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JULY 26, 2023

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, July 26, 2023, 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., Natalie Broussard, Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., Lady Fontenette Brown (entered meeting at 6:13 p.m.), Scott Saunier, and Chad Maturin.

ABSENT: Brian P. Napier.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Legal Counsel Ian Alpha

Chief Administrative Officer Milton Belanger, III

Director of Planning, Permitting, and Zoning Jacob Weaver

Executive Secretary Cynthia Provost

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.

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A motion was made by Mr. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, 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., Natalie Broussard, Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., Scott Saunier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Brian P. Napier.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 26th day of July, 2023.

There were no Public Comments from the General Public heard at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., seconded by Mr. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., 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., Natalie Broussard, Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., Scott Saunier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Brian P. Napier.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 26th day of July, 2023.

## REPORTS (PARISH OR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES):

1. Mr. Craig Romero, Executive Director of The Port of Iberia was not able to be present to address the Council regarding a Foreign Zone Application for Global Risers USA, LLC. Mr. Romero sent a video that was shared with the Council in regards to Global Risers USA, LLC.

## PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:

1. The Public Works Department Report for Closed Work Orders dated June 28-July 11, 2023 was emailed to the Council members.

COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Councilman Eugene A. Olivier, Sr. reported on the 2023 NACo Annual Conference which he attended July 20th-24th in Travis County, Austin, Texas.

PARISH PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Chief Administrative Officer Milton Belanger, III, announced that they are still working on the design of the Mullins Road Bridge.
2. CAO Belanger stated that the Labiche Road Survey is completed and the design is 40% completed.
3. CAO Belanger stated that Vida Shaw Field Survey work is completed the engineers are drafting the Hydraulic Survey.
4. CAO Belanger stated that asphalt was laid on Labit Road and they are now waiting on the stripping to be done.
5. CAO Belanger announced that the Litter Abatement Program picked up 41 bags of trash and tires on Admiral Doyle between Landry Drive and La. 88.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

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

1. Mr. Eugene A. Olivier, Sr. requested that Resolution Summary No. 138 be removed from the Consent Agenda for more discussion.
2. Mr. Paul G. Landry, requested that Resolution Summary No. 139 be removed from the Consent Agenda for more discussion and updated information from Administration.

Hearing no further requests for removal of items, a motion was made by Mr. Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., seconded by Mr. Lloyd Brown, that the following be adopted:

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of July 12, 2023

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-140

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2023 DRUG COURT FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$224,625 TO RECOGNIZE FY 2023-2024 GRANT AWARD FROM LA SUPREME COURT. TOTAL GRANT AWARD IS \$456,000 FOR EXPENDITURES INCURRED FROM JULY 2023 TO JUNE 2024 PROGRAM YEAR. THE REMAINDER OF FUNDING WILL BE RECOGNIZED IN FY 2024.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2023 Drug Court Fund Budget in the amount of \$224,625 to recognize FY 2023-2024 grant award from LA Supreme Court. Total grant award is \$456,000 for expenditures incurred from July 2023 to June 2024 program year. The remainder of funding will be recognized in FY 2024.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2023 Drug Court Fund Budget in the amount of \$224,625 to recognize said funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2023 Drug Court Fund Budget in the amount of \$224,625 to recognize FY 2023-2024 grant award from LA Supreme Court. Total grant award is \$456,000 for expenditures incurred from July 2023 to June 2024 program year. The remainder of funding will be recognized in FY 2024, as follows:

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<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
431000 0000 0059 0000	Federal - TANF	\$16,800	\$15,960
434004 0000 0060 0000	State - Non TANF	\$221,050	\$212,040
	Total Revenues	\$237,850	\$228,000
511000 4140 0061 0000	Personal Services	\$38,636	\$38,635
521000 4140 0061 0000	Group Insurance	\$5,118	\$4,749
522100 4140 0061 0000	Medicare	\$559	\$560
523000 4140 0061 0000	Parochial Retirement	\$4,443	\$4,443
526000 4140 0061 0000	Workers Comp	\$76	\$70
511000 4140 0062 0000	Personal Services	\$68,140	\$67,141
521000 4140 0062 0000	Group Insurance	\$14,909	\$14,247
522100 4140 0062 0000	Medicare	\$988	\$974
523000 4140 0062 0000	Parochial Retirement	\$7,836	\$7,721
526000 4140 0062 0000	Workers Compensation	\$1,069	\$255
533000 4140 0062 0000	Professional Svcs	\$35,624	\$30,500
533200 4140 0063 0000	Lab Testing Svcs	\$10,000	\$6,615
543200 4140 0064 0000	R/M - Equip	\$4,000	\$4,000
543300 4140 0064 0000	R/M - Vehicles	\$500	\$500
544100 4140 0064 0000	Rental-Land/Bldg	\$24,000	\$21,000
544200 4140 0064 0000	Rental-Equipment-Veh	-0-	\$4,150
552000 4140 0064 0000	Insurance	\$8,000	\$7,000
553000 4140 0064 0000	Communications	\$3,250	\$2,500
554000 4140 0064 0000	Adv, Dues, Subs	\$136	\$500
561000 4140 0064 0000	Supplies and Postage	\$1,000	\$1,000
561100 4140 0064 0000	Medical Supplies	\$500	\$250
561900 4140 0064 0000	Other Supplies	\$500	\$250
562000 4140 0064 0000	Utilities	\$4,000	\$3,000
533000 4140 0065 0000	Professional Svcs	\$815	\$2,150
533500 4140 0065 0000	Indirect Cost All	\$3,750	\$375
574100 4140 0066 0000	Equip & Furniture	-0-	\$500
558000 4140 0067 0000	Travel and Training	-0-	\$1,540
	Total Expenditures	\$237,849	\$224,625

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said amount shall have 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.

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-141

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT FOR A GRANT UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING FTA PROGRAMS MANAGED THROUGH LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT. (SMILE OPERATING)

49 CFR 5311, Formula Grant for Rural Areas

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation and Development is authorized to make grants for mass transportation projects;

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provisions by it of the local share of project costs;

WHEREAS, it is required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in accord with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the Applicant that minority business enterprise be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and that definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority businesses shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment, or consultant and other services:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Iberia Parish Government:

1. That the Parish President is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Iberia Parish Government with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, to aid in the financing of operating and/or capital assistance projects pursuant to FTA transit programs.
2. That the Parish President is authorized to execute and file with such applications an assurance or any other document required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.
3. That the Parish President is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development may require in connection with the application or financial reimbursement of the project.
4. That the Parish President is authorized to set and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.
5. That the Parish President is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of Iberia Parish Government with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for aid in the financing of the operating or capital assistance projects.
6. This resolution is applicable for a period of one year unless revoked by the governing body and copy of such revocation shall be furnished to the DOTD.

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.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-142

A RESOLUTION AMENDING 2023 ROYALTY FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$465,000 TO APPROPRIATE GOMESA FUNDING TO THE JEFFERSON CANAL SOUTH WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE PROJECT.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend 2023 Royalty Fund Budget in the amount of \$465,000 to appropriate GOMESA funding to the Jefferson Canal South Water Control Structure Project. This

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amount plus the CPRA funding will be sufficient to award the construction contract based on the bids received; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2023 Royalty Fund Budget in the net amount of \$465,000 to appropriate expenditures for said project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend 2023 Royalty Fund Budget in the amount of \$465,000 to appropriate GOMESA funding to the Jefferson Canal South Water Control Structure Project. This amount plus the CPRA funding will be sufficient to award the construction contract based on the bids received the project and appropriate expenditures for said project as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
575000 3200 0000 1029	Contract payments	\$1,750,690	(\$465,000)
575000 3200 0000 1064	Contract payments	-0-	\$465,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Expenditures are fully reimbursable; therefore, there is 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.

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-143

A RESOLUTION DECLARING VARIOUS FUEL TANKS AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OF SAME IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARISH POLICY AND STATE LAW, AS REQUESTED BY THE IBERIA PARISH AIRPORT AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Airport Authority has expressed a desire to declare various equipment as surplus property in order that said equipment may be disposed of accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby declare the following equipment as surplus property, as requested by the Iberia Parish Airport Authority, as follows:

<u>IDENTIFICATION</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>REASON</u>
N/A	Tank 2-6K Jet Fuel	Obsolete
N/A	Tank 3-6K Jet Fuel	Obsolete
N/A	Tank 4-6K Jet Fuel	Obsolete
N/A	Tank 5-10K AvGas Fuel	Obsolete

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby authorize the disposal of said property, all in accordance with Parish policy and State laws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Parish President M. Larry Richard is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents to dispose said equipment.

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.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-144

A RESOLUTION GRANTING SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION TO THE JEFFERSON CANAL NORTH WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE, ALL AS COMPLETED BY SOUTHERN CONSTRUCTION, LLC, AND AS RECOMMENDED BY ROYAL ENGINEERS AND CONSULTANTS, LLC.

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Government has contracted with Southern Constructors, LLC. as recommended by Royal Engineers and Consultants, LLC, for the Jefferson Canal North Water Control Structure; and

WHEREAS, Southern Constructors, LLC. has completed work in accordance with the base bid relating to the Jefferson Canal North Water Structure; and

WHEREAS, Royal Engineers and Consultants, LLC. has reviewed said project as completed and is recommending that Substantial Completion be granted to the Jefferson Canal North Water Structure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby grant Substantial Completion to the Jefferson Canal North Water Control Structure, all as completed by Southern Constructors, LLC, and as recommended by Royal Engineers and Consultants, LLC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Parish President M. Larry Richard is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents to authorize said Substantial Completion to the Jefferson Canal North Water Structure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be recorded in the Official Records of Iberia Parish.

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.

These items 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., Natalie Broussard, Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., Lady Fontenette Brown, Scott Saunier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Brian P. Napier.

And these items were declared adopted this 26th day of July, 2023.

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A motion was made by Mr. Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., seconded unanimously by Meses. Natalie Broussard and Lady Fontenette Brown and Messrs. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Scott Saunier, and Chad Maturin, that the following be adopted:

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-138

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION AND CONGRATULATIONS TO MS. KATHY MILES, DIRECTOR OF THE IBERIA PARISH LIBRARIES, UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE PARISH WITH THIRTY-SIX YEARS OF SERVICE.

WHEREAS, Ms. Kathy Miles, Director of the Iberia Parish Libraries, has worked with the Iberia Parish Libraries providing thirty-six years of service; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kathy Miles served the citizens of Iberia Parish and the surrounding areas promoting the Parish as Director of Iberia Parish Libraries under the guidance of the Iberia Parish Library Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby express its appreciation to Ms. Kathy Miles, for her thirty-six years of public service to Iberia Parish.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby congratulate Ms. Kathy Miles on her recent retirement and wish her the best in her retirement.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approved 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., Natalie Broussard, Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., Lady Fontenette Brown, Scott Saunier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Brian P. Napier.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 26th day of July, 2023.



A motion was made by Paul G. Landry, seconded by Mr. Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-139

A RESOLUTION AMENDING 2023 ROYALTY FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$308,000 TO ACCEPT FEMA FUNDING FROM STATE - GOHSEP FOR THE BAYOU PARC PERDUE REGIONAL DETENTION FACILITY FOR PHASE I ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROJECT AND APPROPRIATE EXPENDITURES FOR SAID PROJECT.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend 2023 Royalty Fund Budget in the amount of \$308,000 to accept FEMA funding from State - GOHSEP for the Bayou Parc Perdue Regional Detention Facility for Phase I activities associated with the project and appropriate expenditures for said project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2023 Royalty Fund Budget in the net amount of \$308,000 to appropriate expenditures for said project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend 2023 Royalty Fund Budget in the amount of \$308,000 to accept FEMA funding from State - GOHSEP for the Bayou Parc Perdue Regional Detention Facility for Phase I activities associated with the project and appropriate expenditures for said project as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
431000 3200 0000 1101	CPRA-Jefferson Canal Water Struct	-0-	\$308,000
533100 3200 0000 1101	Arch/engr services	-0-	\$308,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that expenditures are fully reimbursable; therefore, there is 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.

These items 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., Natalie Broussard, Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., Lady Fontenette Brown, Scott Saunier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Brian P. Napier.

And these items were declared adopted this 26th day of July, 2023.

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## ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

SUMMARY NO. 5252 (Introduced by Regional Planning Commission)  
An Ordinance approving the reclassification request for the property of Roger Duncan, located on Oliva Road, New Iberia, LA from C-2 (Commercial) to R-4(Manufactured Home), located in District 14, subject to compliance with Zoning Commission Staff Report ZC2023-0005, all as reviewed and recommended by the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission.

SUMMARY NO. 5253 (Introduced by Regional Planning Commission)  
An Ordinance granting a variance to the property located at 5106 Highway 14 in District 13, for the installation of a Muno Pole Billboard on .520 acres tract, subject to compliance with Zoning Commission Staff Report ZC2023-0006, all as reviewed and recommended by the Iberia Parish Regional Planning Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. James P. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, 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., Natalie Broussard, Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Eugene A. Olivier, Sr., Lady Fontenette Brown, Scott Saunier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Brian P. Napier.

And the motion was declared adopted this 26th day of July, 2023.

Chairman Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. then declared the meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:

  
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Administrative Secretary