYN R. GUIDRY AND REBECCA L. MAYEUX AS CERTIFIED GRANTEE FOR THE REQUEST FOR DISBURSEMENT WITH LA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF FACILITY PLANNING & CONTROL FOR THE COURTHOUSE ANNEX RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION PROJECT (50-J39-19-01)

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

RESOLVED, That on behalf of Pointe Coupee Parish, Mmes Tonilyn R. Guidry and Rebecca L. Mayeux are hereby authorized as certified grantees for the request for disbursement with the LA Division of Administration, Office of Facility Planning & Control for the Courthouse Annex Renovations and Improvements Planning & Construction Project (50-J39-19-01).

Unanimously carried.

AUTHORIZE TONILYN R. GUIDRY AND REBECCA L. MAYEUX AS CERTIFIED GRANTEE FOR THE REQUEST FOR DISBURSEMENT WITH LA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF FACILITY PLANNING & CONTROL FOR THE COURTHOUSE RESTORATION PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION PROJECT (50-J39-19-02)

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

RESOLVED, That on behalf of Pointe Coupee Parish, Mmes Tonilyn R. Guidry and Rebecca L. Mayeux are hereby authorized as certified grantees for the request for disbursement with the LA Division of Administration, Office of Facility Planning & Control for the Courthouse Restoration Planning & Construction Project (50-J39-19-02).

Unanimously carried.

APPROVE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OFF-SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

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

ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH
STATE OF LOUISIANA OFF-SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Code of Federal Regulations as enacted by the United States Congress mandates that all structures defined as bridges located on all public roads shall be inspected, rated for safe load capacity and posted in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and that an inventory of these bridges be maintained by each State; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility to inspect, rate and load post those bridges under the authority of Pointe Coupee Parish in accordance with those Standards as delegated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to Pointe Coupee Parish: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the governing authority of Pointe Coupee Parish (herein referred to as the Parish) that the Parish in regular meeting assembled does hereby certify to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (herein referred to as the DOTD) that for the period 1 October 2019 through 30 September 2020:

1. The Parish has performed all interim inspections on all parish owned or maintained bridges in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards.
2. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish have been structurally analyzed and rated by the Parish as to the safe load capacity in accordance with AASHTO Manual for Maintenance Inspection of Bridges. The load posting information that has been determined by the LA DOTD for all bridges where the maximum legal load under the operating rating as determined above has been critically reviewed by the Parish. Load posting information has been updated by the Parish to reflect all structural ratings.
3. All Parish owned or maintained bridges which required load posting or closing are load posted or closed in accordance with the table in the DOTD Engineering Directives and Standards Manual Directive No. 1.1.1.8. All DOTD supplied load posting information concerning a bridge has been critically reviewed by the Parish Engineer prior to load posting.
4. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish are shown on the attached list in the format specified by the DOTD. Correction to data supplies to the Parish by the LA DOTD are noted.
5. These stipulations are prerequisites to participation by the Parish in the Off-System Bridge Replacement Program.

Unanimously carried.

APPROVE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR SHANE D. SHOWS (THE CEDAR SALOON, LLC, 7171 LA HWY. 1, MORGANZA)

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

RESOLVED, That a liquor license for Shane D. Shows (The Cedar Saloon, LLC, 7171 LA Hwy. 1, Morganza) be approved.

Unanimously carried.

Parish President Major Thibaut announced the following:

- Updates on the replacement of the Pecan Island Bridge Project will be obtained from LA DOTD at their meeting on October 7, 2019.
- Aerial mosquito spraying will begin Thursday night, September 26, 2019 in the New Roads, Morganza and Livonia areas, these areas were selected due to their population and upcoming events.
- Parish will have a booth and participate in the Relay for Life Event at New Roads, and invited councilmembers to attend on Friday, October 4, 2019.

Motion by Mr. Jarreau and seconded by Mr. Bazile, the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Gerrie P. Martin
Council Clerk

Dustin Boudreaux
Chairman