

IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL

AGENDA

FEBRUARY 14, 2024

6:00 P.M.

MAIN COURTHOUSE BUILDING

NEW IBERIA, LA 70560

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER & PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Policy allows Three (3) Minutes/person)

1. Comments from the General Public on Agenda Items
2. Persons being considered for appointment to Parish Boards/Commissions to address the Council.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION):

None.

REPORTS (PARISH OR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES):

1. Monthly Permit Report for the Month of January 2024.
2. Mr. Maurice Songy to provide an update on the progress of Acadiana Regional Airport Hangar Construction Project.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:

1. Public Works Department Report for Closed Work Orders dated January 10-23, 2024.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

(To be voted upon at tonight's meeting)

MINUTES:

Correction to Special Meeting of December 6, 2023 - Ordinance Nos. 2023-12-5281 and 2023-12-5283.

Correction to Regular Meeting of December 13, 2023 - Resolution No. 2023-239.

Regular Meeting of January 24, 2024.

Special Meeting of February 2, 2024.

SUMMARY NO. 19 (Introduced by Clerk of the Council)

A Resolution accepting the resignation of Mr. Frank Stoltz, as a member of the Iberia Parish Communications District Board, representing at large, effective immediately.

SUMMARY NO. 20 (Introduced by James P. Trahan, District 8)

A Resolution amending the 2024 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$174,803 to appropriate an external appropriation to the

Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District to fund Iberia Parish Government/Iberia Parish Sheriff's pro-rata share of matching funds needed for the District's capital outlay request to plan and construct a new crime laboratory facility, all to be funded from Fund Balance - Previous Years.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

(To be voted upon at tonight's meeting)

SUMMARY NO. 5291 (Introduced by Zoning Commission)

An Ordinance approving the reclassification request of 0.85 acres of property located at 102 Church Street, with said parcel being rezoned from R-2 (Mixed Residential) to C-2 (Commercial), located in District 8, all as reviewed and recommended by the Iberia Parish Zoning Commission.

SUMMARY NO. 5292 (Introduced by Zoning Commission)

An Ordinance approving the reclassification request of 76.99 acres of property located at Highway 675 and Grand Prairie Road, with said parcel being rezoned from A-1 (Agricultural) to I-1 (Industrial), located in District 2, all as reviewed and recommended by the Iberia Parish Zoning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

(To be voted upon at tonight's meeting)

SUMMARY NO.21(Introduced by Natalie Broussard, District 6)

A Resolution authorizing the Chairman and staff of Iberia Parish Council to create a Facebook account for purposes of posting Agendas, Minutes, Ordinances introduced and adopted, and advertisements for various Boards and Commissions Appointments, with any other posts to be subject to the approval of the Chairman.

SUMMARY NO.22(Introduced by Acadiana Fairgrounds Commission)

A Resolution changing the Acadiana Fairgrounds Commission bylaws to have regular scheduled meetings held on the 1st Tuesday of every month.

SUMMARY NO.23(Introduced by Brian P. Napier, District 11)

A Resolution establishing a temporary moratorium on the development, establishment, and/or construction of solar farms in the unincorporated areas of Iberia Parish for a period of six months.

SUMMARY NO.24(Introduced by Clerk of the Council)

A Resolution appointing one member to the Iberia Parish Mosquito Abatement District, representing the Educational Community, for a three year term to fill a vacancy created by the expiration of term for Mr. Jay Leger, whose term expires January 24, 2024. (Applications of interest on file: (a) Mr. Jay Leger)

SUMMARY NO.25(Introduced by Clerk of the Council)

A Resolution appointing one member to the Iberia Parish Mosquito Abatement District, representing as a La. Licensed Veterinarian for a three year term to fill a vacancy created by the expiration of term for Dr. Christopher Dupuy, whose term expires January 25, 2024. (Applications of interest on file from: (a) Dr. Christopher Dupuy)

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SUMMARY NO.26(Introduced by Fire Protection District No. 1)

A Resolution amending 2024 Fire District No. 1 Fund Budget in the amount of \$60,000 to provide additional funding for necessary repairs to Station 100 to remedy damages caused by a water leak in the second story window that damaged both levels and additional damages by a busted pipe within the wall during the freezing temperatures on Monday, January 22, 2024, all to be funded from Fund Balance - Previous Years.

Note: A motion to Suspend the Rules is needed as this item was not considered by the Joint Committee.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

(To be voted upon at next Council meeting, at which time comments from the general public will be heard)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS
AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, February 14, 2024

TIME: Immediately following the 6:00 p.m. Iberia Parish Council Meeting

COMMITTEES: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Lady Fontenette Brown, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Policy allows Three (3) Minutes/person)

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Michael R. Landry, Chair
Chad Maturin, Vice Chair

1. Discuss and consider a Resolution authorizing the awarding of contracts for Property and Liability insurances with various agencies, all as recommended by the Parish Administration. (Parish President)
2. Discuss and consider a Resolution authorizing the renewal of (a) group health insurance benefits with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Louisiana, (b) dental benefits with Guardian, and (c) life insurance benefits with Dearborn Life, and each for the period beginning on April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025. (Parish President)
3. Quarterly Report of Compensatory Time from the Human Resources Department ending December 2023, all in accordance with Resolution No. 2014-33. (For Committee information only; no action necessary) (Clerk of the Council)
4. Discuss and consider an Ordinance to amend and reenact Section 10-85 of the Code of Ordinances of Iberia Parish, Louisiana, relating to the Recreation and Playground Commission Board Member requirements; to provide for the effective date thereof; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (Legal Counsel)
5. Discuss and consider a Resolution to authorize the Parish President to make a recommendation to the Louisiana Board of Commerce regarding Bagwell Energy Services, Inc.'s Industrial Tax Exemption Program Contract #20180323-A-ITE for the amount of \$970,091.00, with one of the following options: (a) to reduce the term of the exemption, (b) to reduce the annual percentage of the exemption, or (c) to terminate the exemption, (d) defer any decision or action for non-compliance

for Project Year 2020 by Bagwell Energy Services, Inc. to the Louisiana Board of Commerce and Industry, or (e) recommend that the Louisiana Board of Commerce and Industry take no action for non-compliance for Project Year 2020 by Bagwell Energy Services, Inc. (Parish President)

6. Discuss and consider a Resolution to authorize the Parish President to make a recommendation to the Louisiana Board of Commerce regarding Bagwell Energy Services, Inc.'s Industrial Tax Exemption Program Contract #20180323-B-ITE for the amount of \$1,186,843.00, with one of the following options: (a) to reduce the term of the exemption, (b) to reduce the annual percentage of the exemption, or (c) to terminate the exemption, (d) defer any decision or action for non-compliance for Project Year 2020 by Bagwell Energy Services, Inc. to the Louisiana Board of Commerce and Industry, or (e) recommend that the Louisiana Board of Commerce and Industry take no action for non-compliance for Project Year 2020 by Bagwell Energy Services, Inc. (Parish President)

7. Discuss and consider a Resolution opposing the merger and buyout of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana by Elevance Health Carelon, a subsidiary affiliated with Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield affiliated plans, and urging the Governor of Louisiana Jeff Landry, Louisiana Insurance Commissioner Tim Temple and members of the Louisiana State Delegation to reconsider the economic effect and well-being of the communities affected by said merger. (Warren P. Gachassin, District 5)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Scott Ransonet, Chair

Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Vice Chair

None.

**PUBLIC HEALTH
& SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Lady Fontenette Brown, Chair

Natalie Broussard, Vice Chair

None.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Brian Napier, Chair

Caymen Crappell, Vice Chair

None.
