

JANUARY 8, 2025

NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA

IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL

JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Joint Committee Meeting was called to order by Chairman James P. Trahan at 6:52 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Those members recorded as present were as follows:

Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, 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.

Those members recorded as absent were as follows:

Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

Others in Attendance:

Legal Counsel Ian Alpha

Parish President Larry M. Richard

CAO Milton "Bo" Belanger III

Executive Secretary to Parish President Cyndi Provost

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

A motion was made by Mr. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the Iberia Parish Joint Committee does hereby recess its Regular Session and convene in a Public Hearing to obtain 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, 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.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

1. There were no comments from the General Public on Agenda Items.
2. There were no comments from the General Public on Non-Agenda Items.

A motion was made by Mr. Dustin Suire, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the Iberia Parish Joint Committee Meeting does hereby adjourn 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, 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.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

MINUTES:

Special Finance Committee Meeting of October 14, 2024.
Special Finance Committee Meeting of October 21, 2024.
Special Finance Committee Meeting of October 28, 2024.
Regular Joint Committee Meeting of December 11, 2024.
Regular Joint Committee Meeting of December 18, 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Michael R. Landry, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that the abovementioned Meeting Minutes be adopted.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, 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.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Chairman Michael R. Landry called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

1. Quarterly Report of Compensatory Time from the Human Resources Department ending December 2024, all in accordance with Resolution No. 2014-33. (For Committee information only; no action necessary)
2. Discuss and review Section 7-06. Boards and Commissions of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.
Note: This item was deferred at the December 11, 2024 Joint Committee Meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the Executive Committee does hereby recommend that the Iberia Parish Council adopt the abovementioned Resolution.

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the Executive Committee No. 2 be deleted, at this time.

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

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, 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.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

And the motion to Delete was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

3. Discuss and consider a Resolution requesting the transfer of the Sugarcane Festival Building to the City of New Iberia authorizing the Parish President to continue negotiations with the City to accomplish transfer.

A motion to AMEND was made by Mr. Dustin Suire, seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, to amend authorizing the Parish President to continue negotiations with the City of New Iberia to accomplish the transfer of the Sugar Cane Festival Building to the City of New Iberia and further request the District Attorney to seek a letter of opinion from the Louisiana Attorney General's Office and that the Executive Committee does hereby recommend that the Iberia Parish Council adopt the abovementioned Resolution with the amendment.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to amend was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., unanimously by Ms. Natalie Broussard, and Messrs. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin, that the abovementioned Resolution with the amendment be adopted.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

4. Discuss and consider a Resolution amending the General Fund to seek legal counsel for Planning and Zoning Meetings in the amount of \$10,000, all to be funded from Previous Years - Fund Balance.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Brock Pellerin, that the Executive Committee does hereby recommend that the Iberia Parish Council adopt the abovementioned Resolution.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

Upon hearing no further business to come before the Executive Committee, a motion was made by Ms. Natalie Broussard, seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that the Executive Committee 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, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

Chairman Michael R. Landry declared the Executive Committee Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

There were no items to come before the Finance Committee.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Vice Chairman Natalie Broussard called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

1. Permit, Planning and Zoning Director to provide an update on the Home Abatement Progress.

Berard Habetz & Associates Engineer Matthew Landry gave an update on Iberia Parish Home Abatement Process.

Upon hearing no further business to come before the Public Health & Safety Committee, a motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Mr. Dustin Suire, that the Public Health & Safety Committee 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, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

Vice Chairman Natalie Broussard declared the Public Health & Safety Committee Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Chairman Brian P. Napier called the meeting to order at 7:52 p.m.

1. Discuss and consider an Ordinance establishing rules and regulations for AirBnbs in Iberia Parish.

A motion was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend that the Iberia Parish Council adopt the abovementioned Resolution.

A motion to AMEND was made by Mr. Brock Pellerin, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, to amend requesting the Zoning Commission to include an agenda item for the Zoning Adjustments Meeting to be held on Monday, February 10, 2025 to discuss and consider creating a committee to develop an Ordinance establishing rules and regulations for Air BnBs in Iberia Parish and that the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend that the Iberia Parish Council adopt the abovementioned Resolution with the amendment.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to amend was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

2. Discuss and consider a Resolution requesting Administration to overlay Lewis Street from the City limits line to start of state portion of Lewis Street, all to be funded from Economic Development - Previous Years Fund Balance.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend that the Iberia Parish Council adopt the abovementioned Resolution.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

Upon hearing no further business to come before the Public Works Committee, a motion was made by Mr. Dustin Suire, seconded by Mr. James P. Trahan, that the Public Works Committee 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, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brock Pellerin, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Marcus "Bruce" Broussard.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 8th day of January, 2025.

Chairman Brian P. Napier declared the Public Works Committee Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

There being no other business on the Public Works Committee, the Iberia Parish Council adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:


Clerk of the Council