

**IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING, TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2018
PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, held a Public Hearing in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 19th day of June, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. pursuant to a Notice of Public Hearing published on the 14th day of June, 2018 in the Plaquemine Post South and the Iberville Parish website.

The Council Chairman, Matthew H. Jewell, called the hearing to order at 6:02 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Warren Taylor, District 1; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Steve C. Smith, District 5; Ty J. Arnold, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Louis R. Kelley, Jr., District 10; Timothy J. Vallet, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: Mitchel J. Ourso, Sr.; District 2; Leonard Jackson, Sr., District 4; Courtney P. Lewis, District 6.

A quorum was present and due notice had been published. Parish President- J. Mitchell Ourso, Jr., and Chief Administrative Officer- Edward Songy Stassi were also in attendance.

Mr. Songy read the following ordinance in entirety.

ORDINANCE 1 Ordinance to declare the following property to be surplus and to authorize the Parish Administrator to sell property at private sale

The floor was opened to comments and questions. There was no opposition to this ordinance.

There being no further business to be conducted, the hearing was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

/s/ KIRSHA D. BARKER
COUNCIL CLERK

/s/ MATTHEW H. JEWELL
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

**IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2018**

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session, in the Council Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Courthouse Building, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 19th day of June, 2018.

The Council Chairman, Matthew H. Jewell, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Warren Taylor, District 1; Thomas

E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Steve C. Smith, District 5; Courtney P. Lewis, District 6; Ty J. Arnold, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Louis R. Kelley, Jr., District 10; Timothy J. Vallet, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: Mitchel J. Ourso, Sr.; District 2; Leonard Jackson, Sr., District 4.

Parish President- J. Mitchell Ourso, Jr., Chief Administrative Officer- Edward Songy and Legal Counsel- Scott Stassi were also in attendance.

A quorum was present and due notice had been published on the 14th day of June, 2018. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Council Chairman Jewell called for anyone wanting to make public comments to register with the Clerk. No one registered to speak.

PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Councilman Taylor, and seconded by Councilman Dominique, it was moved to wave the reading of the minutes of May 15, 2018 and approve as written. The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Dominique, Smith, Lewis, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Ourso, Jackson.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Ourso reported on the following:

- President Ourso stated the Human Resources Director, Ms. Charlene Siplin works hard on the Summer Student Worker Program. There are 24 summer student workers and only 4 of them are registered to vote. He stated any student workers that are hired will not begin employment until they are registered to vote.
- Pictures of the Alligator Bayou Floodgate construction were presented to the Council. He is hoping to have this project complete in July.
- A picture of the Council on Aging Facility in Maringouin was also presented. They are hoping to have the facility completed by the end of the year.
- The Parish's Rifle Range project has had rain delays, which has delayed the sidewalk construction. A two inch water line has been added to provide water to the facility. There

is no power at this time but the Parish is currently working with Shintech and Entergy for the right of way. President Ourso is hoping to have the rifle range project complete by the end of the year.

- The Courthouse roof repairs have been rain delayed.
- The glass on the third floor is out and has to be changed, it is being advertised right now for bid. Glass is very expensive and it could cost between \$300,000 to \$ 400,000.
- CRISIS is an organization that will be the liaison for the new bill for the 5 Parish delegation and taxing authorities to fund the proposed south bridge. The bill was filed by Senator Rick Ward, III and signed by the Governor. The meeting will be on July 28, 2018 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm to come up with a funding mechanism between the 5 parishes for the proposed south bridge.
- Shintech officials are starting to scratch the ground for the SPP 3 plant. The property is in an industrial area near Troxclair Road. It is not an ITEP project.
- President Ourso announced to the Council that he canceled his knee replacement surgery since there are so many ongoing projects in the Parish.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

Mr. Hank Grace thanked the Council for their support of the ITEP Taminico resolution. The City of St. Gabriel and the Iberville Parish School Board also voted to support the project. He also has a letter of support from Sheriff Stassi. Mr. Grace also stated he may be back before the Council with a resolution of support for another Shintech project that President Ourso spoke about.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director, Randall Dunn stated the financial statements have been sent out. He would like to make the Council aware there is a new consolidated fund #122 for the Bayou Pigeon and Bayou Sorrel Fire Departments.

Councilman Bradford asked if the general fund is \$6 million less than last year. Mr. Dunn stated the tax obligations were just fulfilled in May so throughout the rest of this year the general fund will be going back up. The collections are going up and down throughout the months, but the fund is still much higher than it was four years ago.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE IPC# 008-18

ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH ADMINISTRATOR TO SELL PROPERTY AT PRIVATE SALE

WHEREAS the Parish of Iberville owns the property listed below which was acquired via an Act of Donation recorded in the official records for the Parish of Iberville at CB 676 E 209.

WHEREAS the property described below is not needed for public purposes and should be declared surplus and sold pursuant to Louisiana law.

WHEREAS it is beneficial for the property to be returned to commerce.

WHEREAS the adjacent property owners, Travis Simmons and Romona Morgan, have maintained the property.

1.) Parcel # 0200370820

Physical Address: Ware Drive

Brief Property Description: Lots 130 & 143 West Terrace Sub. Fr. Ware
Dr. Secs. 18 & 19 T9SR12E

Buyer: Travis Simmons and Romona Morgan

Sale Price: \$6,000.00

BE IT ORDAINED that the property described above is not needed for public purposes and is declared to be surplus and should be returned to commerce.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the property described above shall be sold to Travis Simmons and Romona Morgan for \$6,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED should any part of this ordinance be declared null, void, invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, the remainder of the said ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

This ordinance shall become effective on this the 19th day of June, 2018.

The foregoing ordinance, which was previously introduced at a regular meeting of the Parish Council on May 15, 2018, and a summary thereof having been published in the official journal, the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 19th day of June, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, was brought up for final passage with a motion by Councilman Smith, and seconded by Councilman Arnold, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Dominique, Smith, Lewis, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Ourso, Jackson.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on 19th day of June, 2018.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Introduction of Ordinances

The following ordinances were introduced by Mr. Songy:

- 1) Ordinance to adopt the millage rates for the tax year 2018
- 2) Ordinance to declare the following property to be surplus and to authorize the Parish Administrator to sell property to Matthew & Barbara Thomas at private sale

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Lewis, seconded by Councilman Taylor, it was moved that a public hearing be held on Tuesday, July 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. on the introduced ordinances.

The motion having been duly submitted to a vote, was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Dominique, Smith, Lewis, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Ourso, Jackson.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on June 19, 2018.

- B) Motion to reschedule the July 17, 2018 Council Meeting to Tuesday, July 24, 2018 due to the Annual NACo Convention.

Upon a motion by Councilman Vallet, and seconded by Councilman Markins, it was moved to reschedule the July 17, 2018 Council Meeting to Tuesday, July 24, 2018 due to the Annual NACo Convention. The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Dominique, Smith, Lewis, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Ourso, Jackson.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Resolution Committee met on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 6:04 p.m., followed by the roll call with the following Resolution Committee Members only in attendance: Smith, Vallet, Lewis Arnold, Kelley, Markins, Morgan, Dominique.

Absent: Jackson.

The following resolutions were read aloud by Mr. Songy:

- A) Resolution to select the Official Journal for the Iberville Parish Council for the period beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019
- B) Resolution to declare the following property to be surplus and to authorize the Parish Administrator to sell property at public sale

Councilman Vallet made a recommendation to forward the resolutions to the regular meeting, seconded by Councilman Dominique. The recommendation having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call by Resolution Committee Members only:

YEAS: Smith, Vallet, Lewis, Arnold, Kelley, Markins, Morgan, Dominique.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Jackson.

The recommendation was declared adopted by the Chairman to forward this item to the regular meeting.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT- DURING THE REGULAR MEETING

RESOLUTION IPC# 2018-008

RESOLUTION TO SELECT THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR THE IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2019

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Taylor, and seconded by Councilman Bradford.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 43:141 provides that a Parish Council at its first meeting in June of each year shall select a newspaper as official journal for its Parish for a term of one (1) year.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 43:142 further provides that the newspaper selected shall have been published in an office physically located in the Parish in which the governing body is located for a period of five (5) years proceeding.

WHEREAS, the Post-South newspaper is the only qualifying newspaper within the Parish of Iberville that meets the statutory criteria to be classified as the official parish journal.

WHEREAS, for the purposes of meeting the requirements of La. R.S. 43:150, the name and address, effective date of selection and the period for which the selection is effective of the official journal be filed with the Secretary of State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Iberville Parish Council as follows: “That the ‘Post South’ newspaper be selected as the official journal for the Iberville Parish Council for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.”

The above resolution was duly adopted in regular session on this 19th day of June, 2018 by the following votes on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Dominique, Smith, Lewis, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Ourso, Jackson.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 19th day of June, 2018.

RESOLUTION IPC# 2018-009

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CERTAIN USED MOVABLE PROPERTY AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOUISIANA LAW

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Taylor, and seconded by Councilman Bradford.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Iberville, through its Parish Council, has been requested to declare certain used movable property which is no longer required as surplus property.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 49:125 provides that a political subdivision is authorized to sell surplus movable property at public auction, and is authorized to employ a qualified licensed auctioneer to handle the said sale or to receive sealed bids for the sale of the surplus property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Iberville Parish Council as follows;

“That the used movable property identified on the attached Exhibit “A” be declared surplus movable property and that the items be sold at public auction or by sealed bid in accordance with Louisiana law after due public notice is published in the official journal of the Parish.

The above resolution was duly adopted in regular session this 19th day of June, 2018, by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Taylor, Dominique, Smith, Lewis, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Ourso, Jackson.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 19th day of June, 2018.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Finance Director, Randall Dunn read the following announcement aloud.

“Notice hereby given pursuant to Article 7, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:17059(B) that a public hearing of the Iberville Parish Council in Iberville Parish will be held at the Iberville Parish Council Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Courthouse Building, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana on Tuesday, July 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to consider adopting the millage rates, the public meeting will immediately follow at 6:30 p.m. in the Iberville Parish Council Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Courthouse Building, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana to consider adopting the millage rates.”

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Smith, and seconded by Councilman Vallet to adjourn at 6:52 p.m. The motion was unanimously adopted.

/s/ KIRSHA D. BARKER
COUNCIL CLERK

/s/ MATTHEW H. JEWELL
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN