

FEBRUARY 2, 2011

NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA

IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council of Iberia Parish, Louisiana met in Regular Session in the Parish Council Chambers, Main Courthouse Building, New Iberia, Louisiana, on Wednesday, February 2, 2011.

The following members were recorded PRESENT:

Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard, and Naray Hulin.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ernest Freyou, Parish President
Sally Angers, Chief Administrative Officer
Kevin Hagerich, Public Works Director
Eric Duplantis, Legal Counsel
Donna McDonald, Human Resources Director

The Parish Council of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the Governing Authority of the Parish of Iberia by Mr. Roger Duncan, its Chairman, who announced that the Council was now ready to conduct its business.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:

1. Representative Taylor Barras and Representative Simone Champagne addressed the Council regarding redistricting of the State Legislature signs. The stressed the need for local governments to stay involved in the redistricting process as the State's population has shifted considerably, due to several factors such as Hurricane Katrina, etc. Representatives Barras and Champagne assured the Council that they would be kept abreast of the process.
2. Mr. Reuben LeBlanc was scheduled to address the Council to request a Resolution opposing the fluoridation of the water supply of Iberia Parish. In the absence of Mr. LeBlanc, this presentation was made by Mr. Don Landry, Mr. Ken Fontenot and Mr. Jerry Conrad. The group requested that the Council consider adoption of a Resolution opposing the fluoridation of water.

A motion was made by Mr. Bernard E. Broussard, seconded by Mr. Naray Hulin, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby recess its Regular Session and convene as a Public Hearing to obtain public comments regarding Ordinances and Resolutions being considered for final adoption.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard, and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the motion was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

Several persons addressed the Council regarding the awarding of proposals for property and casualty liability insurance, including Mr. David Dorsey, Mr. Duane Dorsey and Mr. Tony Schwing. All were in opposition to awarding portions of this coverage to A. J. Gallagher, a Baton Rouge firm, and requested that the Council consider allowing only local agents to provide the Parish's coverage. Discussion by the Council followed on methods to improve upon the current process for selection of agents and insurance carriers for upcoming proposal processes for liability insurance.

Upon hearing no further comments, the Chairman requested a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing and to reconvene into Regular Session.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry Verret, seconded by Mr. Naray Hulin, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby adjourn its Public Hearing and reconvene into Regular Session.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry,

Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard, and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the motion was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Jerome Fitch, seconded by Mr. Glenn Romero, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION No. 2010-33

A RESOLUTION URGING AND REQUESTING THAT THE GOVERNOR AND THE LOUISIANA BOARD OF REGENTS FULLY FUND THE LSU AGCENTER (LSUAC) AT THE 2008-09 LEVEL OF STATE APPROPRIATIONS DUE TO THE CRITICAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES THEY PROVIDE IN ALL 64 LOUISIANA PARISHES.

WHEREAS, agricultural research developed through the Experiment Stations and delivery of research through the Cooperative Extension Service is vital and necessary to provide the technology to help farmers and ranchers provide a high quality, safe and affordable food supply for Louisiana people, and

WHEREAS, agricultural research and cooperative extension outreach is vital and necessary to provide the technology to support agricultural production and development related jobs in Louisiana, an industry worth over \$30 Billion to the Louisiana economy, and

WHEREAS, the AgCenter's 20 off campus research stations provide core research support for Louisiana farmers and ranchers, and

WHEREAS, the AgCenter's Cooperative Extension Service is a parish partner providing research-based information to farmers, ranchers, and citizens throughout the state through 64 parish-based offices that are provided by local government, and

WHEREAS, over 130 local police juries, consolidated governments, school boards, district attorney's and sheriffs in Louisiana are currently participating in and supporting cooperative agreements with the LSU AgCenter supporting Parish level programs, and

WHEREAS, the LSU AgCenter implements a very effective 4-H youth development program impacting over 225,000 children in all 64 parishes. This program is vital to the education and life skill development of Louisiana youth; and

WHEREAS, the AgCenter's family and consumer Science programs provide critical information to families on nutrition, healthy lifestyles, financial management, and childhood development, and

WHEREAS, through this partnership, research-based information is developed and transferred through an effective system in every parish using grass roots advisory councils that identify local needs, based on citizen involvement,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Louisiana Police Jury Association recommends full funding for the LSU AgCenter (LSUAC) at the July 1, 2008 funding level of state appropriations and encourages the Governor and the Louisiana Board of Regents to support and take action to meet the request outlined in this Resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council

and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Bernard E. Broussard, seconded by Mr. Naray Hulin, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby table action regarding Resolution Summary No. 34, which is a Resolution urging the creation of a Coastal Congressional District so that Coastal Louisiana can be represented by one voice in Congress whose priority is our coast and the commonalities that bond our communities, until the next regular meeting of the Council to be held on February 23, 2011.

This motion to table having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the motion to table was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

A motion to was made by Mr. Naray Hulin, seconded by Mr. Charles Williams, that the following be adopted,

RESOLUTION No. 2010-35

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2011 MOSQUITO CONTROL/DRAINAGE FUND BUDGET TO CARRY FORWARD THE BALANCE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FROM THE 2010 TO THE 2011 BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Mosquito Abatement District Commission has requested that the Iberia Parish Council carry forward the balance remaining in the 2010 budget for Capital Improvements into the 2011 budget so that said capital improvements projects may continued.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby authorize that the remaining balance be carried forward from the 2010 budget for Capital Improvements into the 2011 budget so that said capital improvements projects may continued.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Bernard E. Broussard, seconded by Ms. Maggie F. Daniels, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION No. 2010-36

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT \$250,000 FROM THE BP OIL SPILL GRANT FUNDING FOR TOURISM BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE RV PARK AT SUGARENA AND FURTHER REQUESTING THAT ADDITIONAL GRANT FUNDING BE APPROPRIATED FOR FAIRS AND FESTIVALS HELD IN IBERIA PARISH.

WHEREAS, the BP Oil Spill has negatively affected the tourism industry of Louisiana and other states; and

WHEREAS, BP has agreed to appropriate grant funding which has been dedicated for a tourism advertising campaign in order to attract tourist back to the Gulf Coast of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, said grant funding will be appropriated to the State and distributed to local and parish tourism agencies; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby recommend that \$250,000 from the BP Oil Spill grant funding for tourism be appropriated for the expansion of the RV Park at SugArena.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby request that additional grant funding be appropriated for Fairs and Festivals held in Iberia Parish.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Charles Williams, seconded by Mr. Naray Hulin, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby table action authorizing the awarding of contracts for Property and Casualty Insurance with various agencies based on proposals as received on Friday, January 21, 2011, until the next regular meeting to be held on February 9, 2011.

This motion to table having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the motion to table was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry Verret, unanimously seconded by Ms. Maggie F. Daniels and Messrs. Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION No. 2010-38

A RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF MR. PATRICK RICHARD, BROTHER OF DISTRICT 13 COUNCILMAN LARRY RICHARD, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 23, 2011.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby acknowledge the recent passing of Mr. Patrick Richard, brother of District 13 Councilman Larry Richard, who passed away on January 23, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richard was a son, brother, father, and grandfather to his family; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richard served his country in the United States Army with honor and bravery; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richard will be deeply missed by his family, his friends, and the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby express its sincere sympathies and condolences to the family of Mr. Patrick Richard, brother of District 13 Councilman Larry Richard, who passed away on January 23, 2011.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be forwarded to the family of Mr. Patrick Richard.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Naray Hulin, seconded by Mr. Glenn Romero, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION No. 2010-39

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE IBERIA PARISH LIBRARY BOARD TO FILL A VACANCY CREATED BY THE EXPIRATION OF TERM FOR MR. PETER LANDRY, WHOSE TERM EXPIRED ON OCTOBER 24, 2009. (Applications of Interest on File: (a) Julie Rosenzweig)

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Council is desirous of appointing one member to the Iberia Parish Library to fill a vacancy created by the expiration of term for Mr. Peter Landry, whose term expired on October 24, 2009; and

WHEREAS, an application of interest for appointment to this position has been received from Ms. Julie Rosenzweig; and

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Council does hereby waive Section 2-42 (e) of the Iberia Parish Compiled Ordinances requiring the submission of two applicants for said appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby appoint Ms. Julie Rosenzweig as a member of the Iberia Parish Library for a five year term to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of term of Mr. Peter Landry, whose term expired on October 24, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said term shall commence on February 3, 2011 and shall terminate on February 2, 2016.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry Verret, seconded by Mr. Jerome Fitch, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION No. 2010-40

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE IBERIA PARISH TOURIST COMMISSION, REPRESENTING THE EVENTS COMMUNITY, FOR A THREE YEAR TERM, TO FILL A VACANCY CREATED BY THE EXPIRATION OF TERM FOR MS. DEBRA SAVOIE, WHOSE TERM EXPIRES ON JANUARY 31, 2011. (APPLICATIONS OF INTEREST ON FILE: (A) GAIL GARCIA)

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Council is desirous of appointing one member to the Iberia Parish Tourist Commission, representing the Events Community, to fill a vacancy created by the expiration of term for Ms. Debra Savoie, whose term expires on January 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, an application of interest for appointment to this position has been received from Ms. Gail Garcia; and

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Council does hereby waive Section 2-42 (e) of the Iberia Parish Compiled Ordinances requiring the submission of two applicants for said appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby appoint Ms. Gail Garcia, as a member of the Iberia Parish Tourist Commission, representing the Events Community, for a three year term to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of term of Ms. Debra Savoie.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said term shall commence on February 3, 2011 and shall terminate on February 2, 2014.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

STANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS:

ITEM #2011-02-A (Introduced by Larry Richard, District 13)
Discuss and consider preliminary discussion regarding the establishment of the Iberia Economic Development District No. 3 to include property in and/or around the Delcambre area.

A motion was made by Mr. M. Larry Richard, seconded by Mr. Barry Verret, that the following item be tabled for further information.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard, and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the motion to table was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

ITEM #2011-02-B (Introduced by Bernard Broussard, District 6)
Discuss and consider a Resolution requesting that Congressional Delegation to secure grant funding in the amount of \$3.5 million to construct the infrastructure to connect the Acadiana Regional Airport/Coteau area to the New Iberia Sewerage Plant (the ARA Waste Water Treatment Plant Project).

During this discussion, Project Engineer David Moore provided a status report on an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Sewerage District No. 1 and the City of New Iberia regarding disposal of waste water at the City plant. The agreement is currently being negotiated and progress is being made.

A motion was made by Mr. Bernard E. Broussard, seconded by Mr. Thomas J. Landry, that the following item be forwarded to the next agenda of February 9, 2011.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Maggie F. Daniels, Curtis Boudoin, Thomas J. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Bernard E. Broussard, Barry Verret, Glenn Romero, Roger Duncan, Jerome Fitch, Charles Williams, M. Larry Richard, and Naray Hulin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Troy Comeaux and John Berard.

And the motion was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2011.

PARISH PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Parish President announced that sales tax receipts are down for the last couple of months.

COUNCIL MEMBER/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Councilman Bernard Broussard announced a meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on February 16, which will include discussion of proposed TIF Projects.
2. Councilman Curtis Boudoin questioned the status of the Gordon Doerle issue and was advised by Assistant District Attorney Eric Duplantis that the item was denied by the Planning and Zoning Commission and will be brought before the Council upon preparation of a complete presentation including information on the complexity of this issue. When all available information is prepared, a presentation will be made to the Council for final action.
3. Councilman Naray Hulin suggested that the proposed TIF Projects include the development of an Industrial Park for Iberia Parish which would generate additional TIF revenues.
4. Councilman Broussard announced that cost estimates are being updated for the five laning of Lewis Street at Admiral Doyle and further that he would consider requesting the City of New Iberia to consider participation in the portion of funding for this project that is within the city limits.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

None.

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Naray Hulin, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby adjourn.

The motion carried.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:

Clerk of the Council