

MINUTES
POINTE COUPEE PARISH COUNCIL
March 10, 2026

The Pointe Coupee Parish Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, 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. Jimmy Gaspard, Sidney LaCoste, Edwin Soulier, Charles Watkins, Kurt Jarreau, Edward Bazile, Paul Bergeron, and Dustin Boudreaux.

ABSENT: None.

APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 27 & FEBRUARY 10, 2026 MEETING

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes of January 27 (Special) and February 10, 2026 (Regular) meetings 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 MARCH AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

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

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.

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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 Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim the month of **March 2026**, as **AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH** and do hereby urge all Americans to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

Unanimously carried.

SPECIAL BUSINESS - EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY SERVICE AWARDS TO BECKY MAYEUX

Parish President Thibaut presented a 25-year Service Award to Mrs. Becky Mayeux in recognition of her dedicated service to the Parish Administration. Mrs. Mayeux expressed her sincere gratitude for the honor, acknowledging her team and conveying appreciation for the opportunity to serve the Parish over the past two decades.

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 \$7,298,318, total expenditures of -\$4,188,877, fund balances for 2026 of \$17,480,998, and available end-of-year funds of \$20,590,438 as of February 2026.

He also presented the Human Resources Report, noting two new hires; Economic Development Director Adam McCloskey and Administrative Assistant Kayla Livingston.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were not public comments on agenda items.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO THE POINTE COUPEE PARISH PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, CHAPTER 17, ARTICLE III (PUBLIC HEARING 4/14/26)

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a proposed ordinance to make amendments to the Pointe Coupee Parish Planning and Zoning Code, Chapter 17, Article III; 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 14, 2026** 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 person are urged to attend.

PUBLIC HEARING - AN INTRODUCED PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO CREATE CONSOLIDATED WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 1, THEREAFTER, DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE ADOPTION

A hearing to obtain public input to a proposed ordinance to create consolidated Waterworks District No. 1; and further provide with respect thereto was conducted at 5:52 p.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 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. LaCoste and seconded by Mr. Watkins:

RESOLVED, That the proposed ordinance to create consolidated Waterworks District No. 1, and further provide with respect thereto be adopted by the Pointe Coupee Parish Council.

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

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YEAS: Messrs. Gaspard, LaCoste, Soulier, Watkins, Jarreau, Bazile, Bergeron, and Boudreaux.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.
On a vote of 8-0-0, the motion carried.

RESOLUTION – GIVING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL TO THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED FOURTEEN MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$14,500,000) OF WATER REVENUE BONDS OF CONSOLIDATED WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

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

RESOLVED, That giving preliminary approval to the issuance of not to exceed fourteen million five hundred thousand dollars (\$14,500,00) of water revenue bonds of consolidated Waterworks District No. 1 of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana, in one or more series be approved by the Pointe Coupee Parish Council.

Unanimously carried.

SPECIAL MATTER – APPEAL FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE CONDEMNATION AND REMOVAL OF A DANGEROUS STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 5647 JOHNSON ST., BATCHELOR, LA 70715 (PARCEL #00149800) FOR AARON MILES ESTATE

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

RESOLVED, That a 30-day extension of time for the condemnation and removal of a dangerous structure located at 5647 Johnson Street, Batchelor, Louisiana (Parcel #00149800) for Aaron Miles Estate be approved.

Unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDANCE – CLOSED PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION OVERVIEW FOR MAY AND JUNE

Shanika Olinde with the Registrar of Voters and Becky Miller Ewing with the Pointe Coupee Clerk of Court addressed the Council regarding the closed party primary. They provided a brief overview of the history of the state's primary election laws and informed the Council of the upcoming elections scheduled for May and June, including what to expect during that election. They also addressed and answered questions from the Council.

CORRESPONDANCE – DISCUSS UPDATE ON GUMBO 2 BROADBAND PROJECT AND JOHNSON BAYOU/LATENACHE BAYOU PROJECT

President Thibaut provided a brief overview of the Gumbo 2 Broadband Project and the Johnson Bayou/Latenache Bayou Project, including updates on grants and funding. He noted that bids for the Johnson Bayou/Latenache Bayou Project cleanout opened on March 24, 2026.

He also provided an update on the status of the pumps at the Morganza Spillway and stated that he will be meeting with the Colonel of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to further discuss the status. He addressed and answered questions from the Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOTICES, MEETINGS, ETC.

There were no announcements, notices, meetings, etc.

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ADJOURNMENT

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



Courtney D. Hurst
Council Clerk



Dustin Boudreaux
Chairman