

**MINUTES OF THE IBERIA PARISH BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS MEETING CONDUCTED  
ON THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014 AT 5:30 PM IN THE IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED  
AT 300 IBERIA STREET, NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA 70560**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Dana Dugas determined there was a quorum and called the Meeting to Order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** David Fangué, Lanie Borel, Dana Dugas, Nathaniel Mitchell, Butch Bourgeois

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jane Braud, Ronald Fremin, Perry Judice

**OTHERS PRESENT:** John R. Raines, Julie Armentor

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** David Fangué made a Motion to approve the March 20, 2014 Minutes which was seconded by Nathaniel Mitchell; the vote was unanimous.

**VARIANCE/INTERPRETATION REQUEST #1:** The Patout Living Trust of 1992 – 2508 Jefferson Terrace – Interpretation of Permitted Use (air cleaner repair shop) in area zoned General Business (C-2).

John Raines explained that he had discussed this interpretation request with the property owners who requested to appear before the Board. The property owners have advised that they were too hasty and would like to delay until next month. He explained that no action need be taken.

**VARIANCE/INTERPRETATION REQUEST #2:** Department of Permitting, Planning and Zoning – 5109 East Old Spanish Trail – Reaffirmation of Operating Conditions of Swift Ships Approval.

John Raines explained that two years ago Swift Ships had requested a variance to expand their facility as it is considered non-conforming. At that time, the Board granted the variance to expand provided that the sight proof fencing be provided, elimination of back out parking, and creation of a parking lot within the confines of the property. Swift Ships never proceeded with the improvements and is now commencing re-occupancy of the site.

John Raines explained that the neighbors are requesting implementation of the conditions established by the Board. He explained that the Board's conditions are predicated upon expansion of the facility which would be any increase in "square footage and/or cubical content". The neighbors requested reaffirmation of the Board's position.

Chairman Dugas opened the Public Hearing and Richard Boutte addressed the Board indicating that he would like to see the conditional improvements commenced now to insure their compliance. Chairman Dugas said the Board established conditions and until those conditions are met, no further action should be taken.

Nelda Mann addressed the Board indicating that she is concerned with the dredging that has occurred at the site. Chairman Dugas said she should contact the Corps of Engineers.

There being no further public input, Chairman Dugas closed the Public Hearing and requested direction of the Board. David Fangue made a Motion to reaffirm the Board's previous position which was seconded by Lanie Borel; the vote was unanimous.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

1. Presentation on Flood Plain Map – John Raines indicated that this matter will be discussed at the next meeting when Carmen Judice will be available.
2. Presentation on Construction Activity – John Raines distributed portions of an article from Life Style Magazine that indicated Lafayette Parish had \$72,893, 433 in commercial construction during 2013; he indicated further that in the same time period Iberia Parish had \$67,163,291 in commercial construction.
3. Update on Abandonment Regulations – John Raines indicated that the Iberia Parish Council had amended the Abandonment Ordinance to only require Commission involvement when an abandonment is requested; reduction in easements or partial abandonments need no longer be reviewed by the Commission.
4. Discussion on Ethics Training – John Raines indicated that he is attempting to establish a time and date for the training.
5. Discussion on Appurtenant Structures – John Raines indicated that this matter will be discussed at the next meeting when Carmen Judice will be available.
6. Discussion on elimination of Port from FEMA Regulations – John Raines indicated that this matter will be discussed at the next meeting when Carmen Judice will be available.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business Chairman Dugas requested a Motion to adjourn which was made by Nathaniel Mitchell and seconded by Lanie Borel; the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted  
John R. Raines