MINUTES POINTE COUPEE PARISH COUNCIL April 13, 2021

The Pointe Coupee Parish Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 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, Edwin Soulier, Sidney LaCoste, Kurt Jarreau, Edward Bazile, Paul Bergeron and Dustin Boudreaux.

ABSENT: Mr. Charles Watkins.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 9, 2021 MEETING

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes of March 9, 2021 regular meeting of the Parish Council be adopted as presented and published in the official journal.

Unanimously carried.

CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

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

• Discussion of drafting an ordinance relative to the Second Amendment and Right to Bear Fire Arms.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mr. Watkins.

On a vote of 7-0-1, the motion carried.

In response to Councilman Jarreau, Chairman Boudreaux explained the reason he removed the above item from the agenda. He stated that he was not against the request made by the group's position relative to the Second Amendment and the right to bear arms. As chairman of the council and responsible for approving all agendas, he encouraged councilmembers to communicate with him in the future regarding any items they desire to place on the agenda.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY TO FAMILY OF THE LATE DR. HARRY KELLERMAN, CORONER OF POINTE COUPEE PARISH

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

WHEREAS, God in His infinite wisdom has called to his eternal reward Dr. Harry John Kellerman; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Harry John Kellerman was a longtime practitioner of medicine in New Roads and Pointe Coupee Parish for 43 years; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement from family medicine in 2006 he became Coroner of Pointe Coupee Parish; and

WHEREAS, his presence will be sadly missed by his family and friends: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Pointe Coupee Parish Council does and hereby offer our deepest sympathy and condolences to the family of Dr. Harry John Kellerman and this resolution of sympathy in the loss of their loved one.

Unanimously carried.

PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

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

PROCLAMATION FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS, the 51st Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans - individually and collectively - to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists; and

WHEREAS, this law guarantees for each citizen the critical, personal element of freely choosing a home; and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the State of Louisiana, and implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement and support of each of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the department and agencies of the State of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen to freely choose a home will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DUSTIN BOUDREAUX, Chairman of the Pointe Coupee Parish Council do hereby proclaim the month of **April**, **2021** as **FAIR HOUSING MONTH** in Pointe Coupee Parish and encourage all citizens of this parish to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

Unanimously carried.

PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL AS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

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

PROCLAMATION AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, autism is a lifelong developmental difference, associated with significant alteration of an individual's ability to learn in the same way as others, which may include differences in social behaviors and communication; and

WHEREAS, autism, also known as autism spectrum disorders, affects people regardless of race, religion, socio-economic status or geography; and

WHEREAS, the incidence of autism in the United States is 1 in 59 according to the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention; and

WHEREAS, evidence suggests autism is the result of neurological anomalies affecting the functioning of the brain and few members of the general public understand this complex syndrome; and

WHEREAS, persons with autism can be helped to reach their greatest potential, and accurate, early diagnosis and the resulting appropriate education and interventions, as well as community acceptance and accommodations, are vital to the future growth and development of the individual; and

WHEREAS, autism is a complex set of differences that requires increased research to one day better understand it; and

WHEREAS, the greater recognition and understanding of autism can ensure that individuals with autism are accurately diagnosed and appropriately treated throughout their lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DUSTIN BOUDREAUX, Chairman of the Pointe Coupee Parish Council, do hereby proclaim the month of **April, 2021** as **AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH** in Pointe Coupee Parish, and encourage all citizens to reach out to the Families Helping Families of Greater Baton Rouge for support and to bring awareness of autism.

Unanimously carried.

PROCLAMATION ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE VACANCY FOR CORONER OF POINTE COUPEE PARISH

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

PROCLAMATION

Issuing a proclamation for the calling of a special election to fill the vacancy of Coroner of Pointe Coupee Parish

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Harry J. Kellerman, Coroner, Parish of Pointe Coupee, passed away on March 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to call a special election to fill the vacancy in said office created by his death.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pointe Coupee Parish Council does hereby issue this Proclamation pursuant to LA R.S. 18:602 ordering a special election to fill the said vacancy of Coroner in Pointe Coupee Parish until a special election can be held on the following dates:

- (1) The Special Primary Election shall be held on October 9, 2021; and
- (2) The Special General Election, if necessary, shall be held on November 13, 2021;
- (3) The dates for qualifying for the candidates in the Special Election shall be July 14, 15 & 16, 2021.

This Proclamation shall be published in the official journal of Pointe Coupee Parish and a copy thereof shall be sent by certified or registered mail to Pointe Coupee Parish Clerk of Court and to the Louisiana Secretary of State as required by Law.

Unanimously carried.

PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Thibaut gave updates on the finances including an increase in sales tax and gas collections; positions available for one full-time and two part-time employees; damages occurred at the parish maintenance facility from the recent storm; and meetings with the sheriff regarding the housing of inmates at the Detention Center. In closing, he responded to questions from council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING ON AN INTRODUCED PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE</u> <u>POINTE COUPEE PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO AMENDING &</u> <u>RE-ORDAIN THE POINTE COUPEE PARISH GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL MANUAL</u>

A hearing to obtain public input to a proposed ordinance to amend the Pointe Coupee Parish Code of Ordinances relative to amending & re-ordain the Pointe Coupee Parish Government Personnel Manual was conducted at 5:50 p.m., Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at the Parish Council Meeting Room, Courthouse Annex, 160 East Main Street, New Roads, Louisiana.

There were no objections received orally or written to the ordinance.

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

RESOLVED, That a proposed ordinance to amend the Pointe Coupee Parish Code of Ordinances relative to amending & re-ordain the Pointe Coupee Parish Government Personnel Manual, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto be adopted by the Pointe Coupee Parish Council.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mr. Watkins.

On a vote of 7-0-1, the motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE(S):

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 25, SECTION 25-3 OF THE POINTE COUPEE PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, PERTAINING TO MOBILE HOMES AND PERMIT FEES; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO (PUBLIC HEARING MAY 11, 2021)

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 25, Section 25-3 of the Pointe Coupee Parish Code of Ordinances, pertaining to mobile homes and permit fees; and to otherwise provide 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, May 11, 2021 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.

RESOLUTIONS:

ACCEPT THE COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GREATER BATON ROUGE PORT COMMISSION AND THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, PERTAINING TO MATTERS OF THE PORT OF POINTE COUPEE

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

WHEREAS, the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission ("GBRPC") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Pointe Coupee Parish ("PCP") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, heretofore as part of the functioning of the Port of Pointe Coupee, the Parish of Pointe Coupee has held funds for the account of the Port of Pointe Coupee and currently holds such funds in the amount of One Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand Three Hundred and Eleven and 95/100 Dollars (\$193,311.95); and

WHEREAS, as of January 1, 2020 the Port of Pointe Coupee was merged into the GBRPC and as a result, the funds on deposit with the PCP should be transferred to the GBRPC: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Pointe Coupee Parish Council hereby accepts the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission and the Parish of Pointe Coupee, pertaining to the transfer of funds on deposit with the Port of Pointe Coupee to the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission.

Unanimously carried.

<u>APPROVAL TO SEND LETTER TO LA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, PERTAINING TO</u> <u>ESTABLISHMENT OF A GROUP HOME IN DELTA PLACE SUBDIVISION</u>

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

RESOLVED, That the Parish Council send a letter to the LA Department of Health, pertaining to the establishment of a group home in Delta Place Subdivision.

Unanimously carried.

NAME A PRIVATE ROAD TONY LANE OFF OF FORDOCHE ROAD FOR E-911 PURPOSES

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

RESOLVED, That a private road be named Tony Lane off of Fordoche Road for E-911 purposes.

Unanimously carried.

GRANTING AUTHORITY TO TAKE PRELIMINARY APPROVAL RELATIVE TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF NOT EXCEEDING \$3,000,000 SALES TAX REFUNDING BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES & MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

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

A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO TAKE PRELIMINARY APPROVAL RELATIVE TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF NOT EXCEEDING \$3,000,000 SALES TAX REFUNDING BONDS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ALL IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR BY LAW; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer" or the "Parish") governed by the Pointe Coupee Parish Council (the "Governing Authority") has previously issued Sales Tax Bonds (Road Improvement), Series 2011 Bonds described herein (the "Prior Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the Parish desires to refund a portion or all of the Prior Bonds (the "**Refunding**") pursuant to the Louisiana Consolidated Local Government Indebtedness Act, Title 39, Subtitle II, Chapter 4, and particularly Section 523 of Title 39 regarding sales tax bonds and Section 531 of Title 39 regarding refunding bonds of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended,

and other applicable constitutional and statutory authority, (collectively, the "**Refunding Act**"), through the issuance of refunding bonds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Refunding Act and subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, the Issuer desires to accomplish the refunding through the issuance of not exceeding \$3,000,000 aggregate amount of Sales Tax Refunding Bonds, in one or more series (collectively, the "**Bonds**"), to be payable as provided herein and in accordance with the Refunding Act; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer adopts this Resolution to provide for the approval of the issuance of the Bonds for the purposes of funding (i) the prepayment and refunding of all or a portion of the Prior Bonds, (ii) a debt service reserve fund, if necessary and (iii) the cost of issuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority desires to make formal application to the State Bond Commission (the "**Commission**") for approval of the Bonds, employment of Bond Counsel and Municipal Advisor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Authority of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, that:

SECTION 1. <u>Application</u>. Application be and the same is hereby formally made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for consent and authority to issue not exceeding \$3,000,000 Sales Tax Refunding Bonds in one or more series, taxable or tax-exempt, at a rate not exceeding five percent (5.00%) per annum, to mature not later than September 1, 2026, all in the manner provided for by the Refunding Act.

SECTION 2. <u>**Prior Bonds.</u>** The Prior Bonds of the Issuer to be refunded (the "**Refunded Bonds**") shall include all or a portion of the following:</u>

NAME AND SERIES	OUTSTANDING BALANCE (as of March 1, 2021)	ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL	DATED
Sales Tax Bonds (Road Improvement), Series 2011	\$3,280,000	\$6,500,000	12/15/2011

SECTION 3. <u>Security for the Bonds</u>. The Bonds issued to refund the Prior Bonds shall be limited and special revenue bonds of the Issuer, secured by and payable in principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, solely from the revenue of Issuer's one-half of one percent (1/2%) sales tax authorized by the electorate on May 3, 1997, and renewed in an election held by the Issuer on November 2, 2010 (the "Tax") for an additional fifteen (15) years, subject only to the prior payment of the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administering the Tax (the "Revenues of the Tax"). The Bonds shall not be a charge on the other income and revenues of the Parish as prohibited under the provisions of Article VI, Section 37 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, nor shall they constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the Parish. The Bonds will be issued on parity with any Prior Bonds not refunded by the Bonds.

The Bonds shall be of such series, mature note later than September 1, 2026, bear interest at such rate or rates not five percent (5.00%) per annum, be sold at such price or prices, be in such denomination or denominations, , carry such registration privileges, be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption and be entitled to such priorities on the Revenues of the Tax described herein as the Commission may provide by ordinance(s) adopted at the time or times of issuance of the Bonds. Additional details of the Bonds will be set forth by subsequent ordinance adopted by this Governing Authority.

SECTION 4. <u>**Purpose.**</u> The Bonds are authorized to be issued for the purposes of funding (i) the prepayment and refunding of all or a portion of the Prior Bonds (ii) a debt service reserve fund, if necessary, and (iii) the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

SECTION 5. <u>Bond Counsel</u>. It is hereby recognized, found and determined that a real necessity exists for the employment of Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of Bonds, and MAHTOOK & LAFLEUR, New Orleans, Louisiana ("**Bond Counsel**"), is hereby employed as special

bond counsel of the Issuer to do and perform comprehensive legal analysis and coordinate professional work with respect to the issuance of the Bonds of the Issuer for the purpose stated herein. Bond Counsel shall advise the Issuer as to the issuance and sale of the Bonds, and furnish their opinion covering the legality of the issuance thereof and other documents pertaining to the sale, issuance and delivery of the Bonds. The fee to be paid to Bond Counsel in connection with this program of finance be and the same is hereby established and fixed at a sum not exceeding the maximum fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee schedule for comprehensive, legal and coordinate professional work in the issuance of revenue bonds, based on the amount of said Bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses, said fee to be contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of said Bonds. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his approval of the employment herein provided for.

SECTION 6. <u>Underwriter/Placement Agent</u>. The Issuer hereby appoints CREWS AND ASSOCIATES, INC., Little, Rock, Arkansas as Underwriter/Placement Agent in connection with the Bonds. Any compensation to the Underwriter/Placement Agent is to be approved by the Louisiana State Bond Commission and by the Governing Authority and to be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds and contingent upon the issuance of the Bonds; provided that no compensation shall be due to said Underwriter/Placement Agent unless the Bonds are sold and delivered and all costs must be reasonable and approved by the Louisiana State Bond Commission and the Governing Authority

SECTION 7. <u>Employment of Municipal Advisor</u>. The Parish hereby retains SISUNG SECURITIES CORPORATION, New Orleans, Louisiana to act as its Independent Registered Municipal Advisor ("IRMA") pursuant to the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the Final Rule adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commissioners on September 20, 2013 and the adopted final release for the purpose of providing advice on structure, timing, terms and other matters relating to the Bonds, upon which the Parish may rely. The fee for such services shall be payable solely from the proceeds of the Bonds and not exceed 0.40% of the amount Bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for.

SECTION 8. <u>SBC Swap Policy</u>. By virtue of Issuer's application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approvals) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approvals) are expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolved that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.", adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matters) subject to the approvals), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other produces) or enhancements) covered thereby.

SECTION 9. <u>Terminology</u>. For purposes of meeting the requirements of the May 11, 2009, memorandum of the Director of the State Bond Commission to all bond counsel, any proceedings of the Issuer relating to the Bonds that refers to a principal amount or interest rate of the Bond shall be deemed to include the words "not to exceed" or "not exceeding" whether so stated or not, and any reference to a final maturity date or term contained herein shall be deemed to include the words "to mature on or before" whether so stated or not.

SECTION 10. <u>Signatures Electronic Signatures</u>. The Issuer or the Governing Authority and Bond Counsel consent and agree herein to the execution of documents by electronic signature in accordance with the Louisiana Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (La. Rev. Statutes 9§2601, et seq.), and documents executed electronically as provided for herein by the representatives of the Issuer or the Governing Authority or Bond Counsel are deemed binding and legal on all parties to the extent allowed by the provisions of that Act.

SECTION 11. <u>State Bond Commission</u>. Application is hereby made to the Louisiana State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana for its consent and authority for the Issuer to incur debt and borrow funds.

SECTION 12. <u>Authorized Representatives</u>. The Parish President and Council Clerk of the Governing Authority are hereby authorized to do all things necessary, on the advice of

SECTION 13. <u>Bond Counsel</u>. Issuer's Counsel and the Municipal Advisor to the Issuer, to effectuate and implement this resolution, including the publication and recordation hereof as may be required the Act or the Refunding Act.

SECTION 14. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 15. <u>Conflicting Resolutions</u>. All other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mr. Watkins.

On a vote of 7-0-1, the motion carried.

CONCURRING WITH THAT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 OF WATER UTILITY REVENUE BONDS OF WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 1 OF POINTE COUPEE PARISH, PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF IN PRINCIPAL & INTEREST; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

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

A RESOLUTION CONCURRING WITH THAT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000) OF WATER UTILITY REVENUE BONDS OF WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 1 OF POINTE COUPEE PARISH, PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF IN PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissions of Pointe Coupee Parish Waterworks District No. 1, Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "**Board**") has adopted or will adopt a resolution relative to the issuance of not exceeding \$2,000,000 of Water Utility Revenue Bonds, Series 2021, a draft copy of which resolution is annexed hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Board has requested that this Pointe Coupee Parish Government concur in said resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Pointe Coupee Parish Council, the governing authority of Pointe Coupee Parish Government that:

Section 1. The Pointe Coupee Parish Council does hereby approve, ratify and concur in that certain resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Waterworks District No. 1 of Pointe Coupee Parish adopted on or about April 12, 2021 annexed hereto.

Section 2. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mr. Watkins.

On a vote of 7-0-1, the motion carried.

AUTHORIZE THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE TO ENTER INTO A COMMERCIAL CREDIT CARD PROGRAM WITH REGIONS BANK

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

RESOLVED, That the Pointe Coupee Parish Council does hereby authorizes the Parish President to execute and administer any and all necessary documents to enter into a Commercial Credit Card Program with Regions Bank and the Pointe Coupee Parish Government for a purchasing card limit of \$50,000.00.

Unanimously carried.

SPECIAL MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL:

CONCERNS ABOUT NO WAKE ZONES ON FALSE RIVER

Mr. Stephen Bordelon of 9591 False River Road, New Roads voiced concerns about the ordinance relative to the no wake zones on False River, violations of the zones, and the public safety and protection of False River. He reported on the need to amend the current ordinance, and the lack of enforcement of the zones on False River. He also voiced concerns about the noise ordinance being violated with extremely loud noise being broadcast on the river from music being played loudly, as well as, song lyrics including vulgarity and profanity that are not appropriate for the public decency.

After discussion, the council agreed to review this matter further.

DISCUSSION OF DRAFTING AN ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO THE SECOND AMENDMENT AND RIGHT TO BEAR FIRE ARMS

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

RESOLVED, That the Parish Council enter into a written contract agreement with Attorney James Beatty, Jr. at an hourly rate to research and study available options regarding drafting an ordinance relative to the Second Amendment and the rights to bear arms.

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

YEAS: Messrs. Gaspard, LaCoste, Soulier and Jarreau.

NAYS: Messrs. Bazile, Bergeron and Boudreaux.

ABSENT: Mr. Watkins.

On a vote of 4-3-1, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOTICES, MEETINGS, ETC.

There were no announcements, notices, meetings, etc.

Motion by Mr. Bazile and seconded by Mr. Gaspard, the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Gerrie P. Martin Council Clerk Dustin Boudreaux Chairman