OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2015 CHAIRMAN MICHAEL WRIGHT VICE CHAIR MARVIN PERRILLOUX

The Council of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session in the Rudolph Soraparu Chambers, Edgard, Louisiana on Tuesday, September 8^{th} , 2015, at 6:30 PM.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ABSENT: Jaclyn Hotard

Councilman Madere led the Prayer. Councilman Wilson led the Pledge.

Legal Counsel Jeff Perilloux present.

INTRODUCTION OF BUSINESSES:

There were no businesses present.

BOARD OF REVIEW

Councilman Wright stated, "For a period of fifteen (15) days, beginning August 17, 2015 and ending August 31, 2015, this board of review has been opened to receive any written or oral complaints from taxpayers who wish to protest their assessment as determined by the assessor. Complaining taxpayers must comply with Act 705 of 1976 in order for the board of review to consider any protest."

Phillip Rebowe - (Carry Over 8-25-15) Audit Presentation

Phillip Rebowe and Becky Hammond was present and gave a brief presentation and highlighted some of the findings on the December 31, 2014 Audit for the parish.

CONSENT AGENDA:

<u>ITEMS:</u> Approval of Minutes - August 25th, 2015, Regular Meeting; Permit Approval - 5K Walk/Run - Saturday, 10/3/15 from 7:00 AM until Noon - New Wine/Promoting Health & Wellness in the Community; Permit Approval -

Middendorf's Manchac Run/Walk - Saturday, 11/14/15 from 6:30 AM until 10:45 AM

MOTION: Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Smith seconded the motion to approve the amended consent agenda items consisting of Approval of Minutes - August 25th, 2015, Regular Meeting; Permit Approval - 5K Walk/Run - Saturday, 10/3/15 from 7:00 AM until Noon - New Wine/Promoting Health & Wellness in the Community; Permit Approval - Middendorf's Manchac Run/Walk - Saturday, 11/14/15 from 6:30 AM until 10:45 AM. The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard absent.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES:

15-47 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance to adjust the annual salary of St. John the Baptist Parish Council members to \$8,657.59 in accordance with the Procedure outlined in Art. III, Sec. 2 of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter. This salary adjustment shall be effective upon the start date of the next council term of office, and corresponds to the accumulated annual CPI percentages for the previous three (3) years (L. Gauff)

Ordinance 15-47 was withdrawn by Councilman Gauff.

15-48 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, by adding a section to be numbered 1-12 that reads as follows: Sec. 1-12. - Adjudication of Code Violations (N. Robottom)

Angelic Keller stated, "This ordinance will allow code enforcement violations to be adjudicated by the Justices of the Peace as authorized by state law. Administration recommends approval."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "One question Mrs. Keller, so that would be the do process, going through the Justice of the Peace?"

Angelic Keller stated, "Yes as opposed to District Court."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "So that would save us some fees and everything going through that?"

Angelic Keller stated, "Not necessarily. In talking to Legal basically they're saying that, the District Court is supposed to be the Court of Appeals, so we are going to and there are some options we can still bring certain things to the District Court, but to get some of these I guess misdemeanor type violations moving through quicker, we can actually take those to the Justice of the Peace and have them adjudicated quicker than waiting for the District Court and their time line which is a little longer."

Councilman Perrilloux asked, "And they've all been notified they will be doing this now?"

Angelic Keller stated, "We did have a meeting, we tried to have a meetings with them, I think we had three or four of them show up, so we still need to meet with the others, but the ones that we did meet with were fine, they just wanted more information from us as far as; what violations they would be

hearing, you know providing them with information on that from the code but other than that, they were very willing to hear the code violations."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Good thank you."

Councilman Gauff stated, "I was just going to add that this is going to put some teeth into some of these ordinances and the violators of these ordinances and also, I think what needs to happen is maybe we should look at, I know you said you met with some of the JP's but since their responsibilities are increasing I think it's, I did talk to Legal a little bit about it, but maybe there's something we can look at as far as their salaries and how their, maybe they can be compensated for some of this?"

Angelic Keller stated, "Well they're still going to get compensated, because for whatever case you bring before them, the same as you bring it to District Court, the Parish doesn't pay upfront but if the defendant is found guilty or the property owner, that fee is accessed to them. So they end up having to pay the Justice of the Peace whatever their fee would be, just as anybody else would come to for an eviction or some other type of matter that you've gone to the Justice of the Peace for."

Councilman Gauff stated, "Also I would think that, whatever decision they made hopefully the DA and/or others the legal system would support them in their decision. Because otherwise there is no, there won't be any teeth in it if the DA goes against what they've ruled or how they ruled, so some sort of way you have to have some sort of backing for them also."

Angelic Keller stated, "Well the way the process work is the District Attorney historically has prosecuted the violation, so they would bring it to court. Once the court renders rather it's District Court or Justice of the Peace Court, once the court renders, that's your final decision. Unless, the defendant or the property owner appeals it to the next court. So once the JP rules, I don't necessarily know and Jeff correct if I'm wrong, I don't think that the District Attorney can over turn that or over ride that."

Councilman Gauff stated, "And that's all I'm asking for or to make sure that however they rule, they're supported or it's you know it is the law then, other than to be appealed, other than to be appealed."

Angelic Keller stated, "Yes because right now Code Enforcement, what we do is we investigate the violation, we write up the violation, we send a notice out, once it gets to the point where it needs to be prosecuted, we would send that to the District Attorney and the District Attorney prosecuted it. So now this is a whole nother process that's being created going through the Justice of the Peace, but again the Justice of the Peace order would be similar to that of the District Court Judges order unless it's appealed."

Councilman Gauff stated, "Ok and I'm in agreeance with it. I've quit a few cases lately that lack the teeth to rule on, so this process that you all have come up with, I definitely agree with and hopefully will be successful and work for us. Thank you!"

Councilman Snyder stated, "Actually Mr. Gauff said everything I wanted to say. I think this is a good ordinance, it's over due and it will help the

court system out along with helping us out. Put a little more work out on the Justice of the Peace but that's okay, they're pretty strong people and I'm just glad they came up with this and thank you very much."

Councilman Madere stated, "Yes I think this is also very good and I think Mr. Gauff said one thing but it wasn't the fact that the ordinance didn't have any bite to it, it's the fact they had to go through the court system and you had to go by their time schedule. At least the process is being sped up because the Justice of the Peace can hear these cases a lot quicker than you would go through the normal court process and also give the individual a chance to appeal, right? Okay their decision by the Justice of the Peace so I think it works out well totally you know especially in each individual District because that's going to be spread out to only Justice of the Peace right okay thank you."

Angelic Keller stated, "Correct, yes."

 $\underline{\text{MOTION:}}$ Councilman Snyder moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 15-48. The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard absent.

 $\overline{15-49}$ (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance granting approval to re-subdivide and dedicate lots J-1, J-2, J-3 and J-4 of the Joe Thomas, Jr. Subdivision, Formerly part of the Mildred and Alice Thomas Property, situated in Section 10, T-12-S, R-19-E, on Philip Court and East 7^{th} Street, Edgard, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana (PZS-15-1122) (N. Robottom)

Angelic Keller stated, "This re-subdivision was approved by the Planning Commission at their August 17, 2015 contingent upon combining two of the proposed lots and correcting the proposed unusable lot. The owner has submitted a revised plat reflecting these changes and Administration recommends approval inclusive of the modifications for lot depth."

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilman Smith moved and Councilman Gauff seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 15-49. The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard absent.

15-50 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance amending Ordinance 15-01 relative to the annual operating budget of the St. John the Baptist Parish Recreation Fund for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015 (N. Robottom)

Julie Songy stated, "Based on results of the financial audit for the 2014 calendar year and other amendments to the 2015 budget, approval of this ordinance is necessary to remain in compliance. Administration recommends approval."

MOTION: Councilwoman Millet moved and Councilman Gauff seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 15-50. The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard absent.

 $\underline{\textbf{15-51}}$ (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance amending Ordinance 15-02 relative to the annual operating budget of the St. John the Baptist Parish General Fund and Public Works Fund for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015 (N. Robottom)

Julie Songy stated, "Based on results of the financial audit for the 2014 calendar year and other amendments to the 2015 budget, approval of this ordinance is necessary to remain in compliance. Administration recommends approval."

MOTION: Councilman Snyder moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 15-51. The motion passed with 7 yeas, 1 against (Wilson) and 1 absent (Hotard).

15-52 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance amending Ordinance 14-53 relative to the annual operating budget of the St. John the Baptist Parish Airport Authority, Ambulance, Animal Shelter, ARC Maintenance, Communications District, Community Center, Criminal Court, DHHS, Economic Development, Fire Departments, Health Unit, Gustav/Ike CDBG, Hurricane Isaac, Isaac Recovery CDBG, Juvenile Detention, Parishwide Sewerage, Public Safety, Sales Tax District, Street Lights, Mosquito, Solid Waste, Senior Citizen, Wastewater, and Water System Fund for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015 (N. Robottom)

Julie Songy stated, "Based on results of the financial audit for the 2014 calendar year and other amendments to the 2015 budget, approval of this ordinance is necessary to remain in compliance. Administration recommends approval."

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Smith seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 15-52. The motion passed with 7 yeas, 1 against (Wilson) and 1 absent (Hotard).

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Millet stated, "Yes at this time I ask to make a motion to adopt the items that were approved in the finance committee meeting earlier."

MOTION: Councilwoman Millet moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the motion to accept the recommendations of the finance committee. The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Lucien Gauff - Resolution - R15-33 - A Resolution that the West Lac Des</u>

<u>Allemands Shoreline Protection Project be named "In Honor of Mr. Larry Brock"</u>

Councilman Snyder stated, "I would just like to tell Mr. Gauff this is a good resolution. I knew Larry when he first got out of college and he started working for the parish. He was very enthusiastic, I think I was, he and I got hired around the same time if I'm not mistaken. He's was very enthusiastic even strong in a sense his whole time as our Leader of Agriculture in St. John Parish so this is a good resolution. Thank you!"

Councilman Gauff stated, "When I was in 4-H many years ago, I remember him as a very good leader and he taught us a lot and just added a lot of value to the Pleasure Bend area and knowing how much he loved that area, this Resolution is a pleasure to do and in contacting his family and friends also, people that worked with him, they felt the same way, so thank you and

hopefully we'll get it approved and I'll say thank you again, but thanks!"

Councilman Wilson stated, "Larry Brock was a good man and he did work hard in his duties and I said that when I took office the first time in 1984 but he was there and stayed up on things. He was a very good guy. Thank you."

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilman Gauff moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the motion to accept Resolution R15-33. A Resolution that the West Lac Des Allemands Shoreline Protection Project be named "In Honor of Mr. Larry Brock". The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard absent.

Jobe' Boucvalt - LNO - A Letter of No Objection accepting the additional reclamation of a 40' strip of land at 198 Gary Road - Lake Shore Club - Frenier

Michael Coburn stated, "This item has been reviewed by Public Safety and Administration recommends approval."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Just explain to me what this is please."

Natalie Robottom stated, "This is a request to reclaim property out on Lake Ponchartrain. If you notice where Frenier the Restaurant is they've done that, this property owner would like to do the same, they require from the parish a Letter of No Objection to them pursuing of reclaiming their property."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Is that in relationship to this bulk head we're putting out there and building up back the land part of it?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "Actually this will be for their property. When we looked at it I think it's a breakwater that we talked about, that would have to be out, we can't do that on individual property but these individuals can reclaim their property."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Okay makes sense, thank you."

MOTION: Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Smith seconded the motion to approve LNO - A Letter of No Objection accepting the additional reclamation of a 40' strip of land at 198 Gary Road - Lake Shore Club - Frenier. The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard absent.

DEPARTMENT/ENGINEER REPORTS:

Larry Snyder - (Carry Over 10-13-14) Discussion Lions Water Plant Phase VIII design

The above item will be carried over.

Lennix Madere - (Carry Over 5-12-15) Homer "Boogie" Joseph Center timeline request for start and completion

Councilman Madere stated, "I just spoke to Daron Cooper this morning and they were doing the prep work on the walls today and I told him I'll be around tomorrow to take a look at."

Lennix Madere - (Carry Over 7-14-15) Update on drainage issues Hickory Street and E. 26th Street

Councilman Madere stated, "The issue on E. 26th Street was basically taken care of that section I told you about. But we need to send someone else down that street again on that same side about 5 houses down one of the culverts is smashed, so it doesn't do any good to blow that section out and then 6 houses down that little culvert is smashed, so we just have the same backup problem you know so on that particular side we're just to check each one you did a good job on that section but like I said 5 houses down there's another one that's smashed, so you'll get the same backup problem just in another different location. Now with Hickory Street I see you said they're on the list and I appreciate that but I mean, are we making any progress on this list because I mean they've been on this list for about a year and a half."

Brian Nunes stated, "These projects take a lot of time they really do. Digging these ditches may take us 2 - 3 weeks each ditch so you know I mean." Councilman Madere stated, "Is it time to activate our people we just hired? It's going on a year and a half we may need to activate them to catch up."

Brian Nunes stated, "They don't bring excavators in for that type of work."

Councilman Madere stated, "Okay any time frame on getting it you know ...

Brian Nunes stated, "I can't give you a time line on when we're going to dig it. I'll tell you I can do the property research and get all that handled, probably this week just so that we'll show you we're doing something but I can't tell you when exactly our machines are going to be out there."

Councilman Madere stated, "Well just as long as we get there before Christmas."

Brian Nunes stated, "Ok."

Councilman Madere stated, "Ok, alright thank you."

Jaclyn Hotard - (Carry Over 8-25-15) Update on Canal Clearing in LaPlace Park/Erosion Issues

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "I did meet with Mr. Nunes out there and Mr. Shread, Mr. Millet was out there and one of the residents and we did discuss some options and I see what they have on there with the concrete was one of my options. Let's go with that old concrete just to shore up the levee, I mean at the banks but I also met and Mr. Nunes is supposed to be scheduling a meeting with Mrs. Robottom, myself, Ms. Keller and Mr. Shread and Mr. Perilloux that we all could be in conjunction because somebody got to be doing something at the time so we don't wait on. Mr. Perilloux did his part on the letters I know Ms. Keller have to do some zoning issues or something with the land and Mr. Shread have to get permits. So I was saying schedule a meeting where we all could come together, knowing what everybody is doing in conjunction so we don't have to say; I got this and I got to wait 8 months to get a permit, so we're all working in consecutive order in trying to get all this established and get this project moving."

Brian Nunes stated, "As far as getting that set up, I can get with Ms. Landeche tomorrow and get all this set up. The other thing we did discuss was the cross sections they did the cross sections in the back. I have the price on that so that's all set. I guess we'll hold that meeting maybe in the next week or two and just get everybody on the same page."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Yes, okay. That will be fine because like I said, we need an outlet really right now on that canal because the water just stops nowhere to go and all its doing is coming back around. So it's eating the land on one way and backing up the other way coming through the drain so we can get an outlet on it with the permit that DNR supposed to give us, I think we are going to be in good shape."

Brian Nunes stated, "I agree."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Thank you Mr. Nunes."

Larry Snyder - (Carry Over 8-25-15) Discussion - Creation of new position/job description

Councilman Snyder stated, "Yes, I see what is written down here. I have to have a conversation with our Legal on just this. I think I might just wait on until he comes back and before I make any more comments on this. So do we just mind carrying this over?"

Councilman Wright stated, "That no problem we will carry that over."

Ranney Wilson - Mt. Airy/Garyville welcome sign

Councilman Wilson stated, "Yes, nobody has been maintaining the shrubbery and the flowers around that sign and like they ask if nobody takes, picks this up in the deal for the groups?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "The Clean Sweep."

Councilman Wilson stated, "The Clean Sweep group. I ask that you go back and speak with Ms. Hymel. She originally took care of the garden at that time, I spoke with her Saturday to see if she would even have time to do it and she advised she could work it in but the sign is fixing to get repainted here shortly by Mr. Duhe (Slim Duhe) and Alan St. Pierre. But also on that Clean Sweep, I'd appreciate it if you'll had somebody there every week because I cut that grass from my house, from Garyville Northern to Airline and I'd like to get some trash signs but there's no dumping signs, something, not that I don't know if it'll do any good but if I can get license numbers sometimes, I'd file charges because these people throw stuff out when I'm cutting grass."

Larry Snyder - Update on the CDBG Programs

Councilman Snyder stated, "Yes and I see you do have an update here. This is good for me but maybe the people that's listen here in our audience what like to hear a little bit about that."

Michael Coburn stated, "Thank you Mr. Snyder. Since the past couple of weeks

I know we handled this on every other meeting. 68 Completed applications received from Intake firm, 22 Title reports produced by title firms, 16 Inspections reports produced by Inspection firm, (complete 4-6 inspections weekly). Overall: 327 Homeowner Rehab completed Applications moved to title phase, 136 Homebuyer Assistance Completed Applications move to homebuyer training, 47 Elevation Completed Applications moved to title phase, 16 Small Rental Rehab Applications moved to title phase, bringing you a total of 526 applications have been deemed eligible and moved to title and training phase. 198 title exams have been completed and those applicants have moved to inspection phase. 125 inspection reports have been completed and returned to the project manager. These 125 applicants are ready for construction phase. Please note: (Construction cannot begin until the \$7 million dollar allocation is approved and the state approves the environmental reviews). Small Grant & Loan Program - \$3.8 million is available to small businesses and non-profits. Town Hall Meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, September 15, 2015 - 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center and Wednesday, September 16, 2015 -6:00 p.m. at the West Bank Community Center. Application intake will begin on September 29. School System allocated \$5 million for School buses. Since our last meeting we did have an allocation drop of \$617 thousand dollars. We just informed by OCD and the State there is an additional \$740 thousand dollars has been approved and that's about a 2-3 process, now once it's approved to get the money back in our hands. But the \$617 has already been justified in our hands, but we can't do any construction phase until they drop that \$7 million and they're expecting that in October."

Councilman Snyder asked, "How long does the title phase part of this program?"

Michael Coburn stated, "It all depends I think it's individually. It all depends on what is needed, I'm really you know not familiar with what they all need at the title phase, but if there is family adjoined properties or something like that, they can't clear a title that just drags it longer. But if everything is here and all the information is there and clean, it doesn't take long at all."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Okay and the Small Grant & Loan Program, that's part of this CDBG?"

Michael Coburn stated, "Yes sir."

Natalie Robottom stated, "All of these were separate projects that you all approved. This one is being managed through South Central Planning because they already do a small loan program so they're very much familiar with it. But this is for a portion that will be total grants and then low interest loans for business owners impacted by Hurricane Isaac."

Councilman Snyder asked, "So this wasn't necessarily, we necessarily have to do the application process for this before we did that other thing in December?"

Michael Coburn stated, "No sir something separate, something separate."

Councilman Snyder asked, "So this totally new right here? So anybody can put in for this?"

Michael Coburn stated, "Yes sir, yes sir."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Ok, that's what I needed to know. I know some people that think this opened December 31st but our last day to do the other application and I...

Natalie Robottom interrupting stated, "Let us get back with you because there was a deadline for that. This is a new program you had to be eligible so most people came in at that time, business owners as well or it could have just been for the housing part. So let us get back with you that those initial applications could have just been for homeowner repair, elevation, all the housing, the business one might be."

Councilman Snyder stated, "So this might be a little bit different so you're going to get back with this? We're still going to have...

Natalie Robottom interrupting stated, "But still encourage them to go to the 2 hearings where we'll have more information. Those are scheduled for September $15^{\rm th}$ on the Eastbank at 6 and September the $16^{\rm th}$ at 6 on the Westbank and again this is specific just to this program. So all the details will be presented then."

Councilman Snyder stated, "So the applications for Intake will begin on September 29th, that's just on hold right now until we do the investigation?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "Oh no, no that's set."

Councilman Snyder asked, "So we can still do applications then?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "Right that's what I said, you know let me clarify I think maybe the first one is through December could have all been for housing, housing repair, elevation in the business one, this one could be separate one."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Alright."

Councilman Gauff stated, "My questions concern the money. You said \$617 had been received? Have we been able to disperse some checks out to some...

Michael Coburn interrupting stated, "We did disperse checks out to Providence, Royal and also Team Title."

Councilman Gauff stated, "Very good and we're waiting you said approximately 2-3 weeks on the other \$740 and then we will disperse that accordingly? The \$7 million any idea on that?"

Michael Coburn stated, "Yes sir, yes sir. We've been told by that state by Ms. Sandra Gunner that we're expecting that in October because we want to begin, construction is October and the reason we have to wait for that money is because we plan to pay the contractors twice a month and we have to have that money in hand so that when they're working they'll always be receiving a check twice a month."

Councilman Gauff stated, "Thank you."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "I just have one question and I was just piggy backing on Mr. Snyder what Ms. Robottom said that \$3.8 million that's what I wanted to ask a new program you said and for small businesses and define non-profits. Is that for church, just churches?

Natalie Robottom stated, "Official non-profit, 501 C3."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Ok 501. Okay and when you send an email, I'd just send it to the whole Council and you sent it to Mr. Snyder I think, just send it to all of us."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Ok and I think all of you received the announcement about the meetings so you know that's important. Anybody who really is interested in this need to go to the meetings and get as much information as they can about the program, what requirements they'll have so they can start to get ready for their application and start gathering all the documents that they need to do that."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "And the reason I was asking, I can remember one time before we were trying to get some money for a 501 for a program and they had issues with it, so that's why I was asking."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Again, it's a 501 C3. This program is specific to business owners and again you're going to have to prove you're a business owner that you had your business during Isaac, there's very specific guidelines that you have to show that your damage or your loss is related to Hurricane Isaac. So it had to be in existence at the time of the storm. So that's what this program is for. But the meetings will be more specific, more detailed and it will allow business owners and non-profits to get together the documents they will need to have a successful application."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Ok thank you."

Councilwoman Millet asked, "This is a Grant or a Loan program?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "The Grant and Loan Program."

Councilwoman Millet stated, "Grant and Loan Program, so if they don't qualify for grant...

Natalie Robottom interrupting stated, "No you can qualify for both. You can get forgiveness in the grant portion and then a low interest loan. A portion of whatever you get can be forgiven. Like in a grant."

Councilwoman Millet stated, "Depending on what this application shows. Ok thank you."

Councilman Snyder asked, "You said this is only for existing businesses that had problems during the storm?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "Right. These are all the CDBG dollars are related to Hurricane Isaac damage or related problems; the housing, the business, the

elevation all of it is tied to the funding is Isaac funding."

Councilman Snyder asked, "So no new businesses?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "Right!"

Councilman Snyder asked, "Ok."

Lennix Madere - Update on house on E. 30th Street

Councilman Madere stated, "Yes Ms. Keller...

Jeff Perilloux interrupting stated, "Mr. Madere before Ms. Keller addresses this, I'm going to suggest that you all not ask any questions beyond what she has to say in an open meeting since we're dealing with this specific property that's been determined to potentially be in violation. So I would prefer us not to discuss it in an open meeting. Ok, other than her saying what she is going to say in the Administrative report."

Councilman Madere asked, "Right and any questions it will be done in Executive Session?"

Jeff Perilloux stated, "If we need to or we can talk privately either way."

Councilman Madere stated, "Ok, we'll talk privately then."

Angelic Keller stated, "Inspections were conducted by South Central Planning and Code Enforcement and a violation notice was mailed on September 3, 2015 recommending demolition. Once the notice requirements have been satisfied, an order to demolish will be sought from the courts."

Lennix Madere - Update on Drainage Project in District III

Councilman Madere stated, "Yes."

Natalie Robottom stated, "I know you have a lot of things in your District and I know we just gave you this today, so if you could take a lot at it maybe we can get together and go over the specifics with you. If you look at all of these you might have some that you're more concerned with than others and you know then maybe we can focus more on that. But this was just put together today."

Councilman Madere stated, "Okay. You want to try and meet this week next week?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "You're good this week? Just call Megan or do you want me to have Megan get with Jackie or you directly?"

Jackie Landeche stated, "That's fine I'll do it. Tell Megan to give me a good time."

Councilman Madere stated, "She got it and she can get in contact with me. So it'll be good for all three of us."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Not a problem and...

Brian Nunes interrupting stated, "Specifically for that Phase 3 Drainage Project we were talking about, I do have the design engineer here who can give you an update on that one where we stand."

Councilman Madere stated, "Yes we can do that."

Mira K. Para, Senior Staff Engineer, Buchart Horn, Inc. stated, "Good Evening, thank you for letting me present an update on this project and I'll pass around my business cards and I have a series of handouts as well. So at this point you see as the handouts come around, we've completed the preliminary design and received comments from staff, there were some modifications that were made to the scope to reduce the size of the project to remain within the budget. And the scope is now shown on this Google Earth. The map on the first page of the handout shows the new drainage structures and pipes overlaid on the aerial image and this is the new scope on this project to remain within the project budget but you can see on the third page of the handout we have a cost estimate showing the project within budget. Oh, I'm sorry these are yea they're not labeled here. Perrilloux's Street is on the left the railroad tracks, these are starting at the bottom on 24th Street, Melius Drive, 26th and 27th Street."

Councilman Madere asked, "24th, 26th and 27th?"

Mira K. Para stated, "Yes, and I've also included a project schedule. We're currently on schedule from our original schedule and there's been no change in schedule."

Councilman Madere asked, "All the blue sections on the first page is that the areas we're talking about right?"

Mira K. Para stated, "Yes that's correct. All the blue lines represent the new drainage pipes that would be installed. The existing drainage system for the subdivision is some open ditch and some subsurface."

Councilman Madere stated, "Well that was one of the concerns I have, we're closing some of the ditches on those streets and the rest of them are going to remain open. Right?"

Mira K. Para stated, "No that's not correct. All of the scope for the project that we're doing we're going to make everything subsurface."

Councilman Madere asked, "Ok so that mean like from the railroad track to the river road?"

Mira K. Para stated, "From the railroad tracks not all the way to river road, this project to remain within budget had to stop at about a 1200 feet."

Councilman Madere stated, "Well that's what I mean. Ok, it's stopping somewhere around Sweet Lorraine."

Mira K. Para stated, "That's right it's a couple of hundred feet short of Sweet Lorraine."

Councilman Madere stated, "Right so what I'm saying is we want to change all the drainage pipes in that area down those streets but then from Sweet Lorraine up to the River Road, everything is going to remain the same?"

Brian Nunes stated, "It's going to remain the same for now, yes. When we start any type of drainage project you start it all the way on the outfall end...

Councilman Madere interrupted stated, "Well I understand that, but I mean when are we going to complete from Sweet Lorraine to the River Road? Because all the trash that's up in the front is going to come back and get into those pipes okay, I think if we're going to do this project we should go all the way to the river road and close them off. Because if you leave it open you're defeating the purpose I think of what we're trying to do, cause eventually you know I might not be around to see this you know because I don't know how many years it's going to take but we need to cover all the ditches in those areas eventually and the fact that we're making that step now to do it okay, you don't half step you take a full step. If it's four streets or three streets we need to go all the way to the River Road."

Brian Nunes stated, "That's an ideal situation everywhere. We'd like to replace all these systems where we had three million dollar budget and the bond issue and I think we made the best use of that three million dollars."

Councilman Madere stated, "Well I understand that but I think we need to try and find some money somewhere else to complete it okay, we need to do that because it's something like we did with the sewage, we did our part and the water can't get in the sewage anymore but if we don't reach out to the individual people and fix their line, the system doesn't work."

Brian Nunes stated, "I think we can always look at you know maybe some CDBG money or something, I don't know see what's out there."

Councilman Madere stated, "Well we need to see what's out there because I mean if we going to do these streets, we need to do them all the way and cover them up and then every time we do streets in these areas in Garyville, Reserve, Mt. Airy, if it's one street or two streets a year, we have to do it all the way. Halfway, they always told me never do anything half, half way."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Well is it an option and this is just looking at it, the bottom line is, it's about available funding. We've done Phase 1 in Reserve, Phase 2 is under construction, again every street and every culvert is not being covered, it's all based on funding. Would it be appropriate to knock out one of these streets and just do 3 completely? Is that an option, you know what I'm saying, instead of doing 4 partially to do 3 completely?"

Brian Nunes stated, "Knocking out one street will not take us all the way to the end. It will take 3 to maybe Sweet Lorraine not the River Road."

Councilman Madere stated, "Well we need to try to find some additional funding or grant money or something in order to do it."

Councilman Wright asked, "Do we have an estimated amount?"

Councilman Madere stated, "Yes estimated amount to complete that, all 4 streets or you know how much additional?"

Brian Nunes stated, "Ball park number at least another \$3 million just to finish these."

Councilman Gauff stated, "Is it more feasible to as Madam President said; what about completing 2 streets? Start from Railroad to River Road getting 2 done completely or as Mr. Madere was saying, he's trying to get them all done or trying to get them from River Road to the Railroad so what about 2 streets?"

Mira K. Para stated, "Yes that can be done, now if you do just one of these streets for example; we start out with larger pipes down by the Railroad you get smaller pipes as you go up stream. Everything that you see on this sheet is, will be a 42 inch equivalent pipe. So as we get to Sweet Lorraine upstream and there you will get into smaller pipes ok. Having doing all of the 42 inch at one time will be more cost effective."

Councilman Madere stated, "Well I think the things is that we don't remove any street from it and just find some additional funding some way. Look for additional funding somewhere."

Councilman Wright asked, "Okay Mr. Snyder you had a question?"

Councilman Snyder asked, "What is this total project costing here?"

Brian Nunes stated, "Total project budget was three million dollars. The last page has the estimated construction about \$2.6."

Councilman Snyder stated, "And you're telling me to go from Sweet Lorraine to River Road is going to be another three million dollars?

Councilman Madere stated, "Can't be exactly."

Councilman Snyder stated, "That's about two hundred, three hundred yards the most. And all of that in Phase 1 did we go Sweet Lorraine to River Road? Sweet Lorraine to River Road is not very far. Huh let me finish let me finish...

Natalie Robottom interrupting stated, "It's all of the roads all four of them."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Right, well okay he just asked just now. His question was; what would be the, you know what would be the amount we need to finish the project and I heard three million dollars. What we did when we went over in Phase I we went over the budget there, what did we do then?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "We didn't finish. Sometimes...

Councilman Snyder interrupting stated, "Well one of the Phases up there were finished and they went over big time. Did you find the money from somewhere?"

Brian Nunes stated, "None of those never went all the way to River Road."

Councilman Snyder stated, "I'm talking about with the project, the whole project was finished."

Natalie Robottom stated, "I think that initial project didn't even have subsurface on both sides of the...

Councilman Snyder interrupting stated, "It did not have subsurface, they did it and they completed it on all the streets."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Not on both sides of the road."

Brian Nunes stated, "I think it was but I think it was at Cornland Drive is where it stopped. It didn't go to River Road. It came actually I think we found some extra money from the grant that allowed us to take I believe it was West $1^{\rm st}$ Street all the way to River Road on one side and that was all we could do."

Councilman Snyder stated, "I thought it was another project."

Councilman Madere stated, "It was something. They have a few streets that go all the way to the River Road I know."

Councilman Snyder stated, "I was just wondering where we got the money from then."

Natalie Robottom stated, "That was a bond issue project and then Phase 2 is a grant project and then this one is a bond issue project."

Councilman Snyder stated, "I'm talking about the budget part, I understand that. I'm talking about the budget part, this project we're talking about right now is we put the numbers there, we put those numbers there. But I mean those numbers could be changed you know."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Right we can take it from another project."

Councilman Snyder stated, "I'm just, I'm just looking at some options because I know we went over on a couple of other projects for sure. Do I use money from some other place out the same bond issue?"

Councilman Madere stated, "Well I'm not going to be the one to make the decision what project to take it from, but all I'm saying is; that whenever we decide to do a project, we should do it complete and not half way do the project because you know you don't come out any better. So I mean if we wanted to, if we decided we were going to do four streets, then we should have budgeted enough to do four streets all the way to the River Road. Because doing it half way or when you cover all those ditches you're eliminating a lot of trash that gets into the ditches and block it. If you do it to just Sweet Lorraine a lot of trash and debris that comes from the front is going to go to the back and cause a serious blockage again."

Natalie Robottom stated, "I know this is just being presented to you tonight, so why don't you take a look at it, when we meet if you have suggestions or possible looking at the funding that's available and the projects that

they're already assigned to, if you want to delay some and move one into this one, ultimately these projects was assigned an amount of money. The amount of money that was decided upon it's like you know, this is a big project we think the estimate is \$4.5 well based on the other two Reserve projects we spent about three million dollars so like okay, this should be three million dollars for this project but there was fourteen million dollars available. So that's what we have in the millions of dollars range, which is what these projects cost. So again, this is what we have, we're having to make some decisions on either doing it all completely, eliminating some streets, doing again I think they ran drainage studies, they did calculations that would account for open ditches flowing into the culverts and again they were task with contracts that we awarded to them based on the amount of money we have. So he had to design within the budget, now we can find other money, then I'm sure they'll be happy to design some more. But we need to do that, we can't put that on them to do that and we don't have that right now. We work with the money we have but if there's an opportunity to find some more, we're constantly looking we're constantly applying we've been fortunate enough to get but right now that's what we have."

Councilman Madere stated, "Within the budget. No no, I'm not blaming you."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Do we have any more money in that equipment, drainage equipment money?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "Um maybe...

Councilman Snyder asked, "A hundred fifty-seven thousand dollars or something like that?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "I think we ordered drainage equipment."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Well can we cancel that to do that project?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "It's not going to...a hundred and fifty something dollars is not going to do it."

Councilman Snyder stated, "That isn't a very big project I know from Lorraine to River Road. We're talking three hundred yards of dirt and culverts."

Natalie Robottom stated, "I think what Mr. Madere was talking about not just that street I think he wanted all of them to go to River Road.

Councilman Madere stated, "Right all four of them."

Natalie Robottom stated, "All four of them."

Councilman Madere stated, "Well let me just say this. I said this not just this year, I said that 2 years ago that my projection is that all the ditches in Reserve and Garyville eventually down the line are going to be covered. Okay I said that 2 years ago, now what I'm saying about this project is okay we starting but we're going half way and we do two streets or we do three streets, whenever you do it you take it all the way to the road you don't stop."

Brian Nunes interrupting stated, "That is an option I do understand."

Councilman Madere stated, "That's what I'm saying, you know it may be 20 years from now but eventually all those ditches in the parish have to be covered. What I'm saying is we're making a step to do that, so if we're going to step to cover it we cover it all. You don't cover half of it because you're not accomplishing what you're trying to do. So if it's two streets, two streets every other year or two streets every year, you take it all the way to the River Road, that's what I'm saying."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Let's talk about this later because it's really is not two streets every other year and how long it takes to come up with the millions of money so it's not going to be that quick...

Councilman Madere interrupting stated, "Yeah I know."

Councilman Wright stated, "Ok and I was going to suggest that. If you guys can look over the information providing you and Mr. Gauff when you'll meet, in the meantime if you guys can also look at maybe some cost estimates like they had talked with consolidating some of the streets to get some complete streets in and you guys can meet about that, okay."

Councilman Gauff stated, "I agree with Mr. Madere in trying to complete the streets. But once Brian and Mr. Mira explained that they were trying to do all the 42 inch culverts and it made more cost effective sense to do them, then I said okay well maybe we need to look at it and then we'll regroup and see where we find some money."

Brian Nunes stated, "This is our largest chunk of money we're probably going to have for this type of project anytime soon, so let's knock out the most expensive part of the project. Because now to take it from here to the end, like you said we're getting smaller and smaller and smaller with the culverts...

Councilman Madere interrupting stated, "I bet the price didn't get smaller."

Brian Nunes stated, "Oh it does get smaller it's got smaller."

Councilman Madere stated, "They said three million dollars later."

Brian Nunes stated, "Do everything else and that's an estimate right now. He hasn't ran those numbers, that's just...

Councilman Madere interrupting stated, "Okay that's a big issue, let's try \$1.5."

Councilman Wright stated, "We're going to move on. We've reached a conclusion on this."

Councilman Snyder stated, "You know Mr. Madere said something that makes a lot of sense and you don't have to be no Wiz to figure this out. If we start at the back we're going to pull up those culverts up so quickly, because all the trash that's in the culverts up front, flowing north and they're going to plug all the culverts up and they're going to have to get the contractors in

here and pay them a bunch of money to unplug them. It doesn't make sense to me, I know what Engineers say, start at the back and work your way to the front. That doesn't make sense in this case trust me, thank you."

Councilman Madere stated, "What Mr. Snyder just said, okay. I understand what you just saying you spent the bulk of the money from the back going to the front, what would happen if you turn around and go from the front to the back with that same amount of money, you'd probably get farther down the road because you're not using as big of a pipe. You'd get farther down the road and makes sense from the front to the back because everything flows to the back...

Natalie Robottom interrupting stated, "I don't really understand that, let's just talk about this in the meeting. You guys know what you'll need to figure out, I'm not an Engineer I don't know what went into all of that but hopefully you'll understand the questions, hopefully you'll come with some answers at out meeting where you'll have the opportunity to review the information."

Lennix Madere - Update on Sewer in District III

Administration requests a meeting to discuss specific items within your district.

Lennix Madere - Update on Utility Projects in District III

Administration requests a meeting to discuss specific items within your district.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ranney Wilson/Lennix Madere - Drainage and Drainage equipment

Councilman Wilson asked, "Mr. Perilloux where do we stand with the Railroad?"

Councilman Wright stated, "Like I said last week just on the Council's end, we did send over the letter to Senator Vitter's Office."

Jeff Perilloux stated, "Real quick I'll update you. Senator Vitter's Office is the our Federal contact whose agreed to assist us with trying to persuade the Railroads to come in and meet with us and do what they need to do. We're waiting on a response from them, depending on the response we get from them will then determine what our next motive move rather will be in terms to our recommendations to you all are going forward. The letter did go out last week."

Councilman Wilson stated, "I'm just hoping that it comes back sooner than later that we don't have to go through this process again. Also I'm a mention now but since, Mr. Nunes you'll are doing work on West 17th Street right now in Reserve?"

Brian Nunes stated, "Yes we've been doing work out there."

Councilman Wilson stated, "Ok, West 17th and 18th both need the drainage fixed.

So while you're in there, I'd appreciate it if you'll would fix it and the potholes. There's potholes from the front to the back, both streets and the cross streets, turn street in the back. While you'll are in there I'd appreciate it if you'll fix it all. But the drainage and that water sitting in front of people's houses way up to the front not moving. They need to go in and blow them out, dig them, whatever. But while you'll in there I'd appreciate it if you'll took care of it."

Brian Nunes stated, "17th and 18th."

Councilman Wilson stated, "And the project that this Council helped me with 3 meetings ago, it's still not completed. You mentioned it to me that you spoke to one of the gentlemen but I want this thing finished and completed. I mean it's been you know since 6 weeks now and nothing has happened. It's happened but...

Michael Coburn stated, "We're on it sir and trust me, it's going to get done."

Councilman Wilson stated, "And I also want it to be done right, I want grade to be shadowed at and make sure that it's right. They couldn't shoot a grade at the beginning because they couldn't see from one end to the other but now that they've cleaned it up a little bit...

Michael Coburn interrupting stated, "I think there's only one lot that's in question, am I correct? The second lot."

Councilman Wilson stated, "Yeah and the other ones had high spots that you talked about."

Michael Coburn stated, "What I was told it's just the second lot that was in question and wants to be dug out like the first lot but the rest of them fell in line. That's what I was told."

Councilman Wilson stated, "Okay they shoot a grade?"

Michael Coburn stated, "Yes sir, I didn't. I was told that second line is the only one in question."

Councilman Wilson stated "Did they shoot a grade Brian, do you know?"

Brian Nunes stated, "Yes, yes."

Councilman Wilson stated, "Positively said?"

Brian Nunes stated, "Yes."

Councilman Wilson stated, "And the issue on $17^{\rm th}$ Street, I don't know why we didn't have a contractor to come in and take care of that and send the bill to the people with the tractor trailer. I mean a contractor would have done it much faster and much better than what we did. I haven't seen what you'll did today but what I saw last week's and that's unacceptable."

Michael Coburn stated, "On West 17th?"

Councilman Wilson stated, "Yes. I mean you have to go drive on it, if that's what you'll say is good then we're in some serious trouble."

Michael Coburn asked, "You're talking about Ms. Waguespack's house?"

Councilman Wilson stated, "I'm talking about that street that they resurfaced there."

Michael Coburn stated, "Where they resurfaced that little patch work? I don't think that is complete."

Councilman Wilson stated, "Well I hope not. But I mean I just wished we would have got a contractor because it would have been complete now and it would have been done the right way and we could have sent the bill to somebody else."

Michael Coburn stated, "But we are on that and I talk to Ms. Waguespack almost every day and so far we're in good graces."

Councilman Wilson stated, "We ought to send them a bill anyway. Get some more equipment."

There was no executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Legal Options for possible parish president Charter violations

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

Lennix Madere - Update and concerns regarding home on E. 30^{th} Street - regarding health and safety conditions

Larry Snyder - Hurricane Preparation plans

Larry Snyder - Building at Cambridge and Airline Hwy. graffiti removal

Parish Buildings - Security

Water bill issues - 133 Beechgrove, Reserve, LA

Lennix Madere - St. John the Baptist Parish vs. Myrtle F. Victor, Roba Inc., and Adair Asset Management, LLC, $40^{\rm th}$ JDC, #63827

Lennix Madere - Water bills - amoeba update

Water District #1 System issues/State DHH order

Any and all pending legal matters

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

15-53 An ordinance authorizing the Parish President to execute an Act
Of Donation to acquire certain property for inclusion in the
Parish's drainage servitude system, and under such other terms
and conditions deemed fit and proper by the Parish President in
her discretion, and upon review by legal counsel (C. Millet)

PRESIDENT REPORT:

Natalie Robottom stated, "Good evening. Saturday, August 29, 2015 marked the 10 year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina and third year anniversary of Hurricane Isaac. While it is important to remember the devastation of those tragic days, we must also applaud our communities for their recovery efforts. The progress thus far is the result of a collaborative effort between our local, state and federal partners and the perseverance and resiliency of those who call Louisiana home. Thank you to everyone who has helped to this point and to those who remain engaged in furthering our quest to "Build Back Better and Stronger." On that note, we are entering the peak of Hurricane Season and seeing more activity in the tropics. Although we are not currently affected, residents should be reviewing hurricane preparedness plans and checking emergency supply kits in the event a storm threatens our area. Parish staff remain in communication with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness and the National Weather Center. It is extremely important that all residents sign up now to receive emergency notifications to your home phone, cell phone, email or SMS text messaging device. You can do so by visiting the homepage of the Parish's website and clicking on "Stay Connected." These alerts are critical in times of emergencies. Thanks to everyone who came out for the rededication of the Reserve Library in the name of Mr. Leroy D. Williams. Mr. Williams was a long-time educator, mentor, library board member and friend. I had the pleasure of working with Mr. Williams in the school system as well as on the board. He had an immense love for our Parish and this honor is a fitting tribute for such a remarkable man. Congratulations to IWS Gas & Supply distributors for their recent grand opening and ribbon cutting at 133 East Airline Hwy in LaPlace. Gas and Supply have provided welding supplies, tools and equipment, to industrial and welding markets for over 30 years and now they have a store in St. John. Please contact them at 985-652-7225 or online at www.gasandsupply.com for more information. I'd like to thank those who attended the LCDBG Public Hearing on the West Bank last week. Attendees gave great feedback and our team is using the comments to move forward in identifying a potential project on the Westbank for grant funding. Congratulations to Pastor Donna Perrilloux for the opening of DMP Prayer Line Outreach Ministry at 130 W. 7th St. in Reserve. You identified a need and moved forward to fill a void. Your commitment to your community is greatly appreciated. Please visit the ministry to find out how you can support this new endeavor. In accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and to be eligible for certain federal hazard mitigation project grants, St. John Parish is in the beginning stages of updating its hazard mitigation plan and is holding a public meeting to incorporate public comments into the plan. A hazard mitigation plan describes an area's vulnerability to natural hazards and incorporates actions to address these vulnerabilities. The public meeting will be held on Thursday, September 10, 2015 from 1:30pm - 2:30 pm in the Council Chambers. Also on Thursday, September 10, the St. John Sheriff's Office will host a Blood Drive with Ochsner Blood Bank at the Percy Hebert Building from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

to benefit Lionel Fisher, husband of retired St. John deputy Vivian Fisher. If interested, please call the Sheriff's Office at 985-359-8815 to schedule an appointment. On Tuesday, September 15, 2015 beginning at 5:30 p.m. West St. John High School students and staff members will be honored and celebrated at a Gala at Whitney Plantation for ranking 5th out of 500 schools in the Top High School list by Newsweek. The community is invited to attend and show their support for the school and this tremendous honor. The Governor has declared Monday September 14 as a Day of Prayer for Law Enforcement. A prayer vigil is scheduled for Monday from 5:00 to 5:45 at the Percy Hebert Building. More information will be available through the Sheriff's Office and Parish communication systems. \$3.8 million is available to small businesses and non-profits through the small business loan & grant program. Application intake will begin on September 29. Town Hall Meetings will take place on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 - 6:00 p.m. at the St. John Community Center and Wednesday, September 16, 2015 - 6:00 p.m. at the West Bank Community Center for those interested in applying. The Parish will hold its annual Fall Clean Sweep on September 19 and encourages everyone to get involved. The event will kick off at Thomas F. Daley Park on Highway 51 and consist of a parish wide clean-up from 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. free food and refreshments will also be provided following the clean-up activities. Register on our website or contact Dana Milioto at 652-9569. The Second Annual "Makin It Do What It Do" Motorcycle Ride & Car Show in memory of Fallen St. John Deputy Brandon Nielson will be held on Saturday, September 26th at the St. John Community Center. Advanced registration is \$30. Registration forms can be picked up at the St. John Sheriff's Office and the Percy Hebert Building. information can be found on the Parish website, Facebook, and SJTV. On that same day, residents are invited to a 100 year anniversary commemoration of the West Indian Hurricane of 1915 and fundraising event featuring food, drinks music, information displays and more to help restore the historic Manchac Greenway. The event will take place, Saturday, September 26 from 2pm - 6 pm at Frenier Landing Restaurant in LaPlace. All proceeds will go toward the Manchac Greenway Project and Lake Pontchartain Basin Foundation. The Andouille Pageant committee is seeking contestants for the 2015 Miss & Teen Andouille Queen Pageants scheduled for Saturday, October 3. Girls ages 13-16 are needed for the teen division and ages 17-23 needed for Miss Division. This year's Miss Queen will receive the opportunity to travel to Washington, D.C. in February to attend the Washington Mardi Gras Ball and tour historical sites. A pageant informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 23 at 7 pm at St. John Theatre. Applications can be downloaded from andouillefestival.com and turned in at the meeting or to Dana Milioto at the Parish office. This year's Andouille Festival is the weekend of October 16-18. Stay updated by visiting the site at www.andouillefestival.com for food, craft, band, ride specials and more. Thank you to the residents on Greenwood and Indigo for your patience during lift station rehabilitation work. We are working to make improvements to the wastewater systems and appreciate your cooperation during this time. As the project moves forward, we will continue to update residents in affected neighborhoods. Park improvements are underway throughout the Parish and heavy equipment and construction materials are required for the project. Residents and visitors are asked to keep away from construction sites and materials in the park as a safety precaution. The project is set to be completed in January of 2016 and plans can be found on the Parks & Recreation page of our website."

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:56 PM, Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Smith seconded the motion

to adjourn. The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard absent.

/s/Michael Wright COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

/s/Jackie Landeche Council Secretary