

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS**  
**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**CHAIRMAN THOMAS MALIK**  
**VICE-CHAIR MARVIN PERRILLOUX**

The Council of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session in Council Chambers, St. John the Baptist Parish Government Complex, 1811 W. Airline Hwy., LaPlace, Louisiana on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**PRESENT AT ROLL CALL:** Larry Sorapuru, Jr., Councilman-at-Large, Div. A, Kurt Becnel, Councilman District I, Julia Remonet, Councilwoman District II, Lennix Madere, Councilman District III, Marvin Perrilloux, Councilman District IV, Michael Wright, Councilman District V, Larry Snyder, Councilman District VI, Thomas Malik, Councilman District VII

**ABSENT:** Jaclyn Hotard Gaudet

Councilman Perrilloux led the Prayer. Councilman Madere led the Pledge.

Legal Counsel Keith Green, Jr., and Christopher Cortez were present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY (2 minutes per citizen)**

*Good Evening, Shondrell Perrilloux. "We're here in regards well I'm here rather in regards, to the items specifying the exemption. Just wanted to give you all some updates from the information that have been gathered. We have discovered that in the past that we had a local industry doing business with this particular industry that is asking for this exemption credit, and they ended the actual contract with this company that was employing a lot of our residents. So, I find that to be quite disturbing that we would have considered allowing exemption, not only for that situation, but I just wanted to give you some insight on some data, that was collected. It's my understanding that if this exemption, if the Council decides tonight not to allow this exemption, it would immediately put about an additional \$400,000 into the budget, in addition to the \$44 Million, that is actually due to come into the budget of 2020. Therefore, giving the circumstances that our parish is facing, I'm asking that this Council strongly, strongly consider, to deny, that exemption and hold these industries accountable for their section of the taxes, just as us, the hard-working citizens of St. John the Baptist Parish have been paying our taxes. We find it to be disturbing that multi-million, billionaire industries are being allowed to be exempted, when hard-working citizens are being asked to increase our millages. So therefore, tonight I'm asking this Council to please strongly consider denying the exemption. Thank you."*

Councilman Malik stated, "Thank you for your comments. Good Evening ma'am. Can you please state your name for the record please?"

*My name is Annette Houston, and I'm addressing the ITEP Exemptions as well."*

Councilman Malik stated, "Ok."

Annette Houston stated, "We're here, or I'm here tonight to ask you to appose the request for this exemption. Our assessments, we're going to see in a month or so it's going to be higher as taxpayers we are currently paying at a tax rate of 10.25%. We have projects that we would like to start in this parish, ourselves. We don't necessarily want to do something that is outside of the ram that's already been done. But for instance, mental health is something that is very, very important, and the having a hospital in the parish is something else that we need to address. The money that we can save or the money that we can have given to the parish, we could do some of those things, you can also give raises to your employees. So, we're asking that you please deny this exemption, because the parish these companies have projects that have been completed already, and I understand that the law has changed. And so, that plus the fact that they have been given exemptions for a number of years, and the law has changed, thank you, and we're so glad for that. We had the opportunity to speak before the School Board, and the School Board actually denied as all of you know, and you know the needs of the school system and I think this parish has the needs also for the citizens here to improve the quality of life for the citizens here in St. John Parish. And for that, that reason I'm asking you again, to deny the request for those exemptions. Thank you."

Councilman Malik stated, "Thank you Miss Houston, thank you for your comments. Are there any other comments from the public? Yes ma'am."

Hello, Ms. Crystal, and I to want to speak on the situation concerning the exemption. I think that it's quite shocking when I read that Marathon in Garyville, the Refinery has more property tax exemption than the State of Texas, that's appalling, because these are wealthy, wealthy, wealthy, wealthy, oil industries, these are the wealthiest people in the world. And the money on their tax could do so much for St. John the Baptist Parish, so much for our school system, so much in recreation, so much on our roads, our canals and drains and maintenance. I mean my goodness, I can't understand how we can stand before a body of people and say; hey yes, let's give every industry 100% tax exempt, 80% tax exempt, when truly the community pays for whenever we exempt them, we're paying it on our utility bill, we're paying it, Mr. Snyder, on our water bill, we're paying it on our telecom communication bill. And guess what, this is a small country/community - it's very small, St. John the Baptist Parish. But we're operating out of it like it's the size of Texas, and our local citizens are hurting, they really are. And to see this group, concerned citizens come forth with the work that they have done consistently, my heart just goes out to their progressive work but no actions. So please hear them upon this evening when they say; please do not give an exception of an exemption to these big oil industries, and I would say the same thing goes for the tourism and film industry, mega dollars that we're losing, but we're paying for what they don't pay for. Thank you."

Councilman Malik stated, "Thank you for your comments."

Hi, Laticia Taylor. I just wanted to talk about what I do as a member of this community. I was born and raised in St. John Parish, I live here I own property here, I work here I shop here and support our local businesses. I make groceries here, that's what we do. I'm active in my community, but I don't the option to come before you and ask that I just pay 20% of my taxes or be to 100% tax exempt. I don't have that option, I give everything that I can I pay taxes that increase constantly when we need something in this parish to be done, and now we have people who have been here since they got here, with a 100% tax exempt, a 100%, to this community, but they come and they support us by being partners in different

functions, and they give us little piddling maybe \$2 million! I'm a be I'll say \$2 million. They hire one (1) or two (2) people, maybe as contractors maybe not even with them and you say they're doing a wonderful thing for us, and they might just leave if we actually say; they have to pay their share of taxes. But I don't believe anywhere, that they could move anywhere and have that much land and have that much income, and actually have the tax cuts that they've had over the whole existence of their companies. It's time for it to stop, it's time for us to get what we're suppose to have. The state gave this responsibility to the Parish so we could actually be stuats of our own money and get the money that we deserve, so we can thrive. We're trying to build levees, we're trying to do so many things, so I'm going to say that with these industries here, I think that they're involved in the community and that's great, and I think they should do that regardless, because that's what people who live in this community do. And I also think that because they've been living tax free, that that's enough! That needs to stop! And I think that they should thank us, the citizens that pay increased taxes and everything, they should pay us."

Councilman Malik stated, "Alright, thank you Mrs. Taylor. We appreciate your comments. Good evening."

Hi, Good evening. Demetria Carter, I'm here and same as the previous people, and apposing and asking the Council to deny their request for the ITEP application. Per review of it, both Nalco and Marathon are saying they're going to hire one (1) person per year for 10 years. If you do the math, it doesn't equate to what we're giving them in sales tax exemption. And yes, I understand they're good partners in the neighborhood, they invest back and give/donate to the schools, they do a whole lot of goodwill, and that's part of being a good partner in the neighborhood. If you leave at 5 o'clock on Airline Highway, anywhere from Garyville, Mt. Airy to Reserve, there's gridlock, cars are leaving out of this parish. If they don't hire local and if they do hire locals, they move as soon as they hired, to what they deem is a better quality of life somewhere else. If we deny them the sales tax exemption, we can invest that money back in this parish and have a better quality of life here. And we can retain those residents in this parish that would contribute to the budget of this parish, purchasing groceries, sales tax, and whatever they purchase in this parish will go back to this parish coffers. And, also, I've listened to these Council meetings for years, you guys said; hey, we can't give the employees of the parish a raise, because we don't have this, we don't have that. But now we have the luxury to give away \$5 million dollars, that could be invested back into the parish employees! You're saying they have to pay more for their insurance, because you don't have the money, but, yet, you have the luxury to give away \$5 million dollars. So again, I'm asking you to deny the request."

Councilman Malik stated, "Thank you Mrs. Carter. Good evening."

Constituent asked, "How you're doing?"

Councilman Malik stated, "Good!"

Hello, my name is LaTonya Creecy, and I'm here about the tax exemption also. And what I found out is that, when were at the School Board meeting, that Nalco had one (1) employee. And the question that I've been asking since they shut down Bayou Steel is that; somebody on the Parish, or somebody for the Parish needs to keep track with the stats of how many they hire, how long they stay, and that's all the plants. I think that we should keep track with that, cuz I know when they come in you have some type of contract with how long they'll or how many they'll

hire, but then somebody needs to keep stats on our end, not just with the plants themselves. And, that needs to be I guess, let known to the public, that's what I wanted to say. Thank you."

Councilman Malik stated, "Thank you Ms. Creecy. Any other comments from the public? Yes sir, good evening."

Good evening, how are you? My name is Bruce Fatherfee, I'm here on behalf of Nalco. And we were there at the School Board meeting and recognized a lot of the people and a lot of the comments are the same. I just, I have a few moments to speak, I'd like to address some of the things that have been said. Frankly feel like industry's getting thrown under the bus here. The State offers incentives, and then we build a project and then it gets yanked. And that just, that's you know if you're going to deny the exemption just deny it upfront. I've heard also a lot of things said like you know industries not paying their taxes. Industry pays their taxes, Nalco pays 1.4 million, they'll pay 1.4 million this year and over the last 6 years their property taxes have doubled. I don't know how many people in this room have seen their property taxes double, but Nalco certainly seen their property taxes double, and a lot of that is because of they're continued investment in this community and in their plant. But I constantly hear the same thing, they're not paying their taxes they're not paying their taxes. Well, that's just not true. And at the last meeting, one person made the comment that, if Nalco's paying a hundred and twelve thousand dollars (\$112,000) for one (1) employee, that person certainly not going to live in this parish. What are we supposed to do? Cut their pay so they have to live in the parish? I mean, that's what it sounds like to me. We get blamed before we pay good wages, get blamed if we pay poor wages. And in closing, the exemptions are allowed by law, everybody in this room has exemptions. How may people turn down the exemptions on their federal income tax return? How many people turn down their homestead exemption? How people turn down their over 65 exemption? Everybody has exemptions. And, since I have one second, I'll just close on that. Thank you."

Councilman Malik stated, "Yes sir, thank you. Are there any other, alright there are no others?"

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BUSINESSES**

#### **Natalie Robottom - Recognition - 2019 Retiree - Curt Pitre (Wastewater) - 31 years**

Natalie Robottom recognized Curt Pitre for his services beginning in 1998 as an Operator in Wastewater, he was promoted to Foreman in 1998, and recently retired as a Foreman in the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Pitre was presented a plaque for his 31 years of service working for St. John the Baptist Parish. The Council also Congratulated him for his years of service.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**ITEMS:** Approval of Minutes - November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Regular Meeting; Councilman Becnel - Appointment of Virgie Johnson to the Library Board of Control; Robert Figuero - Monthly Financial Report (October 2019)

**MOTION:** Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Becnel seconded the motion to approve consent agenda items consisting of Approval of Minutes - November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Regular Meeting; Councilman Becnel - Appointment of Virgie Johnson to the Library Board of Control; Robert Figuero - Monthly Financial Report (October 2019). The motion passed with Councilwoman Gaudet absent.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION ON ORDINANCES:**

**19-49** (Public Hearing Held) (Tabled 11-12-19) An ordinance introducing the annual operating budgets for the St. John the Baptist Parish General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Enterprise Funds and Capital Projects Funds for the fiscal year Beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020 (N. Robottom)

The above Ordinance will remain TABLED.

**19-50** (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance to create perspective precincts by the split and/or merger of precinct geography in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:532 and 18:532.1 (N. Robottom)

Natalie Robottom stated, "Mr. Jack requested that we table this item."

**MOTION:** Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to TABLE Ordinance 19-50. The motion passed with Councilwoman Gaudet absent.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Becnel stated, "I ask that the minutes of the finance meeting be accepted."

**MOTION:** Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the finance meeting. The motion passed with Councilwoman Gaudet absent.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Thomas Malik - Consideration regarding ITEP Application #20161839-ITE-\$8,586,946.00 - Nalco Company LLC**

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "I'm a comment on these items. I'm not in favor of giving a tax break I got several reasons why, I'm a give a few: Our parish long, for so long the state has gave a lot of industry tax breaks along Louisiana, let's talk about St. John. St. John has suffered a whole lot of not getting money to do projects in this parish, we got a bond out or we got to borrow money. Example: the water meters, right now we got to borrow to put water meters in the ground. We got a Waste Water facility that's falling apart, we got trees growing in them. They're not they look like terrariums now, they're terrible. We got a water system falling apart, we need to repair that. We got equipment we need in the parish, we need to buy that because of the population is growing. So, I'm not in favor and I could use these for both irons to give a tax break. Another one is, and the gentleman came up from Nalco, I could remember I had your predecessor and I told him the hiring practices in at Nalco should represent Mt. Airy and Garyville, he got upset with me. He requested I summit to his office and I told him-well, I'm a come on my time, and which I did. I brought Mr. Madere with me as my witness to see what we had at this facility and why it wasn't presenting Garyville and Mt. Airy. So, in my opinion I don't think we should give tax breaks when we all suffered in the parish, our taxes are too high in this parish, we need to roll back some of the millages to help our residents. So, I am not in favor of it, and we need to start hiring locally. And I'm not going to comment on election until it come to it, but we need to hire more St. John residents. That's

what we need to hire and Ms. Carter was right when she came up, I mean this traffic is getting I follow cars one day, they all going to St. James, they all going on the West Bank, to Chackbay, they all going to Thibodaux coming from Marathon. They all cutting New Era trying to get to the I-10 on 55 to go across the lake. I don't see nobody going down Central Avenue or MLK, I see them going all this way (hand motion). So, I am not in favor of a tax break, and my other Council members may say something, so my voter is 'NO' on that."

Councilman Wright stated, "Thank you. I just wanted to thank the residents and the representatives of Nalco, for just coming speak. I know it's not always an easy thing to come and speak at a public meeting..."

Jackie Landeche interrupting stated, "His mic is not on. Should be."

Councilman Malik stated, "Should be."

Jackie Landeche stated, "It's on now."

Councilman Wright stated, "I just wanted to thank the representatives from Nalco, as well as the residents for coming. I know it's not always an easy thing to come speak either for or against an item. But I just wanted to thank you all for at least coming and participating and having your voices heard."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Actually I enjoyed seeing this democracy and motion. I've been living with it now for many, many years, and I like to see people come out speak their minds, say what's on their minds, and hope the people that represent them will listen. Cuz we've been accused over the 8 years I've been up here, if not listening at the residents but, I you know, that's another issue. This exemption that these companies are coming after, its exemption on some new equipment, it's not totally exemption, so keep that in mind. And you know from what I understand here and what I've read, and some of the videos I've seen, it's exemption on what they are on new equipment, I think. One is I think it's an 80 million-dollars exemption on this one. But let me tell you something, these large companies don't make an investment unless they've did their homework. And their homework would say, no it's not a good investment, your return on investment may not be this or that. So, they're not going to make the investment. But when they determine, when they decide to make an investment, they're looking at big profits. I know Nalco have taxes have doubled or tripled, but if you look at Nalco at one time, it was just a it was just a place where you could come, you bring chemicals there and they shipped it someplace else. But look at it now, it's three (3) or four (4) times as large as it was back in the days when they first did that Western part of it. I've been in this parish too all my life and I know what's going on with it. And I've been in industry and when they make an investment like this, trust me, they will they are looking at making some major profits. So, since this is this is this is small, when you compare to the investment they got in those areas. And I appreciate all you people coming out you know and letting us know exactly how you feel. I really believe in this part of democracy and people speaking their minds and letting their representatives take it from there. So, that's what I got to say."

Councilman Madere stated, "I agree with everything Mr. Perrilloux said, and I did attend that meeting with him, and we spoke to Nalco about their hiring practices. And I'm definitely one, these industries should reflect in their workforce the individual who live in the parish. A larger

percentage of what they have, you now they try and say the Tri-Parish, I'm not concerned about St. Charles or St. James, I'm concerned about St. John the Baptist Parish, you understand! So, I mean those figures when they say Tri-Parish, St. Charles will have to take care of their own and St. James, but I definitely agree with Mr. Perrilloux, Mr. Snyder. Yes, these companies are making millions and millions of dollars, I even heard recently I was told (but that's just rumors you know), or if they don't get this they're going to pick-up and pull out. It cost a lot more to pick-up and pull out and rebuild somewhere else. So, they're not going anywhere that I can see you know, and I listen to the people who put me in office. Okay, and the people who put me in office and the people who we represent came here tonight and spoke loud and clear how they feel about certain situations. Okay so, in that regards okay, you now my answer."

Councilman Becnel stated, "Okay, thank yawl for coming out. One point I want to make to Nalco specifically too! Not only yawl, they say yawl hiring practices yawl don't hire local people? I can guarantee you, you know another part we're missing ladies and gentlemen? They don't do business with local companies. That's a fact! They'll rather go and do business with somebody an hour and a half away than somebody that's 15-minutes away, and I'm going to leave it like that!"

Councilwoman Remondet stated, "Thank you. I guess I'll look at it a little differently and I understand where the people are coming from. I worked for Economic Development for the parish for many years. And this was a staple of an incentive to encourage a company to not only to build here, but to expand. And can only see it in that light for so many years, these are good companies we're talking about and they are active in the community. But, having been on the Council for the past 4 years, I have never known the parish to need this money more than it needs it now. We are in dire need we do have so many things, the things we need to fix are the reasons why people who do work at some of these industries, when they get ahead, they move out. The things we need cost money, and its everyday things. It's stops us from drowning in our rain water, have our water good and lasting, our pipes are so old if it gets a little cold the main lines are breaking, we've got a very old infrastructure. So now I seen it in a different light, we need so much in St. John to put us where we need to be, to continue these companies expanding in St. John, and for the people to stay here. Thank you."

**MOTION:** Councilman Snyder moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to DENY consideration regarding ITEP Application #20161839-ITE-\$8,586,946.00 - Nalco Company LLC. The motion passed with Councilwoman Gaudet absent.

**Thomas Malik - Consideration regarding ITEP Application #201803365-ITE-\$25,382,039.00 - Marathon Petroleum Company LP**

**MOTION:** Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to DENY consideration regarding ITEP Application #201803365-ITE-

\$25,382,039.00 - Marathon Petroleum Company LP. The motion passed with Councilwoman Gaudet absent.

**Thomas Malik - Eliana DeFrancesch - Discussion regarding the location of the Clerk's Office in the new building**

Eliana DeFrancesch, Clerk of Court stated, "Thank you for letting me come and speak to you and Administration, Ms. Robottom, Council members, thank you. What I'd like to request from the administration is to relocate my Clerk's, my staff's office, from where it is now where it should have been, where the Billing Department is right now. Cuz the Billing Department apparently was not sufficient for billing in the area that it was in, but now that they have renovated it, it should be more than sufficient for them to move back to where they were originally supposed to be. So, I could have my office, my staff, where my office is. Cuz my office is where the billing department is right now, and my staff is where the billing department used to be. So, it's a little...well it's not conducive to the Clerk's office working, functioning correctly. So that's what I'm requesting, that we/my staff goes back to where they originally were supposed to be. Where the billing department is right now, so switch it back to where it was (hand motion). That is what I'm requesting."

Councilman Malik stated, "Yes ma'am. Can we hear from administration?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "I'll have Robert address that."

Councilman Malik stated, "Ok."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Actually we, I'll let Robert address the specifics of it, but I know we met with DeFrancesch (not on microphone to understand), got her input before making any changes, but Robert actually handled the rest of it and knows the cost."

Robert Figuero stated, "Thank you Council. So, the initial intent was from my understanding that the Clerk of Court was going to bring I believe one (1) or two (2) individuals for five (5), six (6) times a month I believe, was what Judge Snowdy had told me originally. The space by where the current's Clerk of Court office is set-up now is it's a small space. It's a very small space, we have four (4) individuals working in that space, 40-hours a week. We met with or the Parish President met with the Clerk of Court and stated that hey this real estate was more conducive for the traffic that comes in to the building on a daily basis, again, we were under the impression that there was going to be one (1) or two (2) Clerks here five (5) days a month I believe, and maybe one full-time person?"

Eliana DeFrancesch stated, "Initially yes, but that has changed."

Robert Figuero stated, "So at the time, at the time we had these discussions our thought was they were going to have one person here, with maybe one (1) or two (2) here five (5) days a month, as apposed to our four (4) individual Utility Billing Clerks here 40-hours a week, 5 days a week, 40-hours a week. So, again by moving that's space when we spoke with them, it gave us more space to operate, it reduced the traffic of the public going in to the main lobby, it got them into the building out of the building quicker, to pay their utility bills. With that said, we also met with the Clerk of Court, I didn't but I believe Daron did, Capital Projects, and they had some conversations about redesigning the Utility Billing..."

Eliana DeFrancesh interrupting stated, "Right!"

Robert Figuero stated, "So we spent roughly about \$24,000 to redesign that area, from my understanding to meet the needs that she said were required. The thought was she would maintain her office in the utility billing area, so I do agree with her where it is separate from where her clerks are, but we will allow her (not allow her) but, she could keep her office as well as a little workstation outside of her office, all we really, we being the utility billing department, all we really needed was that front window was the real estate. Again, we had four (4) women, four (4) clerks, and that little bitty office 40-hours a week, it was just really, really, really, tight. Not to mention the lines, the people, we were backed up, they were inside the lobby by Planning & Zoning, by ROV, out here it's just that it's more conducive to dealing with the crowds for crowd control and so forth."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Okay, and that's well and good and I do understand that reasoning. But now that they, you have renovated the old space, it is more than sufficient to house those four (4) people."

Robert Figuero stated, "I mean the space didn't get any larger. All we did was knock down some..."

Eliana DeFrancesh interrupting stated, "I beg to differ with you. With knocking down the walls, it's as much space as you have in my office. Where they have right there in the front, it would be more than sufficient for them."

Robert Figuero stated, "I disagree. From a perception standpoint, we knocked down the walls on the outside of it, so from a perception standpoint, yes it does look larger, but the actual office itself where the ladies would be at, that office didn't get any larger, that remained the same size where they would be sitting in. The outside I agree with you, when we knocked down those walls on the little partitions, from a perception standpoint, yes it opened it up, because again, it looked like you were in a little hole. And when we knocked down those walls, now they could see out you know, there's a better viewpoint per say. So yeah, so I mean that's."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Okay, well again, my office when I designed it when the design came in, my office was supposed to be where the billing office is now. And as far as I can, I don't want to be judgmental but, when the plans were made for the billing department, someone should have figured out it was too small for where they were."

Robert Figuero stated, "Yes ma'am, no argument there. And again, this isn't any contentious, you know we went to her she said hey at the time it was a great idea, we wanted the real estate and then we agreed to it, now like I said her plans have changed, so that's where this is coming from. So, I mean this it's just you know."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "And plans do change."

Robert Figuero stated, "Yeah! No again, I'm not trying to be just you know that, that's just how it came about. You know."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "And I still would like my staff to be where they were originally supposed to be. Cuz right now I would like to have at least four (4)

*of the five (5) people, in the building to facilitate the services for the public. That's, I need that space."*

Robert Figuero stated, "Understood."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Ok."

*Councilman Madere stated, "Yes, this is very difficult, because when we first got in this building okay, I'm not even talking about the size of the billing department. Size didn't matter to me, what mattered to me and when I first saw that building, I came in here was the fact that where the individuals had to come down that hallway to pay their water bill. That's a long distance. And I'm even more and more upset about it when I saw handicap people having to come from the handicap spot all the way around then through the building, then all the way to that back. Okay, I was one that thought that the water bill and the billing should've been up to the front where it's located at now. Because, I you know I mean that's just design of the building okay. Now I, no disrespect to you about your office or what you need, my whole complaint about that building was the fact the individual citizens had to travel so far down that building down into that building to pay a water bill. Okay and I watched a lady who had came in with a cane and walking real, slow and she had to travel that enter distance just to go and pay her bill and then turn around and walk that entire distant out. Where the bills are where the bills are being paying at now, it's quick in and out for handicap individual citizens. So, my major concern is helping the citizens who come here on a daily basis every day to pay their bill. Now I don't know what can be worked out, you know between your office and that situation, but as far as where it's at for the individuals coming in to pay their bill, handicap and non-handicap, it's in a good location. That's where it should have been from day one you know, and like you said the design of the building, suspect as far as I'm concern. Okay and then they went back and then redesigned the old spot, now I know they redesigned it but I can't even talk about how big they made it or if it's still the same size or not, I just know some work was done. Okay, but my passion and my concern, is for the individual handicap and individual come in wheelchairs and walkers and stuff, they have to travel that distant if we put those that billing system all the way back down that hallway again. That's entirely, it's farther than from here to the exit door from here. Okay, it's about double, the amount the walking they have to do. So that's my biggest concern about the citizens having to go back and forth to pay their bill."*

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Just quickly Ms. DeFrancesh."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Yes sir."

*Councilman Perrilloux stated, "I didn't really know you was interested in coming to this building till I saw Mr. Malik put that on the agenda. And everything Mr. Madere said, is why we moved it because we was thinking about the elderly and the handicap people that's coming to this building to pay their water bill. Now Mr. Figuero, and I haven't been in either one of these to know how much room they have or not, cuz I didn't go into the billing area. But where the old water building is or used to be, can you open that up to the existing one? Maybe move I don't how it's designed..."*

Robert Figuero stated, "Unfortunately, unfortunate no sir. The IT room is directly behind it."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Okay, without me looking at it I can't judge till I walk in and see what is going on, what you need for your crew, how much space you need, so I really can't make a decision. I'll go in there and see, I don't know if Mr. Madere been or any other Council member, I know I have not. And again, all due respect I didn't never think you was coming over here really, I didn't think..."

Robert Figuero interrupting stated, "And in honesty Councilman, we looked at myself, Daron, the Architect, the Engineer, we looked at the plans and tried to figure out if we could do something differently with the utilities, the current or the old utility billing area. Like if we could widen it or you know, accommodate everybody. And then we just couldn't structurally figure out a way to do that."

Natalie Robottom stated, "And, and I'd like to add, in accordance with what you guys are saying, a plan on paper is only as good as the paper. Once it was built, we changed several things, the entrance, you know based on usage. Handicap individuals were an issue for us, so we changed the entrance and this was an attempt to make it easier for them. Additionally, and Ms. DeFrancesh can clarify, we didn't make any changes without her approval. Before we made any change, we walked/I walked myself with you, throughout the building in addition to these individuals coming up with suggestions, you asked for some things, we tried that, we looked at different things, actually had them get back with you. However, part of the rational was as Robert said, we're receiving clients here every day. What you were asking for was: once a month or five (5) times a month or whatever, has that changed, and obviously if that changed, then conditions change. But the time the investment was made and the changes were made, it was providing the additional space, for the services we provide everyday to our residents, versus having a space that's vacant the majority of the time which is what we've noticed. We've been in the building almost a year, that space before we decided to renovate it, had remained empty with your office and the space available for your clerks that nobody move into. So, that's where the idea came to, well if they're not going to move people in to it, rather than having our staff jammed up and having our residents having to go in the building, let's meet with her and see if we could change it. So again, at the time the decision was made, it's because you weren't going to have staff here, you didn't reference four (4) people, at the most you said one (1) or two (2) and it was not every day. So, not to belabor the point, but the decision was made at the time, based on that information. There was nothing malicious, it was cooperative, we tried to work with everybody involved, but the number one concern was watching how it worked once we moved in to the building and seeing some of the issues we had with people coming to pay their bills, and opening it up and making it easier for them to come through, pay their bills and exit. Obviously, we can take a look at what it is you're planning now, but for all your people here, we didn't do anything without Eliana's approval, and it was based on the information she provided us. As Robert said, we invested twenty-four, twenty-five thousand dollars, to make those changes, and we would not have done that if you had not agreed. But, it's something you guys can take a look at, obviously nothing to do tonight, if you can get us exactly what your plans are now, you know whether it's having people here or not or what the timeframe is, and then we'll present it to you all in the next administration for decision."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "And that was going to be my suggestion. Let us know what you want to do in there so we can go and see, may not be on my watch but the new Council, where at least we can go in there and look at some ideas."

And Robert, I don't know if we have anywhere else in this building that she can house people, that's space we not using, I don't know."

Robert Figuero stated, "Like the Parish President said, you know let us know exactly what you're trying to do, and for the same exact thing we did with this situation, we just try to figure out a better solution you know for everything so, if you just give us your plan what you're trying to accomplish, we can take a look at it and see you know see if we can figure something out or work something out you know. There's always something that could be done."

Eliana DeFrancesh asked, "Okay so do you want me to get a hold/in touch with you in reference to what the needs are?"

Robert Figuero stated, "Yes ma'am, that would be great. And that way we could just get a good understanding you know of what you're trying to accomplish, and let's see if we could figure something out as we did the first time. Again, you worked you were very you worked with us the first time. You know you saw the need, so you worked with us, so the least we could do is turn it around and return the favor, and work with you and see if we can figure it out."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "That sounds good."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "That'll be good Ms. DeFrancesh, that way we have an idea. Cuz I, believe it or not, I like to see everybody on this one site. The District Attorney, the people at the Arcuri Center, and sell all these buildings we have, and house everybody here, would be a great thing to do."

Councilman Malik asked, "About how many people daily come to your office?"

Natalie Robottom asked, "The one on this side or across the river?"

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "The one on this side? The one in the Arcuri Center? It all depends. Some days we have about 30-40, then sometimes a little less, sometimes a little more!"

Councilman Malik stated, "Ok."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "We have handicap also."

Councilman Malik stated, "Thank you."

Councilman Snyder stated, "You know, what all we said up here is exactly what the thinking this Council was thinking about, because we know those offices had been empty for a long time, and we've brought the question up - what we're going to do with these offices down there, and we were told that, that look like the courts not coming over here, so we need to figure out something else and I think we agreed to lets let the billing department move over there as far as the windows, and I agree with that and right now since we did that it's working so smoothly now for everyone. You know and I would hate to see I really would hate to see Ms. DeFrancesh us to upset many, many people in this parish who come to this parish to pay their bills at that office over there. And if we go this way, I think that's what's going to happen. So, what we need to do like the renovations we did in this office in the back, back here. What was that, why did we do that renovations? Mr."

Robert Figuero asked, "What renovations exactly?"

Councilman Snyder asked, "The ones we did in that old billing office?"

Robert Figuero asked, "In the old utility billing? And I wasn't a part of the initial conversation, but I believe Ms..."

Eliana DeFrancesh interrupting stated, "I requested that...yeah I requested that, because it was not sufficient..."

Councilman Snyder interrupting asked, "Oh! You requested that?"

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Yeah, they had walls, and I said it's not going to work with walls with my staff."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Okay so we did that, and we did what they asked."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "But it's wide open right there where they are right now. So, the renovations should've been done whether my office was there or billing was there, I mean it was..."

Councilman Snyder interrupting stated, "Well, I don't see it that way. That's what you asked for then that's what you asked for, and that's what you got."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Not sir. I agree, but..."

Councilman Snyder interrupting stated, "Okay and that's what we gave you."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "I originally, my office was where the billing is right now..."

Councilman Snyder interrupting stated, "And we and it stayed empty for a long period of time."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Well the reason it stayed empty for a long period of times sir, is because Court was supposed to be coming over here also. Didn't want to move my staff, if the Court wasn't coming. Now the Court is an issue that they're not coming, I don't know if they are or not, or if there's other things going on, but my office is coming. And the reason I held off, was because of the Court. But now I am moving in. Okay, and we'll have more than one (1) person there."

Councilman Snyder stated, "That's understandable."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "I used to have three (3) on a daily basis, for the functions that would help the people this side of the river instead of coming across to Edgard cuz most of them do come from LaPlace, and Reserve, and Garyville."

Councilman Snyder asked, "And those were the plans before the construction of this building, that was taken into consideration?"

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Yes sir, yes sir."

Councilman Snyder asked, "And that's why we supposed to be open just five (5) days a month?"

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "No, five (5) days a month is when they have court. My office is opened every day."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Right, and I do understand that. But we supposed to have court here. We're supposed to have court in this building."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Yes, correct."

Councilman Snyder stated, "So those five (5) days would be for the court..."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "For the court, correct!"

Councilman Snyder stated, "Right, that's what I'm talking about, and that's why the office is designed the way it's designed. I am sure that if this office was designed to move 50% of the, your work over here, it would have been a lot larger I'm sure it would have. It'll have been taken into consideration instead of moving five (5) people, been moving 15 people. You know that what I'm thinking about, cuz you know I'm a say this again, we've got settled in the way we're settled in right now, and if we go back the other way, we're going to disappoint too may people. Everybody that walk in and pay their water bill. Especially those handicap people. So, that's my feeling on that. Thank you for coming Ms."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Give us your plan."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Yes sir."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Just continue to follow-up."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Sure."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Just get your plans and we'll look at them, get with Robert and see what we can do and what you plan on doing with how many people coming, and what they plan on doing."

Eliana DeFrancesh stated, "Okay, that's fine. Thank you."

**Travis Perrilloux - Authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Louisiana State Animal Response Team (LSART) for emergency animal services following an emergency or disaster**

Travis Perrilloux stated, "This Agreement establishes a clear understanding of the roles of both parties during emergencies or disasters. LSART services are considered a donation to the community and will aid in preparations and immediate response for animal evacuations. The Agreement was sent to Legal Counsel for review and Administration recommends approval."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Just a motion to discuss it, cuz I'm looking at what we have here, I'm reading Legal that they need some more information, so they recommended TABLING it till they look into it some more?"

Travis Perrilloux stated, "Yeah so what it, I spoke with Legal earlier, we're looking at a MOU itself and it stated that some of the things on it was consistent with a CEA, however, this document was provided for us by LSART, they're not giving us any approval to change their documentation, which is used in parishes and counties throughout the region."

Councilman Perrilloux asked, "Mr. Green, you have any information on the item?"

Keith Green, Jr., Legal Counsel stated, "Good Evening Council. This issues that we ran into specifically is that the document is titled a Memorandum of Understanding. But it contains certain language in the-certain clauses that really are not consistent with and MOU. For example: MOUs are not designed to obligate any one party, that's why you have other contractual documents, this actually places obligations on the Parish to provide some services to LSART in the event that a disaster occurs. So basically..."

Travis Perrilloux interrupting stated, "Yes, it's for our animals."

Keith Green, Jr. stated, "What it is, is that the MOU is not the proper vehicle for them to accomplish this, if you look at the first page of it; the first whereas-actually references the constitutional article, written article regarding Cooperative Endeavor Agreements, yet it's titled the Memorandum of Understanding

**MOTION:** Councilman Snyder moved and Councilman Sorapuru seconded the motion to grant administration authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Louisiana State Animal Response Team (LSART) for emergency Animal services following an emergency or disaster. The motion passed with 6 yeas, 1 against (Malik), 1 abstaining (Perrilloux) and 1 absent (Hotard Gaudet)."

**Cain Dufrene/Verdell Kindrick - Authorization to transfer the title of a Reserve Volunteer Fire Department vehicle to the Public Works Department**

Natalie Robottom stated, "Actually both Mr. Dufrene and Mr. Kindrick are out on vacation, so I'll cover this item for them. It's a matter of transferring the vehicle, but the Department of Motor Vehicle would like a vote by the Council or minutes reflecting that you approved this transfer. So that's why it's on the agenda. We've not done it before, but that is their request before they will transfer the title, it's a vehicle that'll be used by Public Works that is no longer needed by the Fire Department."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "I just have a question."

Councilman Malik stated, "Yeah, that's what I'm asking. Who actually owns the vehicle? Cuz it states that it's a Volunteer Fire Department Vehicle."

Natalie Robottom stated, "I think it's something that holds water that the Public Works department can use, that's no longer needed by the Fire Department. So, the Office of Fire Services owns it now, and they're transferring the title, I think it's a vehicle that would hold water that can be used in the processes of..."

Councilman Perrilloux asked, "A Vac Truck!"

Natalie Robottom stated, "No, it's not a Vac Truck."

Travis Perrilloux stated, "It's an actual Engine. However, it has a tank on it, that's usable to the Department of Public Works for like asphalt and concrete jobs, and things like that where it can prolong its life. It has no longer validly in fire suppression."

Councilman Snyder asked, "It's in Reserve?"

Travis Perrilloux stated, "Yes sir."

Councilman Snyder asked, "It's in Reserve?"

Travis Perrilloux stated, "I don't believe it's in Reserve right now. But I believe it's in LaPlace."

Councilman Snyder stated, "In LaPlace, ok."

Travis Perrilloux stated, "Yes sir."

Councilman Malik stated, "The title, does it stipulate the, a Reserve Volunteer Fire Departments?"

Travis Perrilloux stated, "It does, because it was a vehicle that was purchased years ago. However, the vehicle was insured and maintained by the St. John Parish Council."

Councilman Malik asked, "But it's still owned by the Reserve Volunteer Fire Department?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "Which is actually part of the Office of Fire Services. They're not separate and apart, they're part of the Office of Fire Services. So, it's just a matter of transferring..."

Councilman Malik interrupting asked, "At one time, were they separate?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "They considered themselves separate, they were still in the Parish's budget and they were still responsible for following the same rules and regulations as every other department. But their Volunteer Chiefs used to manage their budgets, not necessarily in alignment with procedures. But everyone is under one budget, and all the equipment belongs to the Office of Fire Services."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Who's name is on the dead, whose name is on the ..."

Councilman Malik interrupting asked, "Yeah you said the Volunteer. Legal?"

Councilman Snyder asked, "Volunteer Fire Department?"

Travis Perrilloux stated, "Reserve."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Okay, okay."

**MOTION:** Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the motion to grant administration authorization to transfer the title of a Reserve Volunteer Fire Department Vehicle to the Public Works Department. The motion passed with 7 yeas, 1 against (Malik), and 1 absent (Hotard Gaudet).

**DEPARTMENT/ENGINEER REPORTS:**

**Kurt Becnel - Byron and Nedra Harper - Discussion regarding Installation of fence at L&L Trailer Court and RV Park**

Councilman Becnel stated, "Let me start off by saying, I was approached by the Harper family to be placed on this agenda. And basically, I'm going to give y'all some notes and some stories that (it's nothing personal against anyone, I'm just doing my job as a Councilman). And it's my right, I mean any right in my District, East or West Bank, to be placed on the agenda as a taxpaying

constituent. So, the way I do my business as a Councilman, when I first took office, some people I've pride myself in detail. See these two (2) journals, I handwrite everything, and then I turn them into a report, and then my Secretary put it on an excel spreadsheet. So, I'm going to take yawl down this journey on how this is going/what happened, and the Harper family will get up and explain (I'm sure Mr. Bailey will too). So, when I first took office in January 2016, 3-months down the line, the Harper family told me they were dealing with an issue with a fence, that was never installed or whatever you know, well I said look; you know what I'm a do, I'm going to fill out a report. According to this spreadsheet (June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016), I sent the report to Alex Carter. Byron and Nedra Harper or Harper family, are requesting the Lionel Bailey, the owner of L&L Court, install a private fence which was up there before. And, cuz they have been complaining what the neighbors are behaving in a disorderly manner across the street, in all fairness to them. Now this is June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016, okay, so also on that report, the Harper family had placed a 'No Trespassing' sign on their property, which the neighbors removed. And the Harper family felt, you know the neighbors had the audacity to remove this sign and place it on their porch like to say taunting them. Also, the Harper family said the neighbor's young son, even stole items from them and why we know that's true, because they young son's father brought the item back to them. So, this is what these people are going through, according to them. Now, that's June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016, so look at the timeframe, the next time we made contact was January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Nedra Harper called me 7:30 AM in the morning, she said Kurt, we have concerns about the fence not being put in place by Mr. Bailey, and she said across from her the residents were acting rowdy and like making threats to them, and that's why it was essential to have that fence. See, there are a lot of police reports involved with this, you know and in all fairness to them and whomever, you're not there when the police is coming there and people are being disturbed, okay! So, I'm not singling them out but I'm just telling you what they said. And Mr. Bailey, after I spoke to Alex, Alex said she was going to reach out to you, which she did. Now this is January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Mr. Bailey I spoke with you January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at 6:30 PM. Gave you a call, I said Mr. Bailey, you know I'm always trying to be fair, trying to work this out. I told you it would be in your best interest to install this fence as soon as possible. And, cuz if you don't the Harper family will appear at the January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Council meeting. You agreed to install the fence as soon as possible. I made the Harper family aware, they said okay-we're going to wait, we'll see we'll see what happen. Cuz you said you were going to start it as soon as possible. So apparently you didn't, and then January 18<sup>th</sup>, I get a call from the Harper family, what you did is you put some post up and that's why they said it was moving very slow, so you just put some like post in the ground. I'm just repeating what they said sir, I'm reading from what they're telling me. And they said they would let me know if they would like to be placed on the Janu...of the February 14, 2017 agenda. So Nedra said specifically to me, you know what Kurt, I'm a wait a little while I'll wait a few weeks, two (2) to three (3) weeks to see what's going to happen because the poles just sat there, no action was taken. So, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017, nothing no action was being taken, here's on my report. Alex said to me, Kurt, look the fence installation has begun, even though it's just poles in the air and she said because I had issued a violation to Mr. Bailey. Now she said she had a good conversation with Mr. Bailey, about replacing the fence. And, Lionel was also contacted by the Code Enforcement Inspector, Brenda Young. Now, according to Alex, Lionel told Alex that he understands the reasoning now and he assured her he would replace the fence, that was March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Okay so the Harper family, said you know what Kurt, this time we going to have a little bit more patience, we're going to wait a lil longer. Two (2) months passed, four (2) months passed, five (5) months passed, my next call from the Harper family. September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017, they would

like to know why Mr. Bailey was given an extension from 9/15, for installing a fence Judge Cheryl Miles gave him the extension, okay...so, nothing happened then. So, then we went down a few more months again, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Nedra called about the fence, this time I called Kristi Muller, and asked her, Kristi, what is going on with that fence? And what is the deadline for Mr. Bailey? She said to me the deadline was 2/05/18, and if it's not installed, a lien will be placed on his property. Now the reason why the Harper family are here, is because and why she wanted to get on the agenda, because something happened very serious a month ago, that was very dangerous, so she said Councilman, I really need to get on this agenda and have my say and that's where we're going take it from there. So, Ms. Harper if you like you can come up."

Good Evening, I'm Nedra Harper, this is my husband Byron Harper. As Mr. Councilman Becnel said, this has been an ongoing problem. It's a problem that's been addressed, the people from the parish came take pictures, most recently they took pictures. It was agreed that he would do the fence he never did do the fence, it's an ongoing problem where we have adults urinating, yes, where my grandchildren have seen, there's fighting, the most at one point my husband could have been serving jail time for false accusation. About a month ago, one of the tenants came on our property, drove her car I'm making sure I'm out of the way, she's steadily coming into me. After I threatened her and told her that I was going to call the Cop, of course I was insulted as usual, and said call the Cop. She left from the car went back on L&L Court, walked across and came and threatened me again verbally. By that time the police department came and I told them what happened, but because she didn't contact me, he couldn't do anything at that point, but he understand that they are taunting us because they're tired coming there. I've talking to Ms. LaVerne and several other people that's no longer with the parish, I was informed by previous employees that they tried to do their job but they were stopped by the President, I have spoken to the President myself, on several occasions I've been talking to Ms. LaVerne the last couple of months about this and the last conversation that we had was; she was sorry very everything that was going on, but she doesn't know what else to do. To me, this is a slap in the face again, because he was hired as a contractor, supposedly to help put the fence up for whatever financial reason I don't know, I don't care, but I do know the fence is not there. A bigger slap in the face to me, as well as the taxpayers of this parish, he's been hired as a Civil Service worker, that's an insult. That's a disgrace, for whoever hired him. And it tells me that because we are taxpaying people, like he said when we started this long journey, the parish can't do anything with him. Unfortunately, we live in this parish, this is where we live, we work, we sleep, he's in another parish resting while we're being tormented. So, we have tried not to get the media involved, but at this point I just want to inform you that I have contacted the media, and they will be getting back to you. Thank you."

Councilman Becnel stated, "I mean they're done up, I mean Ms. Robottom, you have something to say, then Mr. Bailey have something to say."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Yes I do. I'm not responding...yes, this is a Civil issue, so I can't respond for Mr. Bailey. But on our part, a violation has been written and Mr. Bailey is being fined for every month he fails to put up the fence. That is being assessed to his taxes, and that is the stick we have. Which is a violation and fines, so that is what we are doing, Ms. Harper, so I'm not sure that is what is within our power. We can't build a fence for him, there was somebody who suggested that we do that, which I would not, build a fence for private citizen, however, the process has been followed, it went through the Administrative Hearing Process, they actually granted a couple of extensions,

which is done through the Administrative Hearing Process, however, once the timelines were not meant, the fines started. And that is where we are on this violation, so yes, something is being done, but we cannot build a fence. The Ordinances that are approved, what we're able to do is fine them and add it to their tax bill, which is what we're doing."

Councilman Malik asked, "So it's added to..."

Natalie Robottom stated, "His tax assessment."

Councilman Malik asked, "Mr. Bailey's?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "Yes."

Councilman Malik stated, "Alright, thank you. Yes sir!"

Lionel Bailey stated, "First of all, I want to make some precursory statements. My name is Lionel Bailey, and I first and foremost, I want the Council to understand, that I'm here as a parishioner, and as a businessman, no as an employee, okay. Second, of all, I made a commitment to one individual, that I respect highly and I'm going to file through on that commitment, because I did make it to her, okay. Thirdly, I do things based on priority, okay, and I brought my wife, she's here in the audience today, she beat Kidney Cancer in the past year and a half, she had a total knee replacement. That's my #1 priority. Contrary to popular belief about people saying I'm lying about building a fence, that's my #1 priority. And I'm going to spend my money based on my priority with her. Okay! My other issues are, has been dealing with this thing for 29 years, okay, 29 years, with my neighbors. Okay, in 2005, Hurricane Katrina came in place and they actually put the line of demarcations together and defined where my trailer park starts, where it ends and its completely fenced in. As per the guidelines. Outside that fence, is two (2) trailers, the regulation says; that units must be of abutting residential neighborhoods. I'll define it for you guys in my presentation, and we're going go through it one item at a time. Those two (3) trailers are abutting vacant lots. There's a paved street in between two (2) vacant lots and trailers that they live in, okay. If you got an issue with a neighbor, you call 911. You don't fault the landlord, because he have a occupied space for those people. If somebody urinate on your property, I can't control that, and a fence won't control that either, okay. The guidelines says my RV Park should be fenced in. And it is. The surrounding properties, not just the Harper's property, two (2) strips of property over are trailers. I asked Planning & Zoning, I said, how many trailers come through the trailer park? 2, 3, they couldn't define that. I said, where does my trailer park starts, where does it end? They couldn't define that either. Because I know where it starts, where FEMA draw the line marked demarcation. That's where it starts that's where it ends, and it follows the guidelines. It's completely fenced in, those two (2) trailers are outside the fence for 29 years. And they've been complaining. Okay, they live in trailers. I want to give you guys these presentations, please take your time and go through it. We're going to go through it one by one at a time here, okay."

Councilman Malik asked, "Who owns the two (2) trailers that are on the outside?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "I own the two (2) trailers the side."

Councilman Malik stated, "You do, okay."

Lionel Bailey stated, "And a house as well."

Councilman Malik asked, "And that's part of the L&L Court?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "It's part of the property, but it's not part of the trailer park."

Councilman Malik asked, "Who lives in those?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "I'm sorry!"

Councilman Malik asked, "Who lives in them?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "I rent it to people."

Councilman Malik stated, "Okay."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Yes sir, I rent to people yes."

Councilman Malik stated, "Yes."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Yes."

Councilman Malik stated, "Okay."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Okay, and I got a couple of other statements I wrote on my telephone here. This commitment was made again to an individual, that I greatly admire. And I made a commitment to her and I'm a do that fence, and it's being done. Okay, and I mentioned about my wife in the audience. And Mr. Becnel, before I castigate you, I cannot castigate you without berating, berating Planning & Zoning, and then following guidelines without spending time to interpret regulations. Okay. Prior to me working for the parish and my previous employment, my employment was to look into guidelines, review them, and determine the impact on their industrial developments, and industrial facilities. So, I know how to analyze regulations. And in doing so, let's look at this list I just gave you. Perception vs Reality - Questions to consider: Real need based on regulations or inconsistent enforcement. Misinterpretation of nebulous regulations, following through on a commitment that I'm doing. The real reason for this item to even be on the agenda, okay? Section 113-270; Location criteria; performance standards. Any portion of a mobile home park abutting any existence residential use (property) shall be screened by one of the following: A six (6) foot, 100% obscuring fence; or a dense evergreen foliage maintained to a minimum height of six (6) feet. Definition - Residential use property; Residential property is a building that is used or suitable for use as a dwelling, or is in the process of being constructed or adapted for use as a dwelling; this includes any buildings or structures on such land...

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "Mr. Bailey, yeah Mr. Bailey let me cut you off here."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Okay, go head."

Councilman Malik asked, "Who's assessing the fine?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "The Assessor's office I'm assuming."

Councilman Malik asked, "Okay the Assessor's office. Okay, you're saying that you've got a 180-degree perimeter fencing?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "Yes!"

Councilman Malik asked, "Who actually came out from the parish and said you don't have a fence?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "And that's what bothers me, and not just that! The, look in my presentation, the original permit given to FEMA to build that park is still sitting on the pole that it was placed on."

Councilman Malik stated, "Okay...you have a..."

Natalie Robottom interrupting asked, "Can I answer you Mr. Malik?"

Councilman Malik stated, "Yes. Yeah please, yes ma'am."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Actually it was a code violation again, Mr. Pastorek is not here. It starts with Alex, and it's gone through Kristi and Rene, but there were several hearings, and the judgement was by the Administrative Hearing Judge, that a fence was to be built. So, in the fines associated with that were also base on that hearing. So, Planning & Zoning is actually following the judgement results of the hearing. And there were several hearings, there were some delays there were some extensions, there you know..."

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "Like always in court."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Right!"

Councilman Malik stated, "Yeah, yes ma'am."

Natalie Robottom stated, "However, the bottom line was that the judgement was that a fence would be built and there was a timeframe, and I understand Mr. Bailey, and again, this is not related to his employment, however, we're following your Ordinances. Which gives him his due process, we went to the hearing and we're following what the judgement was. I understand his explanations are fine, but we're following that office is following what the Administrative Hearing Officer determined to be valid based on the information provided by all sides. And that's what we're following."

Lionel Bailey stated, "And I want to piggy-back on what she just mentioned, and we often time respond based on information we have available to us, and it's unfortunate, okay. Ms. Alex Carter started this, and I know that some segments of Government that does not move unless it's being pushed by a Council member. Okay, we've had four (4) Council members, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Rainey, Mr. Smith. Four (4) Parish Presidents, Mr. Labat, Mr. Monica, Mr. Hubbard, Ms. Robottom finishing it, and three (3) Planning & Zoning Directors, Mr. Adrienne Labat..."

Councilman Malik interrupting asked, "They have done what?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "Did not pursue this for 29 years..."

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "Pursue for 29 years!"

Lionel Bailey stated, "You know why? Because of nebulous guidelines. Those regulations with Planning & Zoning need to be revitalized..."

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "Okay, okay, yes."

Councilman Snyder stated, "I just want to make sure that I got an understanding here, because it's my first-time hearing about this. And I can, so those two (2) trailers that are outside, were they there during FEMA the time, when FEMA put this, this, boundaries up there?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "Yes sir. Those two (2) trailers been there since I bought the property in 1990."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Well then, why won't they cover the three if FEMA say they need to be, they need to be..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "It wasn't part of the park..."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Huh?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "They was not part of the park. FEMA came in and went to the Assessor's office, and made the determination where the park starts, where it ends."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Right!"

Lionel Bailey stated, "And they fenced it in, without skewing fencing from front to back! Three and a half acres."

Councilman Snyder asked, "And FEMA drew it up and it was those two (2) trailers outside the drawing?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "Yes, yes, because they were there before FEMA developed the park."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Right."

Lionel Bailey stated, "That's right."

Councilman Snyder asked, "Okay so this was individual properties or it was the same piece of property?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "Same strip of property. But FEMA came in and designed the park."

Councilman Snyder stated, "Okay, so we're saying that our Administrative Hearing, they looked at all this information and they came up with a plan and say; well, you need to put the fence further, and that's where we are right now?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "No Mr. Snyder you know, it's ironic you mention that. This is the very first forum, Mr. Bailey have had the chance to explain anything. But I know, that that segment of Government works based on what Administration is working, is recommending. The young lady sat there, her and I talked after the hearings and all, you know, and look, you do your job, her job was to do what Administration say do. But again, if you read those regulations, as I read them, and analyze them and thermalize them, digest them, those regulations are nebulous and they wanted me to put a fence to cover two (2) trailers, when people surrounding me, got three (3) and four (4) trailers on property. They have not been able to define Mobile Home Districts, RV Parks, those regulations are so nebulous and so just, so undefined..."

Councilman Snyder interrupting stated, "I think we have, that we do have an Ordinance that tell us what is; an RV Park, an RV Park, and we have that and trailer park, and private property. But this Council here, the one makes the approval to trailers being displaced in different areas..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "Yes, yes."

Councilman Snyder interrupting stated, "And that's probably why you got couple of trailers on properties you know..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "God, Jesus Christ, yes, yes!"

Councilman Snyder interrupting stated, "You're saying that it's nebulous and we don't have a clear-cut path..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "That's, that's right!"

Councilman Snyder stated, "You know and I don't quite agree with that, I don't think over years we've did some things, this Council and all the other Councils, have approved trailers and things like that. But I just want to make sure I go an understanding of what's going on here..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "Right, right, right!"

Councilman Snyder stated, "And I do understand the plight of these people over here, with all these things are happening, cuz I get the same thing back in Cambridge back there..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "Yes, yes, yes, yes!"

Councilman Snyder stated, "You know people doing anything they want to do in the streets."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Yes, yes. Well the thing is, but do you recommend them put up a fence? I mean, if you if I'm required to put a fence up to cover two (2) trailers, why not the other people living the adjacent property put up fences as well? Okay, that, that's my dilemma, I mean I have two (2) trailers outside of a fenced property. But we got three (3) trailers, we got three (3) trailers..."

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "Yes sir, yes sir, I understand that but, but we're not going to discuss what goes on in the rest [CROSSTALK] this is a very narrow scope."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Mr. Bailey, you were in the process in the due process when the hearing, you was there?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "I'm sorry, yes."

Councilman Perrilloux asked, "And the judgement was for you to put a fence? Did you agree at that time?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "I had no other choice. But guess what..."

Councilman Perrilloux interrupting asked, "But if you agreed at the time [CROSSTALK]..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "But I'm doing the fence Mr. Perrilloux, I'm doing the fence..."

Councilman Perrilloux interrupting stated, "But I mean you agreed at that time with a Hearing Judge, and I think that the fence should've just been put. Here, I have the same problem as Mr. Snyder say he have in Cambridge. You know, I got a person renting houses out, and the community is up roar. I've talked to Tricia Henderson, over people that's renting his houses on vouchers, report them she take' m out the system. I even had the neighbors want a sign a petition to keep him from renting houses. He came to me, what should I do? I say, you got bad people in your house, you need to screen them. It's not all about the money, it's who you put in got to live next to these people. If this is going on with harassment, then you as a landlord in my opinion, I would put the fence up. Because you went through the due process, I mean fence boards are a \$1.19 at Home Depot at the end of the season, and you told me cuz, and 'Thank God' your wife is doing fine cuz you and I talked about that already. Cuz I didn't know anything about this till I saw it on the agenda last week..."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Uhm, uhm, uhm, uhm."

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "Yeah! I think one of the problems that we're having here, and I don't mean to cut you off. One of the problems that we're having here is, we're talking about something that goes back as far as..."

Councilman Perrilloux interrupting stated, "29 years..."

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "For 29 years..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "29 years, yes."

Councilman Malik stated, "Right, and I don't think we're going to have, we don't have the background information that we really need. And the other thing is this has already been adjudicated by a Judge."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Right, uhm, uhm! By, by, okay, by Administrative Hearing..."

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "By an Administrative Judge. So, I think what's going to happen here is...oh I'm sorry. You still have the floor Mr. Perrilloux. I'm sorry."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "So, but in my, what I'm saying is; just to appease and make peace in the neighborhood, how much fence we're talking about?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "Oka

Councilman Perrilloux interrupting stated, "Cuz I'm not familiar..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "If you look at..."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Me visually can't see this unless I go over there and see it..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "Okay, what I wanted to do was go over through the whole power point presentation, and I know I'm not allowed that kind of time, but, look a this. If you look at the last couple of pages of my package, you will

*see the fence is being built. I elected not to put up a wooden fence, because I want to enhance the quality and value of my property. So, I decide to put up a metal corrugated fence. I spent \$5100.00, right now to cover a total of 130-feet, I have another 170-feet more to go! I could, I even got used panels, I don't want to just throw anything up there. I want to take my time and build a fence proper, but at the same token, I'm not going use my resources to hurry-up and build a fence based on some complaint from a neighbor. I'm a build it based on daily resources, and the availability of my carpenter."*

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "And I understand that, but you don't have a timeline at this moment?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "Look, I made a commitment to somebody, I'm a do that fence."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Ok."

Lionel Bailey stated, "I also made a commitment that I'm a do that fence probably before the end of the year. Cuz at the same token, I don't want a Council Member or a Parish Administrator, to get me a timeline based on their understanding on what I need on nebulous guidelines."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "And I can't speak...like I say, I can't speak for the last 29 years or previous Council Members, because I know and I ain't going say Kurt did anything wrong, because we are...me, I'm a use me. I report something on a resident calling me with a complaint, so I report the complaint..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "Right, right!"

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "The last Councilman before me probably didn't do it..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "Right!"

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "But I report all complaints to whoever I need to report to administration, and then I follow-up in two (2) weeks to see where we're at, and are we doing something about it. And if we can't then I get back with the resident tell them we can't do nothing about it. So, I'm not going say what Haston, and Rainey, and all of them did before, I'm not going say that because I know this is what I do. And I know the rest of these Council, I know Mr. Madere for sure..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "I can appreciate you comment. Again..."

Councilman Perrilloux interrupting stated, "To me, and I understand this...I see what you put in here because it's just not a wood fence. But to keep peace in the neighborhood and enhance your area, you know I would say, me I would just say put the fence, but it's a financial thing to and I know what you was going through."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Mr. Perrilloux, you know again."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Right."

Lionel Bailey stated, "If we had guidelines..."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Right."

Lionel Bailey stated, "And enforcement was pursued consistently throughout the parish, I wouldn't personally have a problem. We got inconsistent enforcement, okay, definitely got inconsistent enforcement throughout the parish, there are other RV Parks, other trailer parks, much larger than mines, abutting residential neighborhoods that don't have fences. Okay, my thing is this, my thing is this, you know I'm putting up a fence, I don't need anyone to give me a time constraint as to when to put it up because somebody's complaining."

Councilman Perrilloux stated, "Correct! So, so, have you had conversation with those tenants?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "Look, you know and I don't like to make things personal..."

Councilman Perrilloux interrupting stated, "No you don't have to say it here, we can talk off the camera."

Lionel Bailey stated, "I don't want to make it personal, but those people that they're complaining about, been living in their trailer for 29 years. Okay! The one in front of that is a vacant one that I rent to the construction workers every now and then. But they have personal issues with that group of people, they have class issues, they think they're above those people, and I don't like that kind of stuff. You know they live in a trailer as well, a mobile home as well, okay, and they're making those kinds of complaints. I don't make any kind and another reason you just made the comment about why the other Councilmen didn't do it? Again, I don't want to make it personal, but there's an arterial motive as to why this being pushed by Mr. Becnel

Councilman Perrilloux interrupting stated, "Well I can't..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "And I'm going to leave it at that Mr. Becnel..."

Councilman Malik stated, "Okay."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Okay, I don't want to get personal with you, okay? I don't want to do that."

Councilman Becnel stated, "You just did..."

Councilman Malik stated, "We're not going to we're not going to do that here."

Councilman Becnel stated, "You just did."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Go head Mr. Malik."

Councilman Becnel stated, "But I'm going to have a comment. I want to comment!"

Councilman Madere stated, "Wait hold up...okay, several things. Okay, let me just explain something about Planning & Zoning. Planning & Zoning is put in place, you understand, and they cover a large variety of things. You know, abandoned cars, trailer parks, cutting grass and everything, and they based on complaints. So, a citizen do have the right to complain about the grass next door, abandoned cars next door, abandoned houses next door, trailer parks and light. Okay, my issue is this; if I'm renting a trailer or if I own a trailer park, and I'm renting trailers to people and I'm next door and have people who live next door to them, if I know that these individuals in that trailer park is being disrespectful or

threatening people and everything, I don't want them in my trailers. And I'll get rid of them, I don't care if they've been there 30 years, or find out that's what's happening with them, they got to go! Because they should sign...

Lionel Bailey's interrupting stated, "They own the trailer."

Councilman Madere stated, "Let me finish. They should sign some type a, in that agreement it should be based on how they handle themselves in the community, and with the people. Okay..."

Lionel Bailey's interrupting stated, "Mr., Mr., they own the trailer Mr. Madere."

Councilman Madere stated, "Wait, wait, wait, wait, wait, let me finish, let me finish. They own the trailer but they don't own the spot. You say it's in your trailer park, right? You're renting the spot. Okay, so they ought to put the wheels on their trailer and roll that out to if they're not doing what they supposed to do. Okay, they don't own the land they own the trailer. Okay so, regardless to whether I own it or they own it, that's going be something in place on their behavior. And if/as the owner, if I think they're not living up to that contract, I'll tell them put some wheels on it and roll it out. Okay, so you can't have people that you're renting to disrespecting people in the neighborhood and everything like that. So, I definitely disagree with that. Now, on your point-what constitute a trailer park, you mentioned three (3) trailers, but those three (3) trailers are probably owned by individual, or they owned by one individual? Okay, just because it's three (3) trailers next to door to each other, it could be three (3) individual owners, so that is not a trailer park. A trailer park consists of, either you own the land or you own all the trailers, that would be a trailer park. Now, if a person had owned all three (3) of the trailers, then you could technically say it's a mini trailer park, because he owns all three (3) of them. But if I have three (3) trailers and they're owned by Tom, Dick and Harry, you understand that's not a trailer park, that's individual property individual houses, so that is not a trailer park. So, that don't come into play those three (3) trailers. Okay, the other thing is, okay you agreed to put the fence up, okay and what you and I think what you're disagreeing about, is the timeframe they're putting on you as to when you have to have it done. Okay, I think that's what the most problem you have is they telling you it must be done by a certain time, or you're getting fined. Okay, that's, that's a, fines are part of this whole thing, because if you don't have some fines to level against some individuals, and I'm not saying you, but some individuals don't live up to what they say they're going to do. So, the alternative is, a fine. Okay, and I understand that your wife been sick and you haven't been able to do it. Okay, and that's when you come back and ask for an extension, okay based on some medical problems or something like that. And then they would give you an extension, I know they would okay! They should you know, they should give you an extension based if you got proof if you know on medical and stuff like that. Okay, but the intent is that the fence got to go up, okay, it got to go up. But I think it's some problem with the communication and the problem I think that the biggest problem I think you have is the timeframe that they gave you to do it. Okay, I'm right with that?"

Lionel Bailey stated, "You're right with that. I have two comments; okay the trailer, one of the trailers is owned by an individual, he rented space..."

Councilman Madere stated, "Right!"

Lionel Bailey stated, "The other trailer, I own. Those are the two (2) trailers

we're talking about...

Councilman Madere stated, "Right!"

Lionel Bailey stated, "My trailer park is fenced in."

Councilman Madere stated, "Right! Well I'm not concerned about the trailer park that's fenced in. We're talking about the issue that's not fenced in..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "Right, right."

Councilman Madere stated, "And I go back to what I said, one is renting the trailer and one is renting the space."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Uhm."

Councilman Madere stated, "They still controlled by me."

Lionel Bailey stated, "Right!"

Councilman Madere stated, "So, if that one who's renting that space, if they're doing something that I that is detrimental to my trailer park, or to me as an owner, put the wheels on it, hook up a truck and roll it out. Okay, because I can rent that space, that's what I would do to those individuals, okay..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "You know, she made a comment about her husband whatever, I was out there putting up a fence myself prior to this fence here, you know how many times I had to call the cops because this guy refused to let me put my foot on his side of the property to put the post in the ground. I mean you know, it, it, it's been a 29-year battle. That's why I decided to put the fence up. I'm tired of the battle..."

Councilman Madere interrupting stated, "But look, I understand that, I understand that, but I understand that, what you said that's still if the cop came out there, they would tell you get back on your side. Hahaha, that's all I could say..."

Lionel Bailey interrupting stated, "If the cop came out there, with their issues hey that's a complaint, what can we do?"

Councilman Madere stated, "Yeah but I'm just saying, you know they do have the right you know, or even though it may sound ticky-tacky, cuz you were on your side putting a pole, the cop would tell you put the pole from your side. That's what they would tell you. Okay, because it's their property. But you know, the bottom line you know, say they have to come to some type of agreement, because obviously and I do agree with you on this, they do have trailer parks in this area, okay throughout this parish that don't have the proper fence and all according to the code, I understand that. But, like I said, Planning & Zoning is based on a complaint type situation. So if someone was to complain about those trailer parks, they would be ha

Lionel Bailey stated, "

**Lennix Madere - Update on 219 Homewood demolition, status of E. 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and grant info**

Councilman Madere stated, "Yeah, Homewood demolition status. I passed over there and a..."

Councilman Malik interrupting stated, "Looking good."

Councilman Madere stated, "Yeah, it's looking good. Okay they went back and spread everything. I only have one question, when we have these houses knocked down, demolished, who is responsible to go out there and look at the final inspection? The Code Enforcement Officer or who go out there and make sure that they done it right before we pay them?"

Natalie Robottom stated, "[Microphone was not on to understand]. This was a I think a quote system, so whoever is responsible for assigning and verifying for payment, and I don't know who that is-it might be Rene or somebody in his..who is it?"

Robert Figuero stated, "It was Kristi."

Natalie Robottom stated, "It's Kristi."

Councilman Madere stated, "Okay, and I hope they take pictures of that."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Yes, they're usually photographs of the work before they're paid."

Councilman Madere stated, "Before and after."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Before and after, yes."

Councilman Madere stated, "Okay, alright, and the other thing was on East 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Rene not here to give an update on that. Because, I requested that South Central Planning would go out and inspect that building again, they did it twice before, once they said it needed to be demolished, and the second time they said it could be renovated, but at an extreme large amount of money. Okay so, and the reason why I asked for them to go back and look at that building, because at the last meeting it was said that the building wasn't in danger of collapsing, but it is. Okay especially the inside, the outside structure looks pretty good because it's brick on the outside, but you have to go in the inside to actually see the beams and overhead and everything. So, I'm just asking that you know Rene get South Central out there to go look at that, and to re-evaluate that building you understand, because it's been ordered torn down, repaired, and torn down, repaired, so we have to come to an agreement on it. And I know you're familiar with Mr. Robert Lucien, okay, so don't owe him no favors."

#### **Lennix Madere - Update on water leaks E. 23<sup>rd</sup> Street**

Reed Alexander stated, "As previously stated at the November 12th Council meeting, the work order list is being prioritized by the Utilities Department and being fixed with a contractor."

Councilman Madere stated, "You mean prioritized, you mean by order the calls came in?"

Reed Alexander stated, "Severity, severity, in the order the calls came in. Yes."

Councilman Madere stated, "Okay."

Reed Alexander stated, "I actually have two crews coming out tomorrow on our day off to fix leaks."

Councilman Madere stated, "Okay well, the only thing when you said 'Severity', when we have really bad leaks, we get an email from Baileigh or somebody saying an Emergency Repair. Okay so, we haven't I think we had I think two (2) or three (3) in the last few weeks..."

Reed Alexander interrupting stated, "I think we had more than that, but ok!"

Councilman Madere stated, "Yeah, I think one (1) or two (2) in the last few weeks. They had boil water issues and stuff, so those are major leaks, right?"

Reed Alexander stated, "We had a boil water just this week on the West Bank. Yeah."

Councilman Madere stated, "That's what I'm saying, that's a major leak."  
Natalie Robottom stated, "Not necessarily."

Councilman Madere stated, "Not necessarily, not all the time."

Reed Alexander stated, "We don't put a boil on the water protocol list."

Councilman Madere stated, "Not all the time. What I'm saying is...go head."

Natalie Robottom stated, "Typically those or there's a break or something happens, that's not a typical leak. When they're making those calls with no notice, typically there's some type of break that risk the rest of the system being lost unless it's repaired. So, that's probably our worst ones that you know are unscheduled, but have to be dealt with quickly, but I think he's talking about and I mean saw one...what last week, you know. You're leak versus one that we saw

Reed Alexander stated, "

Natalie Robottom stated, "

**Stacey Cador - Mandatory Trainings (Ethics, Preventing Sexual Harassment, Campaign Finance Disclosure Acts)**

Stacey Cador stated, "Public servants and elected officials are required to take one (1) hour of training on the Code of Governmental Ethics and a minimum of one (1) hour of education on preventing sexual harassment during each full calendar year of his/her public employment or term of office. Supervisors and persons designated to accept or investigate complaints of sexual harassment are required to receive additional education and training. Elected officials are additionally required to receive one (1) hour of training per term of office on the Campaign Finance Disclosure Acts. Failure to obtain the required training can result in findings for the Parish's annual audit, thus we are making a final push to get employees and Council members to satisfy these requirements."

There was no executive session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Parish Buildings - Security

Any and all pending legal matters

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

- 19-51** An ordinance approving the rezoning of Lots A & A-1-A of the New Era Plantation Subdivision generally bounded by the Y.&M.V. Railroad, West Second Street, and Water Plant Road from the Residential District One (R-1) to the Rural District (RURAL), LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA, shown in Exhibit 1 attached (PZR-19-1170) (N. Robottom)
- 19-52** An ordinance approving a one-time expansion of a non-conforming use, as per Sec. 113-49(g) (3), on a portion of the Celestin Jacob Tract, located in the area generally bounded by LA Hwy. 61, KCS Railroad, Hands Dr., and Steven Dr., Reserve, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA, as shown in Exhibit 1 attached (PZR-19-1168) (N. Robottom)
- 19-53** An ordinance amending the St. John the Baptist Parish Code of Ordinance, Chapter 113 - Zoning, specifically those provisions related to mobile vendors with the intent of permitting the legal and predictable operation of certain types of such uses, as well to provide for related matters. (Parish wide, Docket No. TXT-19-02) (N. Robottom)
- 19-54** An ordinance amending St. John the Baptist Parish Code of Ordinances, specifically those provisions related to stormwater Management and low impact development, with the intent of Clarifying stormwater management design standards and procedures and to provide for related matters (Parish wide, Docket No. TXT-19-03) (N. Robottom)

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 8:42 PM, Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed with Councilwoman Hotard Gaudet absent.

/s/Thomas Malik  
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

/s/Jackie Landeche  
COUNCIL SECRETARY

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