

**MINUTES**  
**POINTE COUPEE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**January 13, 2026**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at the Courthouse Annex in the Parish Council Meeting Room, New Roads, Louisiana.

Chairman Boudreaux called the meeting to order and directed Council Clerk Courtney Hurst to call the roll:

**PRESENT:** Messrs. Sidney LaCoste, Edward Soulier, Kurt Jarreau, Edward Bazile, Paul Bergeron, and Dustin Boudreaux.

**ABSENT:** Messrs. Jimmy Gaspard and Charles Watkins

**REORGANIZATION MEETING – ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Chairman Boudreaux announced that nominations were open for the election of a Chairman.

Mr. LaCoste nominated Mr. Boudreaux for Chairman.

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

**RESOLVED**, That nominations for Chairman be closed.

Unanimously carried.

Mr. Boudreaux was declared nominated Chairman.

Chairman Boudreaux thanked the Council Members for re-electing him Chairman of the Council.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2025 MEETING**

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

**RESOLVED**, That the minutes of December 9, 2025 regular 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 – PROCLAMATION DECLARING JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> – JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup> AS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

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

**PROCLAMATION**  
**Catholic Schools Week 2026**

WHEREAS, Catholic schools across the nation are celebrating Catholic Schools Week from Sunday, January 25 through Friday, January 29, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools in the Diocese of Baton Rouge evangelize hearts, educate minds, encourage talent and embrace the future; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools recognize the role of parents as the primary educators of their children, involve parents and communities in support of schools, and encourage local creativity and excellence in education; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools are committed to reaching out to all children regardless of heritage, religion, race or economic status, and indeed, have made this commitment part of their mission; and

WHEREAS, the Catholic schools of Louisiana and indeed of the entire nation, have traditionally provided an outstanding education to those attending them, thus contributing to the welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools have educated many of the leaders of the Catholic Church, civic community, state and nation; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools encourage the understanding that character is not measured by wealth or prominence but by integrity, compassion and concern for others; and

WHEREAS, both the Catholic community and all citizens of the city, parish, state and nation can share in the success achieved by the Catholic system of schools during the many years of service while remaining confident in its lasting endurance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DUSTIN BOUDREAUX, Chairman of the Pointe Coupee Parish Council, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Parish of Pointe Coupee and the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim January 25 - January 29, 2026 as **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK** in Pointe Coupee Parish and urge all citizens to join us in recognizing the Catholic schools in our community.

Unanimously carried.

SPECIAL BUSINESS – EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY AWARD FOR SHANIKA OLINDE

Parish President Thibaut presented a service award to Mrs. Shanika Olinde in recognition of her 25 years of service.

Mrs. Olinde thanked everyone for the service award and expressed her appreciation for the support she has received over the years from the Parish Administration.

Council members thanked Mrs. Olinde and her staff for their dedication and assistance throughout their years of service.

PARISH PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Parish President Thibaut provided updates and reported on the following: presented a written financial report detailing sales tax, ad valorem tax, severance tax, utility collections, and permit fees; reported total revenues of \$22,066,368, total expenditures of -\$23,304,502, fund balances for 2025 of \$18,640,742, and available end-of-year funds of \$17,402,608 as of December 31, 2025; and interviewing for Economic Development Director position. Also, Fire Coordinator will be determined by next Council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were not public comments on agenda items.

RECOMMENDATION FROM PLANNING & ZONING – APPROVAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE FOR MATTHEW & LAUREN O’BRYANT

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

RESOLVED, That the special use permit for a single-family residence at 7774 False River Road, Oscar, LA for Matthew & Lauren O’Bryant be approved as recommended by the Pointe Coupee Planning & Zoning Commission.

Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION – APPROVE FINAL PLAT FOR RE-SUBDIVISION OF LOT 16-C OF WALTER SMITH PARTITION INTO LOTS 16-C-1 & 16-C-2, SECTION 21 T-4-S, R-10-E FOR KEITH DEROZAN

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

RESOLVED, That the final plat showing the re-subdivision of lot 16-C of Walter Smith Partition into lots 16-C-1 & 16-C-2, section 21 T-4-S, R-10-E for Keith Derozan be approved as recommended by the Pointe Coupee Planning & Zoning Commission.

Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION – APPROVE FINAL PLAT FOR RIVERSIDE GROVE SUBDIVISION, LLC C/O CLIFF GUIDRY

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

RESOLVED, That the final plat for Riverside Grove Subdivision, LLC c/o Cliff Guidry in Jarreau, LA be approved as recommended by the Pointe Coupee Planning & Zoning Commission.

Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT (E-911)

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

RESOLVED, That Dr. Keith Courville be appointed as a member of the Pointe Coupee Parish Communications District (E-911) for a term of four (4) years.

Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1

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

RESOLVED, That Messrs. Jacques LaCour, Thomas McGill, and Joey Kent be appointed as members of the Pointe Coupee Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 1 for a term of four (4) years; and that Messrs. Mike Drago and Chris Clayton be appointed for a term of two (2) years.

Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

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

RESOLVED, That the Council hereby defers action on the appointment of members to Health Services District No. 1 until the next regular Council meeting.

Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

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

RESOLVED, That Mr. David Bonaventure and Mrs. Jennifer Vosburg be appointed as members of the Pointe Coupee Parish Industrial Development Board for terms of four (4) years.

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Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO FIRE DISTRICTS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

RESOLVED, That the Council hereby defers action on the appointment of members to the Fire Districts Board of Commissioners until the next regular Council meeting.

Unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL (POSITION D)

Motion by Mr. Bazile.

RESOLVED, That Ms. Karla Wesley Jack be appointed as a member of the Pointe Coupee Parish Library Board of Control (Position D) for a term of four (4) years.

Substitute motion by Mr. Jarreau.

RESOLVED, That Mrs. Catherine Rachal be appointed as a member of the Pointe Coupee Parish Library Board of Control (Position D) for a term of four (4) years.

Second substitute motion by Mr. Bergeron, seconded by Mr. LaCoste:

RESOLVED, That Mr. Greg LaCour be appointed as a member of the Pointe Coupee Parish Library Board of Control (Position D) for a term of four (4) years.

YEAS: Messrs. Sidney LaCoste, Edward Soulier, Edward Bazile, Paul Bergeron, and Dustin Boudreaux.

NAYS: Mr. Kurt Jarreau

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Messrs. Jimmie Gaspard and Charles Watkins

On a vote of 6-1-0-2, the second substitute motion passed.


The original motion by Mr. Bazile and substitute motion by Mr. Jarreau was thereby superseded and not voted upon.

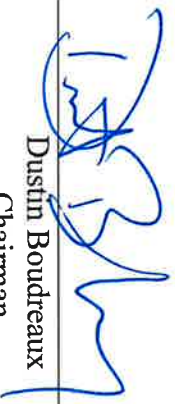
ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOTICES, MEETINGS, ETC.

Chairman Boudreaux announced that the Parish Government office will be closed on Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Bazile and seconded by Mr. LaCoste, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

  
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Courtney D. Hurst  
Council Clerk

  
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Dustin Boudreaux  
Chairman