

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
THE ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL OF THE
PARISH OF ST. MARY, STATE OF LOUISIANA

JANUARY 24, 2018
FRANKLIN, LOUISIANA

The St. Mary Parish Council met on this date in Regular Session with Chairman Kevin Voisin presiding and the following members present: Rev. Craig Mathews, J Ina, Dale Rogers, Glen Hidalgo, Patrick Hebert, James Bennett, Paul P. Naquin, Jr., and Gabriel Beadle. Absent were Ken Singleton and Sterling Fryou.

The Invocation was pronounced by Mr. Rogers and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hidalgo.

Mr. Naquin moved that the reading of the minutes of the First Regular Meeting, January 10, 2018, be dispensed with and that the same be approved. Mr. Rogers seconded the motion, which carried.

Carl J. Thorton appeared before the Council to announce his candidacy for the upcoming Special Election for St. Mary Parish Sheriff.

Tammy Rogers, 404 Ida Street, Franklin, Louisiana appeared before the board to inform that Chez Hope, Inc. along with several St. Mary Parish students will hold a candle light vigil/balloon release in recognition of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month on February 1, 2018 at Franklin High School at 6:00 p.m. and also on February 5, 2018 at Bayou Vista Community Center at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Rogers informed that since the beginning of the 2017 school year, they have educated 1,565 students on the "Hands are not for Hitting" presentation; 2,017 students on the "Bully Free" presentation and 267 students on teen dating violence.

Mrs. Rogers also informed that 18 families were adopted for Christmas in St. Mary Parish.

Several Councilmen commended Mrs. Rogers and her group on educating students and stated that an anti-bullying campaign involving organizations like Chez Hope needs to be in place in all St. Mary Parish Schools.

Cherise Picard, Chez Hope, stated that there are funds/grants that are available. It is a matter of contacting organizations to discuss moving forward.

Rev. Mathews asked to be informed of the meeting date.

Eugene Foulcard, 203 Foster Street, Franklin, Louisiana appeared before the Council to announce his candidacy for the upcoming Mayor's election for the City of Franklin.

Mr. Voisin acknowledged Baldwin Alderman, Mr. Herbert Bell in the audience.

Parish President, David Hanagriff, informed that the Chamber of Commerce's Annual Banquet will be held on January 25, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Cypress Bayou Casino, the senior luncheon will be held on January 25, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Franklin Recreation Center, and the Council of Governments meeting will be held on January 29, 2018 at The Forest Restaurant in Franklin.

Mr. Hanagriff reported on water issues with the Town of Baldwin due to the hard freeze event of 2018.

Mr. Hanagriff introduced Public Works Director, Mr. Jean Paul Bourg.

Mr. Bourg stated that he appreciates the opportunity to work with St. Mary Parish and members of the Council and stated that he previously worked in the Public Works Department and

Mosquito Control for the City of Morgan City. Mr. Bourg looks forward to working with the Council in the future.

In response to Mr. Ina's inquiry, Mr. Voisin called a Special Meeting to be held on February 28, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. to address changes to be made to the Home Rule Charter.

Chief Administrative Officer, Henry "Bo" LaGrange, presented his report for a two (2) week period ending January 24, 2018. (All items in Mr. LaGrange's report are informational.)

In response to Mr. Rogers' inquiry concerning the proposed issuance of bonds for road improvements, Mr. Lagrange stated that he anticipates preliminary resolutions regarding the proposed bonds will be placed on February's agenda.

In response to Rev. Mathews' inquiry, Mr. Lagrange stated that the engineering study should be completed by mid-February.

Mr. Beadle moved that the Public Hearing Report, January 10, 2018 be approved. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried.

Mr. Naquin moved that the following Resolutions be adopted. Mr. Beadle seconded the motion, which carried by the following 9-0-0-2 Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Rev. Mathews, Messrs. Ina, Rogers, Hidalgo, Hebert, Bennett, Naquin, Beadle, and Voisin

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Messrs. Singleton and Fryou

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Mary Parish Council does hereby adopt and approve the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for St. Mary Parish Section 8 Program as completed for year ending September 30, 2017.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 24th day of January 2018.

APPROVED:

**KEVIN VOISIN, CHAIRMAN
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

ATTEST:

**LISA C. MORGAN, CLERK
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Mary Parish Council does hereby adopt and approve the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for St. Mary Parish as completed for year ending December 31, 2017.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 24th day of January 2018.

APPROVED:

**KEVIN VOISIN, CHAIRMAN
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

ATTEST:

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In response to Rev. Mathews' inquiry, Mr. LaGrange stated that he can provide a copy of the annual plan for St. Mary Parish Section 8 Program.

Director of Finance, Paul Governale, explained that the annual compliance questionnaire is a standard form that is required by the legislative auditor to be completed by the Parish and provided to our auditor. It pertains to accounting procedures, purchase orders, and bonds issued.

Mr. LaGrange explained that the Section 8 Annual plan must comply with HUD requirements.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Request from Lisa Schilling, Executive Director, South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority to appoint a Board Member to represent St. Mary Parish. The Board Member shall be someone from the medical field, judicial system or law enforcement.

Mr. Beadle moved that James Bennett be appointed to South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority Board to represent St. Mary Parish. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Jason J. Liccardi, Owner of SMCA, LLC dba The Platform Men's Club located at 9699 Highway 182 East, Amelia, LA requests a residency variance to obtain a 2018 Full Liquor Permit.

Mr. Naquin moved to grant the residency variance for SMCA, LLC dba The Platform Men's Club located at 9699 Highway 182 East, Amelia, LA. Mr. Beadle seconded the motion, which carried. Rev. Mathews abstained. Messrs. Ina and Rogers voted no.

- B. Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

St. Joseph Recreation Park Advisory Committee – 2 Vacancies

Granderson Hamilton – Present Member

Annie K. Boyd

Mr. Ina moved that Granderson Hamilton be reappointed and Annie K. Boyd be appointed to the St. Joseph Recreation Park Advisory Committee Board of Commission. Rev. Mathews seconded the motion, which carried.

Mosquito Control District No. 1 (Cypremort Point area) – 1 Vacancy

Theresa S. Trosclair

Mr. Rogers moved that Theresa S. Trosclair be appointed to the Mosquito Control District No. 1 Board of Commission. Mr. Naquin seconded the motion, which carried.

Sewerage District No. 11 (Cypremort Point area) – 1 Vacancy

Theresa S. Trosclair

Mr. Rogers moved that Theresa S. Trosclair be appointed to the Sewer District No. 11 Board of Commission. Mr. Naquin seconded the motion, which carried.

Recreation District No. 6 (Baldwin, Jeanerette, and Charenton area) – 1 Vacancy

No applications received.

Water & Sewer Commission No. 1 (Amelia/Siracusa area) – 5 Vacancies

Roland Verret – Present Member

Donald Patureau – Present Member

Lisa Morgan, Clerk, stated that a late application was received from Alvin Wilkerson.

Mr. Voisin requested to place this item on the next Parish Council’s Meeting Agenda on February 14, 2018.

Mr. Naquin moved that Roland Verret and Donald Patureau be reappointed to the Water & Sewer Commission No. 1 Committee Board of Commission. Mr. Beadle seconded the motion, which carried.

Water & Sewer Commission No. 2 (Bayou Vista area) – 1 Vacancy

N. A. Tony Hensgens, Jr. – Present Member

Mr. Hidalgo moved that N. A. Tony Hensgens, Jr. be reappointed to the Water & Sewer Commission No. 2 Board of Commission. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried.

Water & Sewer Commission No. 4 (Chatsworth, St. Joseph, Irish Bend, Yokely, Sorrell, Websterville, Charenton, and St. Peter Street areas) – 2 Vacancies

Camile J. Punch – Present Member
Chad Gianfala

Herbert Bell – Present Member

Mr. Naquin moved that Camille J. Punch and Herbert Bell be reappointed to the Water & Sewer Commission No. 4 Board of Commission. Mr. Ina seconded the motion, which carried.

C. Councilman Beadle’s letter to the St. Mary Parish Council.

Mr. Voisin stated that Item 15 C, “Councilman Beadle’s letter to the St. Mary Parish Council” has been deleted from the agenda.

There being no further business, Mr. Beadle moved for adjournment. Mr. Rogers seconded the motion, which carried.