

**MINUTES
POINTE COUPEE PARISH COUNCIL
March 11, 2025**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, 2025, 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.

APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11 & 25, 2025 MEETINGS

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes of February 11, 2025 regular meeting and February 25, 2025 special meeting of the Parish Council be adopted as presented and published in the official journal.

Unanimously carried.

CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

There were no amendments to the agenda.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY SERVICE AWARDS TO MCKINLEY JACK & JOHN LINDSLY

President Thibaut announced employee McKinley Jack is ill and want be attending the meeting to receive his service award, and asked everyone to pray for his recovery. He will present his award at the meeting in April.

President Thibaut presented employee John Lindsly with an anniversary service award for 30 years of dedicated service with the parish.

PROCLAMATION DECLARING MARCH AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

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

**PROCLAMATION
AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH**

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross has touched many lives in Pointe Coupee Parish, as well as across the country and around the world; and

WHEREAS, during American Red Cross Month, we thank those who contribute to the mission of the Red Cross, whether through time, money or blood, and we invite others to support the Red Cross in helping people in need down the street, across the country and around the world; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross is synonymous with helping people, and has been doing so for more than 130 years. Throughout the past year, the American Red Cross launched hundreds of disaster relief operations in the United States to help people affected by fires, floods, hurricanes and tornadoes. The American Red Cross also supported major international disasters, including the Japan earthquake and tsunami response, while continuing its work on the 2010 Haiti earthquake response and recovery; and

WHEREAS, in Pointe Coupee Parish, the Red Cross works tirelessly through its employees and volunteers to support us when disaster strikes, when someone needs life-saving blood, or the comfort of a helping hand. It provides 24-hour support to members of the military, veterans and their families, and provides training in CPR, aquatics safety and first aid; and

WHEREAS, for nearly 100 years, United States presidents have called on the American people to support the Red Cross and its humanitarian mission. Our community depends on the American Red Cross and because it is not a government agency, the Red Cross depends on support from the public to continue its humanitarian work. This is especially important in these challenging economic times - which impact the Red Cross and many people in our community and across the nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DUSTIN BOUDREAU, Chairman of the Pointe Coupee Parish Council, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Parish of Pointe Coupee and the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim the month of **March 2025**, as **AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH** and do hereby urge all Americans to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

Unanimously carried.

PARISH PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Parish President Major Thibaut gave updates and reported on the following: presented a written financial report including sales tax, ad valorem tax, severance tax, utilities collections and permits fees; total revenues of \$3,660,687, total expenditures of \$3,158,779 and total excess revenues over expenditures of \$501,908 as of February 28, 2025; and advertising for one position in PC Rec.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE(S):

A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE II, SECTION 16-17 OF CHAPTER 16 RELATIVE TO NUISANCES (PUBLIC HEARING 4/8/25)

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a proposed ordinance to amend the Pointe Coupee Parish Code of Ordinances to amend Article II, Section 16-17 of Chapter 16 relative to nuisances and 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, April 8, 2025 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.

DISCUSSION OF CAPITAL REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

President Thibaut discussed attending the quarterly meetings of the Capital Regional Planning Commission by the current members serving on the commission representing Pointe Coupee. He reported on discussions with other parishes about attending the meetings.

RESOLUTION(S):

APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO PC PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

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

RESOLVED, That Mr. Brandon Melancon (District G) be appointed a member of the Pointe Coupee Parish Planning & Zoning Commission to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Johnny Ewing until December 31, 2027, who resigned.

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Unanimously carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOTICES, MEETINGS, ETC.

There were no announcements, notices, meetings, etc.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Bazile and seconded by Mr. Jarreau, the meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Gerrie P. Martin
Council Clerk

Dustin Boudreaux
Chairman