

FEBRUARY 2, 2024
NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA

IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council of Iberia Parish, Louisiana met in Special Session in the Parish Council Chambers, Main Courthouse Building, New Iberia, Louisiana, on Wednesday, February 2, 2024, at 5:52 p.m.

The following members were recorded as PRESENT:

Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

ABSENT: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Natalie Broussard, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

CAO Milton "Bo" Belanger, III
Executive Secretary Cynthia Provost
Director of Mosquito Control Herff Jones
Director of Sewerage District No. 1 Brad Cradeur

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. Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. announced that the next Iberia Parish Council Meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
2. Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. announced that the Storm Water Management Survey can be located on the Iberia Parish Government website (www.iberiaparishgovernment.com) on the Storm Water page. He requested that the community complete the survey.

PARISH PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Lloyd Brown, 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: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Natalie Broussard, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. There were no comments from the General Public on Non-Agenda Items heard at this time.
2. Persons being considered for appointment to Parish Boards, Commissions, and/or Districts addressed the Council, including: (a) Mr. Jay Leger, applicant for Iberia Parish Mosquito Abatement District.

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, 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: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

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NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Natalie Broussard, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2024.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

There were no Consent Agenda Items for public hearing and adoption.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

There were no Ordinances Introduced for public hearing and adoption.

A motion was made by Mr. Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-18

A RESOLUTION AMENDING 2024 SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,875,000 TO ACCEPT FEDERAL GRANT REVENUES THROUGH U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA) GRANT AWARD NO. ED24AUSOG0032 (\$3.1M) AND LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS THROUGH UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA (UL) LAFAYETTE (\$775,000) AND APPROPRIATE PROJECT EXPENDITURE LINE ITEMS NEEDED TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT A NEW SEWER LIFT STATION AND FORCE MAIN TO SUPPORT GROWTH FOR THE PROJECT RELATED TO FIRST SOLAR PROJECT SITE AND PROGRESS POINT INDUSTRIAL PARK AND UL LAFAYETTE'S NEW IBERIA RESEARCH CENTER.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2024 Sewerage District No. 1 Fund Budget in the amount of \$3,875,000 to accept Federal grant revenues through U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant Award No. ED24AUSOG0032 (\$3.1M) and local contributions through University of Louisiana (UL) Lafayette (\$775,000) and appropriate project expenditure line items needed to design and construct a new sewer lift station and force main to support growth for the project related to First Solar Project Site and Progress Point Industrial Park and UL Lafayette's New Iberia Research Center; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2024 Sewerage District No. 1 Fund Budget in the amount of \$3,875,000 to establish said funding.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2024 Sewerage District No. 1 Fund Budget in the amount of \$3,875,000 to accept Federal grant revenues through U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant Award No. ED24AUSOG0032 (\$3.1M) and local contributions through University of Louisiana (UL) Lafayette (\$775,000) and appropriate project expenditure line items needed to design and construct a new sewer lift station and force main to support growth for the project related to First Solar Project Site and Progress Point Industrial Park and UL Lafayette's New Iberia Research Center, as follows:

ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT TITLE	BUDGET	ADJUSTMENT
431000 3450 0000 1106	EDA Grant	-0-	\$3,100,000
470061 3450 0000 1106	Contributions - local	-0-	\$775,000
533100 3450 0000 1106	Arch/engr services	-0-	\$344,860
533600 3450 0000 1106	Administrative fees	-0-	\$101,000
571100 3450 0000 1106	Land	-0-	\$1,000
574100 3450 0000 1106	Equipment	-0-	\$1,166,000
575000 3450 0000 1106	Contract payments	-0-	\$1,963,000
598000 3450 0000 1106	Contingencies	-0-	\$299,140

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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: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Natalie Broussard, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2024.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

None.

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

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

YEAS: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Natalie Broussard, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 2nd day of February, 2024.

Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. then declared the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:


Clerk of the Council