

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 27th, 2013
CHAIR JACLYN HOTARD
VICE CHAIR LENNIX MADERE

The Council of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session in the Joel McTopy Chambers, LaPlace, Louisiana on Tuesday, August 27th, 2013, at 6:30 PM.

CALL TO ORDER:

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Lennix Madere, Councilman District III, Larry Snyder, Councilman District VI, Michael Wright, Councilman District V, Art Smith, Councilman, District I, Marvin Perrilloux, Councilman District IV, Lucien Gauff, Councilman-at-Large, Div. A, Ranney Wilson, Councilman District II

ABSENT: Jaclyn Hotard and Cheryl Millet

Councilman Wright led the Prayer. Councilman Perrilloux led the Pledge.

Legal Counsel Jeff Perilloux, Carl Butler and Billy O'Regan were present.

Consent Agenda

Items: Approval of Minutes - August 13th, 2013, Regular Meeting; Permit Approval - Labor Day Block Party - Williamsburg - 9/2/13; Permit Approval - St. John Andouille Festival - 10/18,19,20/13.

MOTION: Councilman Gauff moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of Approval of Minutes - August 13th, 2013, Regular Meeting; Permit Approval - Labor Day Block Party - Williamsburg - 9/2/13; Permit Approval - St. John Andouille Festival - 10/18,19,20/13. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

Councilman Wright stated, *"At this time I would like to ask for a motion to suspend the rules to move up Natalie Robottom - Resolution R13-32 to allow Mr. Hugh to give his presentation."*

MOTION: Councilman Gauff moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to suspend the rules to move up Resolution R13-32. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard and Millet absent.

Natalie Robottom - Resolution - R13-32 - A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of bonds therein; making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith; and providing for other matters in connection therewith

Natalie Robottom stated, *"A few meetings ago we announced that the*

council was considering a resolution for a 30 million dollar bond issue with it being proposed to continue to address some of our capital projects in the area. This has been made possible through management of the finances in the parish, through good audits which increase our bond ratings as well as some refinancing of debt that lowered our debt payment and paying off some of the debt that has freed up about 30 million dollars that would be at no additional taxes or cost to the resident it would be bonding out future dollars. Obviously we have great needs in facilities, drainage and levee we need some additional waterworks and recreation and some improvements to our roads and bridges and equipment so those are the kind of items that typically we include in our bond issue. There are a few new changes with regards to the timeline which is why we have done it the way we have and what we have is Jason who will explain a little more about that future timeline and why it is necessary to move in the way that we are moving."

Jason Ackers, Bond Counsel, stated, "The resolution before you calls for the election to be called on Saturday, November 16th, 2013. The timeline that the president was speaking of indicates some changes that legislatively have happened over the past legislative session where we have actually had to publish notice of the intent to call the election prior to you adopting this resolution and that actually took place and we have complied with the new act. From this point, with your approval we will go to the state bond commission and the secretary of state and have everything ready to go and come up for the election on November 16th, 2013. It requires just a simple majority of those voting in favor to authorize the issuance of bonds. The plan is to actually issue them over two series over the next two years with the initial roll out being approximately 20 million sometime around the spring of 2014 and the second issue being another 10 million coming sometime after that either late in 2014 or early 2015 depending on a number of different factors. I will be glad to answer any questions that you may have. We are following the form that has been used in the parish in prior elections from 2008, 2009 and even going back further than that so this is the reason that the proposition looks the way it does it was divided into a number of different purposes there."

Councilman Snyder asked, "You said there are no new taxes?"

Jason Ackers stated, "This is continuing the tax levy that currently exist for the general obligation bonds and the proposition very specifically states that there is no increase in taxes over the amount currently being levied."

Councilman Snyder asked, "And there aren't any taxes that we are continuing?"

Jason Ackers stated, "There are taxes being levied within the parish for geo bonds that go out to approximately 2027 or 2028 forgive me I don't know the exact date. This is at most the continuance of another 4-5 years over that."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Okay this is what I am saying the last time we had this we were asked that if we don't pass this will our taxes drop? I said yes because it was but we were voting for mills that were already there but it was going to drop because we were paying off something I can't remember exactly what it was now this isn't one of

those things I am asking now is that if we don't pass this or if this bond doesn't pass then nobodies taxes will increase but the taxes won't be decreased either. We will still be paying the same amount of taxes that we are paying now with the millage that we have now?"

Jason Ackers stated, "The taxes that you have now 12.5 mills would be continued for the foreseeable future eventually if you never went out for another election and you had bonds that paid off there would have to be a decrease but we couldn't tell you exactly when that would happen."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Okay no problem I just wanted to get that clear because there was a lot of discussion around that at the past election for recreation and things of that matter and there was a lot of discussion around that and people said we were raising their taxes and we didn't raise taxes we just didn't cut them."

MOTION: Councilman Snyder moved and Councilman Gauff seconded the motion to approve Resolution - R13-32 - A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of bonds therein; making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES:

13-21 (Tabled 8-13-13) An ordinance for the 2013 millages (N. Robottom)

The administration request that this item remain tabled.

13-27 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance amending Section 14-6-Animals, Fees (1)C and D as follows: by amending (1)C. to read: "(1)C. Cats - \$80.00 (includes vaccinations, rabies shot and micro-chipping)." And by eliminating Section (1)D. (N. Robottom)

Councilman Snyder asked, "What is happening here? What is this? What are we really doing because I don't quite understand this before I vote?"

Jobe' Boucvalt, Director of EOC, stated, "I have Rachel Sance with us the shelter manager and I will let her explain the ordinance."

Rachel Sance, Animal Shelter Manager, stated, "Basically what we are trying to do is reduce the fees because the other area shelters are much lower than ours and we are hoping to be able to increase our adoption over all with the cats and kittens. We are good on dog adoptions but our cat adoptions are low so we thought by lowering the fee so that we can compete with the local shelters we would be able to increase adoptions."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Good thank you."

MOTION: Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 13-27. The motion passed with Councilwomen

Hotard and Millet absent.

13-28 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance to provide that any salary increases for Directors and/or non-classified employees, and any other employee(s) not referenced in Ordinance MM1-77, adopted December 11, 2001, must be specifically approved by majority vote of the Parish Council and not simply through adoption of the annual Parish budget. (L. Snyder)

MOTION: Councilman Snyder moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to table Ordinance 13-28. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

13-29 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance granting approval to further extend the valid period of time of Conditional Subdivision Approval for an additional twelve (12) months for Belle Terre Commercial Subdivision, Phase 1, Parcel A, Lots 1-13, Parcel B, Lots 1-22, Parcel C, Lots 2-9, Parcel DS-4; Phase 2, Parcel B, Lots 23-49 and Parcel C, Lots 10-44 and Phase 3, Parcel D, Lots 1-39, Parcel E, Lots 1-42, Parcel DS-2 and Parcel DS-3, situated in Sections 69 and 70, T-11-S, R-7-E, Southeast District of Louisiana, east of the Mississippi River, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana (N. Robottom)

MOTION: Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Smith seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 13-29. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

13-30 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance granting approval to further extend the valid period of time of Conditional Approval for an additional twelve (12) months of River Oaks Subdivision, Phase V, Lots 205-239, 245-252, 264-282 and Parcels H-11, H-13, C & D, located south of proposed Woodland Drive right-of-way, west of Vicknair Canal, east of St. Andrews Boulevard, and north of River Oaks Subdivision, Phase II and III, in Sections 66 and 67, T-11-S, R-7-E, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana (N. Robottom)

Angelic Sutherland, Director of P&Z, stated, *"This is actually similar to the previous request conditional subdivision approvals last for a period of 12 months so if the developer is not ready at the time to move forward for whatever reason be it the economy or what have you they can actually come to the council and this has actually been done a lot in the past where they request an additional 12 month extension. You can only do it 12 months at a time and so Mr. Flynn is actually here I guess if you have any questions or additional questions about the subdivision and administration recommends approval."*

MOTION: Councilman Gauff moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 13-30. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

13-31 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance granting approval for the Parish President to transfer by sale immovable property and improvements described as Parcel 2-1, State Project No. H.008322, FAP No. H008322, LA 637: US61 Port of South Louisiana Connector, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana as shown on Sheet No. 2 of the property map prepared by Robert H. Brooks III, PLS, and Max O. Usrey III PLS

dated March 29, 2012, revised January 16, 2013, more fully set forth on the Sale and map attached hereto, to Department of Transportation and Development, State of Louisiana, for the price and sum of \$39,320.00 of which \$4,421.00 constitutes payment for damage and diminution of value of Vendor's remaining property, and to execute the Sale and all other documents necessary for the Parish of St. John the Baptist to convey title to the property (N. Robottom)

Natalie Robottom stated, *"This is regarding the W. 10th widening project in Reserve and it involves the Reserve Library property in order to widen and make the improvements on W. 10th. DOTD is purchasing some of the additional property that they need on both sides and they had two appraisals for the value of the strip of property which is not very large but that they are purchasing and they also presented I guess damages or cost for damages for having to move a parking space or move the curbing. We had our parish engineer review those cost estimates and he felt they were very generous. The library board has already approved this agreement and of course because we are the governing authority that controls that property it is necessary for the council to approve it but it is part of the W. 10th widening project."*

Councilman Perrilloux asked, *"Mrs. Robottom you just said the library disapproved?"*

Natalie Robottom stated, *"No they approved it. It has been approved by the library board."*

Councilman Perrilloux asked, *"And we are going to take up some parking spaces?"*

Natalie Robottom stated, *"There is one parking spot that needs to be narrowed at the library however Mr. DeSoto has already been in conversations with the neighboring property owner and utilizing some of the funds. We think parking there is already problematic so we wanted to look at a partnership or some type of agreement with the club next door so they have already started those conversations."*

MOTION: Councilman Snyder moved and Councilman Gauff seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 13-31. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Smith stated, *"I would like to ask that the council make a motion on my behalf to ratify the actions taken at the Finance Meeting."*

MOTION: Councilman Gauff moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to accept the recommendations of the finance committee. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

DEPARTMENT/ENGINEER REPORTS:

Torri Buckles, Director of Economic Development, stated, *"I would like to quickly give an update our business training center opened last Thursday with our ribbon cutting and we have our first training seminar"*

that is scheduled for tomorrow and I wanted to quickly go through all of the seminars that are scheduled through October. The first one tomorrow is could your business survive a disaster from 4:30 PM until 6:30 PM, on September 11th for those businesses interested in marketing we have a seminar called marketing secrets that will increase your sales from 4:30 PM until 6:30 PM. One of my personal favorites that I have attended several times is called show me the money it is an access and capital forum and defines traditional and non-traditional methods of financing for your business that is on the 25th of September at the same time 4:30 PM until 6:30 PM. On October 9th we have starting and financing a small business. So for those particularly that are interested in starting a small business that is a seminar that you will want to attend and again at the same time 4:30 PM until 6:30 PM and finally on October 30th five steps to secure financing. All of these seminars will take place at the business training center tentatively all of them will be scheduled on Wednesdays. If you are interested in one on one counseling you can contact the business center at 985-479-1247 to schedule a one on one appointment with a representative from the LSBTC. Also I would like to give a quick update on the Andouille Festival the planning is moving full speed ahead after a one year hiatus from last year we are very excited that the plans for the festival are moving and we are very excited about the lineup. I am getting hungry everyday as the food vendor applications came in. The only thing I regret is that we didn't require samples of the food. I am also excited about the craft vendors because we have some really talented people here in St. John Parish so seeing the photos of items that they wish to sell during the festival it is really going to be a great time for the parish. The festival is scheduled for October 18th, 19th and 20th. The food vendors have closed we received 21 admissions and will be reviewing those within the next week and all of the vendors will be alerted by October 5th of which items they will be selling. We have extended the craft vendors. Our goal is to have 30 craft vendors. So far we have about 14. So if you are a craft vendor or if you have a skill with a craft please contact the Economic Development Department or you can visit Andouillefestival.com and download the application and we have extended that until September 6th. So again if you are a craft vendor and you are interested in having a booth at the Andouille Festival we have extended that until September 6th. Also our business community has been asking us how can they help us with the Andouille Festival you can help us by both your monetary donation as well as your in kind donations. We have a form that we are going to be sending out to all of the business in the parish and they should get that in the mail by Tuesday or Wednesday it is going to have both posters, an 11X17 poster, and we are going to ask that you hang this in your business or office to help promote the festival for us. Also it is going to have a sponsorship package that starts as low as \$250.00 or you can be a friend of the festival and it goes up. So if you have a monetary donation that you would like to make or if you have an in kind donation that you would like to make please support the Andouille Festival we need your help."

Councilman Wilson asked, "How much is the craft booth?"

Torri Buckles stated, "The craft vendors are \$175.00 and that is for a 10X10 booth."

Councilman Perrilloux asked, "Have we come up with a POP for the three

day event, pay one price for the kids?"

Torri Buckles stated, "We have an I apologize I did not bring that with me we just made the final negotiations with the ride vendor and I would also like to announce that Friday we have worked out a special promotion just for St. John schools. Friday night is St. John school night and the vendor is giving us one free ride per student and he is also giving one free item from his concession stand so we haven't quite figured out if that is going to be popcorn or something of that sort but again we really are committed to making sure that we support all of our local businesses, our local schools and our non-profits so that is one way that we were trying to get it. We will make sure that all of that information is posted on line early next week."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Have we secured all of the entertainment yet?"

Torri Buckles stated, "Actually we have one spot open I am glad you asked me about that.."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Because I know how to dance if you need me."

Torri Buckles stated, "We do have one opening and I purposefully have left that open because we are trying to find a local and when we say local we mean a St. John proper band. It is for Saturday morning from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM and the reason we have that spot open is because usually changing times opens with the Andouille run and we are moving the Andouille run until Sunday, per their request, so we now have that spot open and we are trying to find a local St. John proper band. So if you know someone or if someone is watching if you are a local band please make contact with my office my number is 985-652-9569 or you can email me at t.buckles@sjbparish.com send me samples of your music and we will go from there."

Councilman Madere asked, "I know you asked for monitory donation are we seeking out any sponsors like Coca-Cola or Nike or people who like to give away their money?"

Torri Buckles stated, "We welcome all sponsors by name specifically no we have not reached out to them but again if you are a business, particularly a corporate owned business and if you are interested in sponsoring the festival we do have some information with regards to the return that you would get for your sponsorship dollars because it all comes down to the number of attendees and the impact that your brand would have in those that would be in attendance but we are seeking sponsors."

Councilman Madere stated, "I do believe that next year we might have to go out and really reach out to the big buck spenders like Nike, Mr. Benson and some of those people to help us out."

Torri Buckles stated, "A few of the teams actually have been in contact with us particularly as it relates to the children's tent typically they like to bring their mascots and what have you and that is at no cost to the parish it is simply an opportunity to promote their brand so they have reached out to us."

Councilman Madere stated, "Okay and please book Mr. Snyder he is pretty good."

Councilman Wilson asked, "You said the vendor booths are 10X10?"

Torri Buckles stated, "We actually are having all of our craft vendors under one large tent this year and they can elect to have a 10X10 booth space or a 20X20 booth space. If it is 10X20 then it is double the registration fee and the reason why we did that is because craft vendors have told us the challenge at night is when it gets dark so it is more expensive for us to have to try to run electrical to each one of the individual tents or tables as opposed to having one single structure and also what that tent is going to provide is that in the event of bad weather it still would provide additional area for people to go in the event that it rains so it is one covered area with all of the vendors."

Jaclyn Hotard - Street lights

This item will be carried over to the next council meeting.

Marvin Perrilloux/Jaclyn Hotard - Hwy. 51 Park fence repair

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "I spoke with Mr. Vincent and the project manager Mrs. Poche and I am satisfied."

Larry Snyder - Garbage cans for elderly and handicap

Councilman Snyder stated, "I met with the administration and Mrs. Robottom is going to just speak about it a little bit."

Natalie Robottom stated, "There is actually language in the current contract with our provider in Section 3.02 that requires the vendor to work with individuals who are disabled or handicapped that process has been working the individual contacts progressive and it is the same numbers that we just sent out and provides information from a physician or if they are already handicap with a sticker or license then the workers with the garbage company actually go and get the garbage can and bring it out empties it and returns it but it must have a sticker on it so that they can see it from the road and they actually go out and get that. Again it has been awhile since Progressive has monitored that we have increased significantly in that number and periodically they will do an audit to make sure that the individuals who actually live there initially are still there but that process is already in place and we encourage anyone who is having that problem to give Progressive a call and they can work with them on that."

Larry Snyder - Developmental plans for the West Bank

Councilman Snyder stated, "I want to scratch that item."

OLD BUSINESS:

Ranney Wilson - Drainage and Drainage equipment

Councilman Wilson stated, "I want to carry this item over again."

NEW BUSINESS:

Larry Snyder - Economic Development Committee request

Natalie Robottom stated, "I think at the request of legal counsel we are going to ask to table or remove this for right now while we work out the legalities for reducing fees."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Just remove it."

Lucien Gauff - Discussion relative to CDBG funding

Councilman Gauff stated, "Actually I put this on here to open up some sort of discourse with administration which they have filled me in. I was approached and talked to by some of the school board members to give some information about this to my dismay I don't see a school board member here to receive this information so I am not very pleased about that, I will say that. Administration did their due diligence and gave me the same report that I had gotten one on one with them and I think they have shared that with the rest of the council and we will be willing to share that information with the public at any time but right now I am good with it and I don't want to discuss it."

Stacey Cador/Paige Falgoust - Authorization to approve the Employee Social Media Policy

Paige Falgoust, Public Information Officer, stated, "With increased use of social media, a policy was drafted to establish guidelines for use by employees and parish computers. The policy was approved by the Civil Service Board at the August 7, 2013 meeting and Administration requests Council approval."

Councilman Perrilloux asked, "The social media is that for employees to go on Facebook and Twitter and all that kind of stuff?"

Paige Falgoust stated, "Yes it does address that and we have an IT policy that addresses going onto the site and other internet sites during work hours. The social media policy addresses that as well as the type of content that is posted on social media sites and as well as our social media site. There are many businesses and organizations that are moving to communicating through social media that is a way how our residents communicate with us. So through the implementation of all of that in our organization we want to have a policy that backs up how we use it and as well as how our parish employees use it."

Councilman Perrilloux asked, "You said the civil service board approved it. Do we have a copy of that we can look at and read?"

Paige Falgoust stated, "It is in your book."

Councilman Snyder asked, "The council has to approve this why? Is it our document or is it an administrative document?"

Paige Falgoust stated, "It is a document that the administration will enforce."

Stacey Cador stated, "Councilman Snyder over the years whenever there has been an organizational wide policy that applies discipline to employees we have taken the measure to the civil service board for adoption or approval and then subsequently to the council for final approval."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Okay final approval that tells me that I have some responsibility there. If I have final approval that tells me I have some responsibility."

Stacey Cador stated, "Well we administer the policy but it doesn't come to fruition until the council approves it."

Councilman Snyder stated, "On the acknowledgement for do you see how it reads on the bottom that the administration can change it any way they want after we approve it?"

Stacey Cador stated, "We would still go through the same approval process."

Councilman Snyder stated, "I am going by what they have on the bottom of the page."

Stacey Cador stated, "We reserve the right to reserve this and any policy with the intent that we do come back to the civil service board and the council for final approval."

Councilman Snyder stated, "That isn't down there."

Stacey Cador stated, "This is just for the employees."

Councilman Snyder stated, "That is exactly right and that is what they have to sign and that is why it should be there now that reads that the administration can change it or resend it in any way they want to. Read it for me."

Stacey Cador stated, "St. John the Baptist Parish administration reserves the right to resend or modify these guidelines, policies, practices or procedures as it deems necessary."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Then it would have to come back to us is what you are saying?"

Stacey Cador stated, "Yes."

Councilman Snyder stated, "You see that isn't what it is saying. I want to make sure that we understand that before it can be changed it has to come back to us for final approval like we are doing right now and it should be on there. I just don't think things should be changed in the middle of the game without coming to us for approval because that is going to govern 200 employees."

Stacey Cador stated, "Okay this is in draft form if you have some recommended language that you see on this acknowledgement page then just let us know. Like I said we don't alter the policies without coming back to the council for final approval."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Basically what I think Stacey is saying is that legislatively the council sets policy so that is why we bring it to you but we are responsible for implementing and if it is not on there it should be clear that we don't amend the policy without going back to the civil service board and the council for approval. It just lets them know that just cause it is what you are signing today doesn't mean that it will stay that way forever that it may change but we do follow the process of going to the civil service board first and then bringing it to the council."

Councilman Wright stated, "Just maybe for a point of clarification since we are adopting this maybe from legal should we put in there a stipulation deemed necessary pending council approval?"

Jeff Perilloux, Legal Counsel, stated, "If it would make the council feel better about passing it I think certainly you could add some language that would say something subject to council approval added to the language that is currently in the signature area you could add some language that simply says subject to council approval."

Councilman Wright stated, "Okay so I can make a motion just amending the policy stating at the end of the acknowledgement form under St. John the Baptist Parish administration reserves the right to resend or modify these guidelines, policies, practices or procedures as it deems necessary."

Natalie Robottom stated, "(From her seat - not at podium) We already said we would do that."

Jeff Perilloux stated, "You can ask that the language be included."

Councilman Wright stated, "Okay that is fine like I said just for clarification thank you."

MOTION: Councilman Gauff moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to grant administration authorization to approve the Employee Social Media Policy. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

There was no executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Property/Casualty Insurance Agent - 1) Claims, any/all property, casualty, and Workman comp claims 2) Claims, procedures and disposition 3) Coverage's, any/all material changes

Parish Buildings - Security

St. John the Baptist Parish vs. Roussel Welding and Metal Works, Inc., et al. Case No. 64187 Div. B

Any and all pending legal matters

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

13-32 An ordinance granting approval for a community home at 632

Magnolia Avenue, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana
(OCC-2668) (N. Robottom)

13-33 An ordinance granting approval to Re-subdivide Parcel A-1 of Glencoe Plantation into Parcels herein designated as Parcel A-1A & Parcel 1-SJBP, Glencoe Plantation, situated in Sections 61, 68 & 72, T-11-S, R-6-E, Garyville, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana (PZS-13-1065) (N. Robottom)

13-34 An ordinance granting approval to Re-subdivide a portion of Tract 1, Tract 2 & Tract 3 of Tract H and Tract G of Lacaze Plantation into lots herein designated as Lot 1A and Lot 2A of Tract H of Lacaze Plantation, situated in Sections 27 & 53, T-12-S, R-18-E, Wallace, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana (PZS-13-1067) (N. Robottom)

13-35 An ordinance granting approval to Re-subdivide the remainder of Parcel Z being a portion of Star Plantation, Reserve Plantation & Cambre Partition into Parcel Z-4 & Parcel Z-5 being a portion of Star Plantation, Reserve Plantation & Cambre Plantation, Reserve, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana (PZS-13-1068) (N. Robottom)

13-36 An ordinance amending Ordinance 08-46 Section 42-45 B2 regarding water disconnection and re-connection fees. Changing this section to read "If payment is received before 4:00 PM service personnel will be called by radio to reconnect services that day." (N. Robottom)

13-37 An ordinance to amend Chapter 14 of the St. John the Baptist Parish Code of Ordinances as follows: by adding Sec. 14-25 - Non-Sufficient Fund (NSF) Check Fees. (N. Robottom)

PRESIDENT' S REMARKS

Natalie Robottom stated, "

CORRESPONDENCE/COUNCIL BRIEFS

Councilman Smith stated, *"I would like to say happy late birthday to my daughter and thanks to my wife for taking care of me all this time and I wish WSJ, ESJ, SCC and RA have a very successful football season. This is the time of year when the kids are playing ball on Friday nights and I hope they all have a very successful season."*

Councilman Wilson stated, *"I didn't do much on the drainage tonight because I want to ask for a meeting with Mr. Nunes this week to go over some of the areas that we have serious problems in and some of them we received pictures again on tonight of some of the same things that we got pictures of a few months back. I would just like to get with Mr. Nunes this week."*

Councilman Perrilloux stated, *"I would also like to echo have a successful football season to all the schools and have a safe holiday weekend and I encourage the residents to come out to the one year anniversary Thursday at the Civic Center and for those who can't make*

it during the day they will be at New Wine for 6:30 PM. Also I would like to congratulate my daughter she competed in Cynthia Bailey's model search this week in Atlanta and she did fantastic so I would like to say congratulations to her."

Councilman Wright stated, "I just want to echo what Mrs. Robottom touched on earlier and I would like to thank all who came out and supported the St. John Relay for Life celebrity waiters and also just to add to what she said I think we also gained the respect for performers also and that is all I need to say. It was a wonderful event and we raised a lot of money so I just want to thank everyone for their support."

Councilman Snyder stated, "I would like to give my condolences to the Collin and Robisky family they both lost members and you have our condolences from the council and I just want to reiterate what Mrs. Robottom said earlier that the pool dedication was a class act and the family was overwhelmed and I want to thank Debra and Bailey for doing a great job. The place is beautiful and it looks almost perfect. They did a good job on that place. I hate to see it close. There is a football jamboree this week and it will be at WSJ and let's go and support all of our local teams that will be playing there. WSJ and ESJ will play at WSJ and SCC and RA will play at SCC and hopefully everyone will make it to the playoffs."

Councilman Gauff stated, "I would like to say thanks to administration. Mrs. Poche and I talked a little bit about the Tulane game I think that is a great opportunity for our youth to dream. I remember last year we took some kids and they stood on the Superdome floor and said I think I can go to Tulane. I can play here. Those are the dreams that we want to instill in our kids that they can succeed and that there are things out there that they can dream and strive for and succeed to get so thanks to administration and Mrs. Poche. I also would like to say good luck to the River Parish team's football is starting so hopefully we can have some state champs up here visiting us again this year and we can recognize them. I have to say today is a very special day, very sad but special, today is my Mom's Birthday and I would have to say Happy Birthday Mom, I am missing you a lot."

Councilman Madere stated, "I would like to echo everything that everyone else said tonight. I would like to also give my condolences to Mr. Robisky's family, Abraham Adam and also Dale Gaudet and for Gladys Collins those are people that passed away last week and I know their families are deeply sorry and missing them and they have my prayers to help them make it through this difficult time. Also I would like to say make sure you come out to see WSJ and ESJ and all the other teams playing in the River Parishes and I hate to say it but ESJ will get a fresh whipping. It has been a long time they said it last time but we broke their hearts now they are coming down to Ram Country so look out and everyone have a good evening."

ADJOURNMENT :

At 7:40 PM, Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Gauff seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed with Councilwomen Hotard & Millet absent.

/s/Lennix Madere
COUNCIL VICE-CHAIRMAN

/s/Jackie Landeche
Council Secretary