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APRIL 10, 2024

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, April 10, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

The following members were recorded as PRESENT:

Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ian Alpha, Legal Counsel

Parish President M. Larry Richard

CAO Milton "Bo" Belanger, III

Executive Secretary Cynthia Provost

Director of Finance Kimberly Segura

Director of Permits, Planning & Zoning Jacob Weaver

Director of Waterworks District No. 3 Brad Cradeur

Director of Personnel Edythe "Edie" Casselman

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. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., its Chairman, who announced that the Council was now ready to conduct its business.

COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Councilman Michael R. Landry announced that a Town Hall Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at Sugarland Elementary, 2403 Jefferson Island Road, New Iberia, LA for Districts 2, 3 and 14 to discuss the proposed millages and road tax.
2. Councilman Brian P. Napier announced that a Town Hall Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at Ward 8 Recreation Center, 803 Hubertville Road, Jeanerette, LA, to discuss the proposed millages and road tax.
3. Councilman James P. Trahan announced that Festival Live Oaks will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at New Iberia City Park. There will be crafts and vendor booths with a Barbeque Cookoff for adults and juniors. Cookoff applications may be obtained at Iberia Parish Parks and Recreation Center, 113 Willow Wood Drive, New Iberia, LA.
4. Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., announced that his daughter, Aline will be hosting her annual Aline's Amazing Lemonade Stand to benefit Angel Paws Adoption Center on Saturday, April 13, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. at 809 Briarwood Drive, New Iberia, LA. Lemonade, baked goods, fried fish, jambalaya, cracklins, and sub sandwiches will be served. The general public is invited to attend and the event is free of charge. Donations may be made to Angel Paws Adoption Center.
5. Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. announced that the next Iberia Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

PARISH PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Parish President M. Larry Richard announced that the proposed sales tax on the April 27, 2024 Ballot is for a 0.75% tax which will generate 4.8 million dollars per year for a ten year period and will be a dedicated tax for roads only for the purpose of constructing, improving and maintaining roads and streets within the District. President Richard explained that if the road tax passes, Iberia Parish will be at 8.45%.
2. President Richard gave a breakdown of the current 7.70% sales tax allocation of 4.45% - State, 2.00% - School Board, 0.25% - Law Enforcement, 0.25% - Mosquito (Iberia Parish Government), 0.25% - Recreational (Iberia Parish Government), 0.50% - Solid Waste (Iberia Parish Government).
3. President Richard informed the Council that Town Hall Meetings have been held in Loreauville, Lydia, Coteau, Grand Marais, and Camp Knighton to discuss proposed millages and road tax and have been very successful in educating the community.
4. Parish President announced the dates and times of upcoming Town Hall Meetings. The next Town Hall Meeting will be held at Sugarland Elementary, 2403 Jefferson Island Road on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
5. Parish President also announced that a Town Hall Meeting will be held at Iberia Middle School, 613 Weeks Island Road, New Iberia, LA on Monday, April 15, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
6. Parish President further announced that a Town Hall Meeting will be held at Ward 8 Recreation Center, 803 Hubertville Road, Jeanerette, LA on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
7. President Richard announced that Household Waste Day will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 p.m. in the Main Courthouse Building rear parking lot.
8. President Richard reminded everyone that a Special Election will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2024 for the Dedicated Road Tax of 0.75% and Renewal Propositions for the Health

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- Unit, Library, Public Buildings and Drainage. Early voting will begin on Saturday, April 13, 2024. Absentee voting will be closed on Sundays.
9. President Richard informed the Council that Iberia Parish Mosquito Control Director Herff Jones attended a 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Workshop in Anastasia County, Florida highlighting Iberia Parish. Director Jones presented elements of our mosquito program with key federal agencies and decision makers.
  10. Parish President announced the first phase of the Bayou Teche Debris Removal Project will be completed by April 19, 2024. He stated that Teche Vermilion Levee District Board approved \$65,000 at their Board Meeting on Monday, April 9, 2024 to complete this project. This project is being done in conjunction with the Department of Transportation, Army Corp of Engineers, State of Louisiana Governor's Office and Iberia Parish Government.
  11. President Richard announced that Mullins Road Bridge is scheduled to open next week.
  12. President Richard stated that a Pre-Bid Conference for First Solar Water Treatment Plant was held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024. He informed the Council that C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, L.L.C. is in charge of this project and will be receiving bids on Wednesday, April 17, 2024.
  13. President Richard informed the Council that on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, a concrete slab was poured at Jefferson Canal South in Delcambre. Installation of box culverts is expected to begin on Monday, April 15, 2024 with this project scheduled to be completed in September of 2024. Videos of the concrete pouring and slab finishing were viewed by the Council.
  14. President Richard mentioned that they are still working with Waste Connections on waste drop-off sites and is hoping to complete this project within the next couple of months.
  15. Parish President also reminded everyone to visit the newly renovated Iberia Parish Government website which can be viewed at [www.iberiaparishgovernment.com](http://www.iberiaparishgovernment.com). Improvements to the website are ongoing.

A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the Council recess its Regular Session and convene in a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public at this time.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier,, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Comments from the General Public on Agenda Items.
  - a) The Iberia Parish Sheriff Tommy Romero addressed the Council in regards to the Parishwide 1/4 Cent Sales Tax on the April 27, 2024 Special Election Ballot.
2. Persons being considered for appointment to Parish Boards, Commissions, and/or Districts addressed the Council, including: (a) Mr. James Sprague, applicant for Waterworks District No. 3 Board of Commissioners.

A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, that the Council does hereby recess its Public Hearing and reconvene into Regular Session at this time.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. requested that the Council discuss and consider a motion to Expand the Agenda, as follows:

Discuss and consider a motion to expand the agenda to discuss and consider the following item:

SUMMARY NO.68 (Introduced by Hospital Service District No. 1)  
A Resolution acknowledging receipt of the 2023 Fiscal Year Audit of the Financial Statements of Hospital Service District No. 1 of Iberia Parish (Iberia Medical Center); to provide for the effective date thereof; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

The purpose of this expansion is to acknowledge receipt of the 2023 Fiscal Year Audit of Financial Statements.

A motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded by Mr. Lloyd Brown, that the Council recess its Regular Session and convene in a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public regarding the proposed expansion item(s) as noted above at this time.

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

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And the motion was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

There were no comments received from the general public at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the Council recess its Public Hearing and convene in Regular Session at this time.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby Expand the Agenda as follows:

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded by Mr. Lloyd Brown, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby Suspend the Rules to discuss and consider Ordinance Resolution Summary No. 68, as this item was not considered by the Joint Committee.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion to Suspend the Rules was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

Iberia Medical Center Director Dionne Viator gave a summary of the 2023 Fiscal Year Audit of Financial Statements of Hospital Service District No. 1 of Iberia Parish.

A motion was made by Mr. Dustin Suire, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-68

A RESOLUTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE 2023 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF IBERIA PARISH (IBERIA MEDICAL CENTER); TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 has submitted its annual audit report for the period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby acknowledge receipt of the 2023 Fiscal Year Audit of Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 (Iberia Medical Center); providing for the effective date thereof; and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION):

1. The Balance Sheets for December 2023 were emailed to Council Members.
2. The YTD Budget Reports (Budget vs. Actual) for December 2023 were emailed to Council Members.

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3. The Balance Sheets for January 2024 were emailed to Council Members.
4. The YTD Budget Reports (Budget vs. Actual) for January 2024 were emailed to Council Members.
5. The Balance Sheets for February 2024 were emailed to Council Members.
6. The YTD Budget Reports (Budget vs. Actual) for February 2024 were emailed to Council Members.

## PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:

1. The Public Works Department Report for Closed Work Orders dated March 13-26, 2024 were emailed to Council Members.

## SPECIAL BUSINESS:

1. Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. announced that a Public Meeting will be held on May 8, 2024 to adopt Ordinance(s) authorizing the levy of various millages for the year 2024.

## CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. requested if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda at this time.

Hearing no requests for removal of items, a motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that the following be adopted:

## MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of March 27, 2024.

## RESOLUTION NO. 2024-58

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET IN THE NET AMOUNT OF \$42,541 TO CARRY FORWARD (1) SHSP 2022 GRANT EXPENDITURE FUNDING AND RELATED REVENUES (\$4,446); (2) VEHICLE PURCHASE - PUBLIC WORKS ADMIN (\$42,541); AND (3) ARPA - BROADBAND EXPENDITURE AND RELATED REVENUE (\$310,000) TO THE CURRENT'S YEAR BUDGET.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2024 General Fund Budget in the net amount of \$42,541 to carry forward (1) SHSP 2022 grant expenditure funding and related revenues (\$4,446); (2) vehicle purchase - Public Works Admin (\$42,541); and (3) ARPA - Broadband expenditure and related revenue (\$310,000) to the current year's budget; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2024 General Fund Budget in the net amount of \$42,541 to carry forward (1) SHSP 2022 grant expenditure funding and related revenues (\$4,446); (2) vehicle purchase - Public Works Admin (\$42,541); and (3) ARPA - Broadband expenditure and related revenue (\$310,000) to the current year's budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2024 General Fund Budget in the net amount of \$42,541 to carry forward (1) SHSP 2022 grant expenditure funding and related revenues (\$4,446); (2) vehicle purchase - Public Works

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Admin (\$42,541); and (3) ARPA - Broadband expenditure and related revenue (\$310,000) to the current's year budget, as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
431000 2911 0000 1097	SHSP 2022	-0-	\$4,446
431000 0000 0000 1085	ARPA - Broadband	-0-	\$310,000
499000 0000 0000 0000	Fund balance-previous years	-0-	\$42,541
574200 2911 0000 1097	Donated equipment	-0-	\$4,446
574100 3100 0000 0000	Equipment	-0-	\$42,541
575000 0000 0000 1085	Contract payments (Broadband)	-0-	\$310,000

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that said adjustments having no effect on Fund Balance.

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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.



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A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that Resolution Summary No. 59, which is a Resolution on behalf of Iberia Parish requesting our local delegation and Governor of Louisiana to consider reinstating the reimbursement to the Parish for the health and medical care of prisoners which is currently an unfunded mandate and has placed a burden on Health Unit Millage with continued efforts of focusing on crime, be adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded unanimously by Messrs. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin, that the following be adopted:

## RESOLUTION NO. 2024-59

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF IBERIA PARISH REQUESTING OUR LOCAL DELEGATION AND GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA TO CONSIDER REINSTATING THE REIMBURSEMENT TO THE PARISH FOR THE HEALTH AND MEDICAL CARE OF PRISONERS WHICH IS CURRENTLY AN UNFUNDED MANDATE AND HAS PLACED A BURDEN ON HEALTH UNIT MILLAGE WITH CONTINUED EFFORTS OF FOCUSING ON CRIME.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Iberia Parish Council to request the Local Delegation and Governor Jeff Landry to consider reinstating the reimbursement to the Parish for the health and medical care of prisoners which is currently an unfunded mandate and has placed a burden on Health Unit millage with continued efforts of focusing on crime.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby request the Local Delegation and Governor Jeff Landry to consider reinstating the reimbursement to the Parish for the health and medical care of prisoners which is currently an unfunded mandate and has placed a burden on Health Unit millage with continued efforts of focusing on crime.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration shall forward said request to the Iberia Parish Local Delegation, the municipalities of Iberia Parish, and the Iberia Parish School Board for their support of 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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

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And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

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A motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that the following be adopted:

## RESOLUTION NO. 2024-60

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 PARISHWIDE DRAINAGE FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,846 TO CARRYOVER VEHICLE PURCHASE WHICH IS DELAYED DUE TO VEHICLE INVENTORY.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2024 Parishwide Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$61,846 to carryover vehicle purchase which is delayed due to vehicle inventory; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2024 Parishwide Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$61,846 to provide for said carryover.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2024 Parishwide Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$61,846 to reflect the carryover of vehicle purchase, to be funded with the Fund Balance, Previous Years as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
499000 0000 0000 0000	Fund balance-previous years	\$1,720,353	\$61,846
574100 3200 0000 0000	Equipment	\$396,500	\$61,846

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that said adjustments having no effect on Fund Balance.

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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-61

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 MOSQUITO CONTROL/DRAINAGE FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$108,000 TO PROVIDE FOR CARRYOVER OF EQUIPMENT FUNDING.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2024 Mosquito Control/Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$108,000 to provide for carryover of equipment funding; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2024 Mosquito Control/Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$108,000 to provide for carryover of equipment funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2024 Mosquito Control/Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$108,000 to provide for carryover of equipment funding, as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
574100 4170 0001 0000	Equipment	\$190,000	\$108,000
599000 4170 0001 0000	Fund Bal-Prev Years	\$1,272,030	(\$108,000)

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that said adjustments having no effect on Fund Balance.

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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

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A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the following be adopted:

## RESOLUTION NO. 2024-62

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 RECREATION DISTRICT NO.1 FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$179,942 TO CARRYOVER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDING FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2024 Recreation District No. 1 Fund Budget in the amount of \$179,942 to carryover capital improvement funding for various projects; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2024 Recreation District No. 1 Fund Budget in the amount of \$179,942 to carryover capital improvement funding for various projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2024 Recreation and Playground Commission Fund Budget in the amount of \$179,942 to carryover capital improvement funding for various projects, as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
499000 0000 0000 0000	Fund Bal-Prev Yrs	\$695,004	\$179,942
575000 5220 0021 0000	Contract payments	\$300,000	\$179,942

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that said adjustments having no effect on Fund Balance.

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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-63

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 PARISHWIDE DRAINAGE FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$535,688 TO ACCOUNT FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO BE RECEIVED AS A RESULT OF THE 2023 MOSQUITO CONTROL/DRAINAGE TAX SURPLUS DISTRIBUTION, AND FURTHER AMENDING THE 2024 MOSQUITO CONTROL/DRAINAGE FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,056,254 TO PROVIDE FOR SURPLUS DISTRIBUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SALES TAX PROPOSITION.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2024 Parishwide Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$535,688 to account for additional funds to be received as a result of the 2023 Mosquito Control/Drainage Tax Surplus Distribution, and further amending the 2024 Mosquito Control/Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,056,254 to provide for Surplus Distribution in accordance with sales tax proposition; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2024 Parishwide Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$535,688 to account for additional funds, resulting in reduction of the budgeted deficit which will increase estimated fund balance at year end; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2024 Mosquito Control/Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,056,254 to provide for Surplus Distribution.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2024 Parishwide Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$535,688 to account for additional funds to be received as a result of the 2023 Mosquito Control/Drainage Tax Surplus Distribution, and further amending the 2024 Mosquito Control/Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,056,254 to provide for Surplus Distribution in accordance with sales tax proposition, as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
499000 0000 0000 0000	Fund Balance-previous years	\$1,720,353	(\$535,688)
910110 0000 0000 0000	Transfer-Mosquito Control	\$797,588	\$535,688
499000 0000 0000 0000	Fund balance-previous years	\$1,572,667	\$1,056,254
600004 4170 0001 0000	Town of Delcambre	\$9,850	\$6,615
600005 4170 0001 0000	City of Jeanerette	\$108,242	\$72,699
600006 4170 0001 0000	Vill of Loreauville	\$14,799	\$9,939
600008 4170 0001 0000	City of New Iberia	\$642,188	\$431,313
960103 4170 0001 0000	PW Drainage Fund	\$797,588	\$535,688

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the amendment to the 2024 Parishwide Drainage Fund Budget will result in reducing the budgeted deficit which will increase estimated fund balance at year end.

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

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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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that Resolution Summary No. 64, which is a Resolution requesting the Department of Transportation and Development to remove the cones and barriers currently in place which would allow traffic to flow unimpededly on La. 182 (West Old Spanish Trail) until such time a decision is made regarding the Airport Boulevard Railroad Crossing, be adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that Resolution Summary No. 64, be amended to revise the language to read: "A Resolution requesting the Department of Transportation and Development to repair La. Highway 182 and remove the cones and barriers currently in place which would allow traffic to flow unimpededly on La. Highway 182 (West Old Spanish Trail) until such time a decision is made regarding the Airport Boulevard Railroad Crossing," and be adopted, as follows:

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion to Amend was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-64

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT TO REPAIR LA. HIGHWAY 182 AND REMOVE THE CONES AND BARRIERS CURRENTLY IN PLACE WHICH WOULD ALLOW TRAFFIC TO FLOW UNIMPEDEDLY ON LA. HIGHWAY 182 (WEST OLD SPANISH TRAIL) UNTIL SUCH TIME A DECISION IS MADE REGARDING THE AIRPORT BOULEVARD RAILROAD CROSSING.

WHEREAS, there has been a request that the Department of Transportation and Development repair La. Highway 182 and remove the cones and barriers currently in place which would allow traffic to flow unimpededly on LA 182 (West Old Spanish Trail) until such time a decision is made regarding the Airport Boulevard Railroad Crossing; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council hereby requests the Department of Transportation and Development to repair La. Highway 182 and remove the cones and barriers currently in place which would allow traffic to flow unimpededly on La. 182 (West Old Spanish Trail) until such time a decision is made regarding the Airport Boulevard Railroad Crossing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration shall forward this Resolution to La. Delta Railroad, the La. Department of Transportation and the Iberia Parish Legislative Delegation.



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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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that Resolution Summary No. 65, which is a Resolution for the Federal Off-System Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Allocation for the period of 2023-2025 in the amount of \$2,874,168, as recommended for replacement by the Parish Bridge Inspector for the following bridges:

- (A) Monnot Road Over Delahoussaye Canal (Structure No. 032329539914101, Recall No. 200708, Year 1966);
- (B) Sidney Leblanc Road Over Coulee (Structure No. 032329573914931, Recall No. 030057, Year 1986);
- (C) Coulee Road At Peebles Coulee (Structure No. 032329562914901, Recall No. 200735, Year 1970);
- (D) John Lewis Road At Little Valley Bayou (Structure No. 032329544914681, Recall No. 200729, Year 1975); and
- (E) Eighty Arpent At Delahoussaye Canal (Structure No. 032329521914201, Recall No. 200717, Year 1967), be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that Resolution Summary No. 65, be deferred to the April 24, 2024 Iberia Parish Council Meeting Agenda.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion to DEFER was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

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A motion was made by Mr. James P. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the following be adopted:

## RESOLUTION NO. 2024-66

A RESOLUTION TO THE LA. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT CANCELLING STATE STRUCTURE NO. 032330032915531/RECALL NO. 200692, YEAR 1965, LABIT ROAD OVER COULEE, BRIDGE REPLACEMENT IN THE FEDERAL OFF-SYSTEM BRIDGE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Council is the governing authority of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Government is the road and bridge authority for Iberia Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Government is vested with the authority to cancel said project in the Federal Off System Bridge Program; and

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Government has determined that the following project should be cancelled in the Federal Off System Bridge Program:

Name - Labit Road over Coulee  
Structure Number 032330032915531  
Recall Number 200692  
Year 1965

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council, the governing authority of the Parish of Iberia, does hereby cancel Labit Road over Coulee, State Structure No. 032330032915531/Recall No. 200692, Year 1965, in the Federal Off-System Bridge Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration is authorized to forward this Resolution to the attention of Ms. Barbara Ostuno, Off-System Bridge Program Manager within the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish President is authorized to execute any and all or agreements, documents or other writings necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of 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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

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Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. requested that the Council discuss and consider a motion to Expand the Agenda, as follows:

Discuss and consider a motion to Expand the Agenda to discuss and consider the following items:

SUMMARY NO. 67 (Introduced by Parish President)

A Resolution authorizing the Iberia Parish President to execute an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation to contribute funding for the project to clear debris from the Bayou Teche; to provide an effective date; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

The purpose of this expansion is to expedite the process for Iberia Parish Government to enter into an agreement with Louisiana Department of Transportation for the amount of \$65,000 to begin the debris cleaning and cleaning on the Bayou Teche.

A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Lloyd Brown, that the Council recess its Regular Session and convene in a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public regarding the proposed expansion item(s) as noted above at this time.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

There were no comments received from the general public at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded by Mr. Dustin Suire, that the Council recess its Public Hearing and convene in Regular Session at this time.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby Expand the Agenda as follows:

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion to Expand the Agenda was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby Suspend the Rules to discuss and consider Resolution Summary No. 67, as this item was not considered by the Joint Committee.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion to Suspend the Rules was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-67

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IBERIA PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT TO CLEAR DEBRIS FROM THE BAYOU TECHE; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Iberia Parish Government, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, are cooperating on a project to clean and clear debris from the Bayou Teche (Project);

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WHEREAS, the Project will be within the boundaries of Iberia Parish and is necessary to restore the Bayou Teche to navigable status; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Transportation is requesting that Iberia Parish enter into an agreement to contribute \$65,000.00 to the Project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Iberia Parish President is hereby authorized to execute a Memorandum of Agreement between Iberia Parish Government and the Louisiana Department of Transportation for debris cleaning and clearing on the Bayou Teche for Iberia Parish Government to provide \$65,000.00 in funding to the project.

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: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

None.

A motion was made by Mr. James P. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Thomas "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby adjourn.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Natalie Broussard, Scott Ransonet, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Caymen Crappell.

And the motion was declared adopted this 10th day of April, 2024.

Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. then declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:

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Clerk of the Council