

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 5, 2016

The St. Martin Parish Council met in Regular Session convened at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 5, 2016, Carroll J. Fuselier Meeting Room, St. Martin Parish Annex Building, 301 West Port Street, St. Martinville, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jason Willis.

The Invocation was read by Laci Laperouse, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led Dean LeBlanc.

The following members were present: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr. Members absent: Byron Fuselier (excused). Also present: Parish President Guy Cormier and Legal Counsel Chester Cedars.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Jill Hebert to approve the minutes of the St. Martin Parish Council Regular Meeting of March 1, 2016.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

Parish President Guy Cormier presented a check in the amount of \$20,000.00, in behalf of St. Martin Parish Government, to Shanese L. Lewis, Executive Director, accepting in behalf of St. Martin Council on Aging. These funds will help with general and transportation expenses. Ms. Lewis thanked Parish President Guy Cormier for the support.

Special Business Item A.) Council to consider granting a variance to rezone property located at 1232 Banker Road, St. Martinville, Louisiana, from C-1 (Commercial-Light District) to C-2 (Commercial-General District), to allow for a bar to be opened. Several members of the audience requested to speak on this matter. The following individuals stated their opposition in the rezoning request:

Linda Levert
1177 H Pine Alley
St. Martinville, Louisiana 70582

Gary Carter
1038 Banker Road
St. Martinville, Louisiana 70582

The following individuals spoke in support of the rezoning request:

Brenda James
1014 Francis Loop
St. Martinville, Louisiana 70582

Anthony Stewart
1236 E Banker Road
St. Martinville, Louisiana 70582

Kenneth James
1012 B Francis Loop
St. Martinville, Louisiana 70582

Legal Counsel Chester Cedars gave a brief history on this matter, which has previously appeared before the Planning Commission and the Council. Legal Counsel Chester Cedars stated the Planning Commission voted unanimously against this rezoning request at a previous Planning Commission Meeting and cautioned the Council in overriding the decision the Commission has made. After a lengthy discussion amongst Council Members, Parish President Guy Cormier, Legal Counsel Chester Cedars and members of the audience, it was determined the variance to rezone property located at 1232 Banker Road, St. Martinville, Louisiana to allow for a bar be denied.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Neil Thibodeaux to deny the request to rezone property from C-1 (Commercial-Light District) to C-2 (Commercial-General District), to allow for a bar to be opened.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

Legal Counsel Chester Cedars clarified that this motion was to deny the rezoning request for property located at 1232 Banker Road, St. Martinville, Louisiana 70582.

Special Business Item B.) Council to consider granting a variance to allow for the storage of mulch (wood chips), under the W-1 (Woodland/Flood Plain Restricted Conservation area) zoning classification, only on property located at 1332 Aubrey Ozenne Road, Lot 101. Peter Foti requested to speak in behalf of the Planning Commission. Mr. Foti asked that the Commission be allowed the opportunity to address this request, as he thinks this would actually need to be rezoned to I-3 (Heavy Industrial Restricted). Legal Counsel Chester Cedars mentioned he was contacted by Council Member Dean LeBlanc to further research if this would classify as an I-3 (Heavy Industrial Restricted) zoning district. Although Legal Counsel Chester Cedars does not feel this property would need to be rezoned to I-3 (Heavy Industrial Restricted), to allow for wood chips to be stored on the property, he would further research and asked the Council to give him some time to do so. If in fact his findings show the property needs to be rezoned, then the property owner would need to go before the Planning Commission; if not, the Council will need to act as a Board of Adjustment to grant the variance under the W-1 (Woodland/Flood Plain Restricted Conservation area) zoning classification. After discussion amongst the Council Members and Legal Counsel Chester Cedars, it was recommended by Council Member Lisa Nelson to defer this matter to allow Legal Counsel Chester Cedars more time to research this matter. Property owner Jeremy Frederick was present at the meeting.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Lisa Nelson to defer this matter until further research could be done.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Jill Hebert to open the Public Hearing to obtain public comments regarding ordinances being considered for final adoption.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tausin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

(Parish President Guy Cormier stepped out at 5:45 p.m.)

Chairman Jason Willis asked for public comments regarding proposed ordinances being considered for final adoption.

Clerk of the Council Laci Laperouse read each ordinance summary.

(Parish President Guy Cormier returned at 5:47 p.m.)

After reading Ordinance Summary No. 1134-OR (An Ordinance to amend Chapter 20 of Article VI of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances by the repeal, amendment, revision, and/or re-enactment of 20-174 of the said Chapter 20 of Article VI, all relative to the operation of video draw poker devices within St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.), several members of the audience requested to speak on this item.

The following individuals spoke in favor of Ordinance Summary No. 1134-OR:

Glenn Angelle
1011 Berard Street
Breux Bridge, Louisiana 70517

Damon Baldone
4107 Bayou Black Drive
Houma, Louisiana 70364

Randy Angelle
1039 Spanish Moss
Breux Bridge, Louisiana 70517

The following individuals stated their opposition of Ordinance Summary No. 1134-OR:

Pastor Rodney Chitwood
1046 Petite Road
St. Martinville, Louisiana 70582

Steve Oats
616 Myrtle Place
Lafayette, Louisiana 70506

Stan Guidroz
508 West Bayou Parkway
Lafayette, Louisiana 70503

Bryan Bush
Post Office Box 14649
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898

Cearly Fontenot
100 East Vermilion Street, Suite 400
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

Council Member Albert Menard thanked all parties for their input and concerns about this item. Council Member Albert Menard did mention that he is in favor of this amendment, as this would allow for a business to open and clean up what is now an eyesore, in his district. (*Chairman Jason Willis stepped out at 6:29 p.m.*) A brief discussion ensued amongst Legal Counsel Chester Cedars and Council Member Albert Menard regarding state and local laws. (*Chairman Jason Willis returned at 6:30 p.m.*) A discussion amongst Council Member Albert Menard, Parish President Guy Cormier and fellow Council Members was had, considering why nothing has been done in the past to this nuisance property. After requests to speak again from Attorney Randy Angelle and Attorney Steve Oats, Legal Counsel Chester Cedars asked that the meeting be recessed so that he could discuss legal matters with both attorneys.

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Albert Menard to allow for a recess at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Albert Menard to call the meeting back to order.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

Upon requesting and hearing no further comments from the audience regarding the proposed ordinances being considered for final adoption, the Chairman requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Albert Menard that the Public Hearing be closed.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

On a motion made by Albert Menard and no second, the request to adopt Ordinance Summary No. 1134-OR failed.

SUMMARY NO. 1134-OR

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 20 OF ARTICLE VI OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES BY THE REPEAL, AMENDMENT, REVISION, AND/OR RE-ENACTMENT OF 20-174 OF THE SAID CHAPTER 20 OF ARTICLE VI, ALL RELATIVE TO THE OPERATION OF VIDEO DRAW POKER DEVICES WITHIN ST. MARTIN PARISH, LOUISIANA.

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, duly convened in regular session on the 5th day of April, 2016, that:

Chapter 20 of Article VI of the Code of Ordinances for St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, be amended by the repeal, revision, enactment, and/or re-enactment of Section 20-174 thereof as follows:

Section 20-174. Location.

(a) In accordance and consistent with La.R.S. 27:416, no video draw poker device may be operated at a qualified truck stop facility unless that facility meets the requirements of La.R.S. 27:416(A) and is located in an area that is zoned locally for the operation of such businesses. The location of the facility shall include only that property which is adjoining to a major state or interstate highway as defined by the Video Gaming Division of the Gaming Enforcement Section of the Office of Louisiana State Police and has at least an 80,000 pound load limit. Within sixty (60) calendar days of the adoption of the ordinance from which this Chapter is derived, the Parish President shall have a map prepared specifically identifying the areas in which truck stops may be licensed, which map shall be submitted to and approved by the St. Martin Parish Council. Upon adoption, the map shall be signed by the Parish President and shall be known as the official video poker truck stop zoning map of the parish.

(b) Any qualified establishment within St. Martin Parish, and within one (1) mile of any prohibited property, shall have no more than three (3) video draw poker devices in operation. The measurement of the distance shall be a straight line from the nearest point of qualified establishment location to the nearest point of the property.

(c) Subsection b above shall not be applicable in any of the following instances:

- (1) Any qualified establishment situated within St. Martin Parish that was occupied by a qualified establishment with more than three (3) video draw poker devices in operation at the said establishment on the date this Section becomes effective shall be permitted to maintain greater than three (3) video poker devices despite the establishment's proximity to any prohibited property.
- (2) Moreover, the prohibition set forth in Subsection b shall not apply to a qualified establishment within St. Martin Parish if it is not situated within one (1) mile of any prohibited property that has more than three (3) video poker devices in operation when the subsequent construction, erection, development, or movement of any prohibited property causes the qualified establishment location to fall within one (1) mile of any prohibited property.
- (3) Any qualified establishment which proposes to operate a truck stop facility with greater than three (3) video draw poker devices at a location: a) from which a truck stop facility with greater than three (3) video draw poker devices was legally operated within three (3) years prior to August 4, 2015, or; b) from which any person, firm, or juridical entity had a validly issued license to operate such a truck stop facility at any time within three (3) years prior to August 4, 2015.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council that the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any provision, word, phrase, or clause of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof which can be afforded efficacy without the invalid provision or application.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective on the date signed by the Parish President, as provided by Section 2-12 of the Home Rule Charter of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

A motion was made by Neil Thibodeaux and seconded by Chris Tauzin that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-04-1135-OR

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE SPEED LIMIT FOR MOTOR VEHICLES ON PERCY DRIVE, LOCATED IN DISTRICT 4, SECTION 64, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 6 EAST, ST. MARTIN PARISH, LOUISIANA, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council that it shall be unlawful for any person to drive any motor vehicle on PERCY DRIVE in St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, at a speed in excess of 25 miles per hour;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any person violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction shall suffer a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$50.00 at the discretion of the Court;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of the St. Martin Parish Council and the signature of the Parish President.

This Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-04-1136-OR

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 15-05-1095-OR TO ADD TO THE ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT PAY SCHEDULE THE POSITIONS OF BUILDING PERMITS SUPERVISOR AND PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR, TO CHANGE THE POSITION OF MEDICAL SERVICES COORDINATOR TO MEDICAL SERVICES COORDINATOR/NURSE PRACTITIONER; AND, TO ASSIGN BOTH OF THE FORMER POSITIONS TO PAY RANGE 13, AND THE LATTER POSITION TO PAY RANGE 19.

WHEREAS, the Parish President and his administrative staff have determined that the issuance of building permits has become more complex and time consuming as a consequence of increased building code regulations and a more aggressive enforcement of zoning dictates; and

WHEREAS, the Parish President and his administrative staff seek to establish the position of "Building Permits Supervisor" to address the aforesaid issues; and

WHEREAS, the volume of public works projects have substantially increased as well as the need for the maintenance of current public works infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Parish President and his administrative staff have also concluded that the establishment of a position of "Public Works Supervisor" will enable Parish Government to more competently, efficiently, and expeditiously respond to and attend to the public works demands of the Parish; and

WHEREAS, the title of the current position of "Medical Services Coordinator" does not reflect accurately the duties and responsibilities which have been assigned to that position which now embraces the requirement of a medical/nursing degree and the rendering of healthcare services; and

WHEREAS, the Parish President and his administrative staff have determined that the title of the said position should be changed and the Pay Range of the Compensation Plan therefor revised to reflect the Pay Range 19; and

WHEREAS, the Parish President has recommended that the positions of Building Permits Supervisor and Public Works Supervisor should be assigned to Pay Range 13 of the Compensation Plan of the ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT.

BE IT, THEREFORE, ORDAINED that the ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT'S Rules and Procedures Manual be and is hereby amended as follows to reflect:

- A. The position of Building Permits Supervisor;
- B. The position of Public Works Supervisor; and,
- C. The changing of the position of Medical Services Coordinator to read as "Medical Services Coordinator/Nurse Practitioner".

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the positions of Building Permits Supervisor and Public Works Supervisor be assigned to Pay Range 13 of the Compensation Plan of the ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the position of Medical Services Coordinator/Nurse Practitioner be assigned to Pay Range 19 of the Compensation Plan of the St. Martin Parish Government.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of the St. Martin Parish Council and the signature of the Parish President.

This Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

- YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tausin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Daniel Richard, Jr. and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-04-1137-OR

AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW FOR THE REROUTING OF THE DRAINAGE SERVITUDE ON **MAIN (M-14)** OF THE DRAINAGE SYSTEM OF ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT FROM THE CURRENT STATUTORY LIMIT TO HEAD DIRECTLY SOUTH FROM MCVEIGH ROAD TO BAYOU VERMILION, WITH A SEVENTY (70) FOOT SERVITUDE ONLY ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN SECTION 38, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 5 EAST, ST. MARTIN PARISH, LOUISIANA, OWNED BY ACWAGLEY KIDS, L.L.C., AS DESCRIBED ON THE ATTACHED PLAT OF SURVEY DATED OCTOBER 22, 2015, AND PREPARED BY WIL J. GUIDRY, REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR.

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council that the Statutory Drainage Servitude on Main (M-14) is rerouted from the current statutory limit to head directly south from McVeigh Road to Bayou Vermilion, with a seventy (70) foot servitude only on property located in Section 38, Township 8 South, Range 5 East, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, owned by Acwagley Kids, L.L.C., as described on the attached plat of survey dated October 22, 2015, and prepared by Wil J. Guidry, Registered Professional Land Surveyor.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council that the Parish President is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents related to achieving this rerouting.

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of the St. Martin Parish Council and the signature of the Parish President.

This Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tausin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Christ Tauzin to allow discussion for Resolution Summary No. 024-RS.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

District 2 resident David Pugh spoke in opposition of this development, as it would affect his property. A discussion ensued amongst Parish President Guy Cormier, Legal Counsel Chester Cedars and members of the Council to clarify what this development is intended for and explained that further studies would need to be done since the last time this was discussed much development has happened.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Chris Tauzin that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-024-RS

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, is interested in extending Interstate Highway 49 from Lafayette to New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, the extension of this Interstate has the potential to have a significant impact on the economy of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development and the Lafayette Expressway Commission, have been working on a Western Loop around the City of Lafayette to accommodate traffic flow for the Interstate 49 corridor to Interstate 10; and

WHEREAS, a route on the Teche Ridge will provide an Eastern Loop around the City of Lafayette and would also enhance traffic flow for the Interstate 49 corridor to Interstate 10; and

WHEREAS, a route on the Teche Ridge will allow for Economic Development opportunities for the Acadiana and Louisiana economies; and

WHEREAS, a route on the Teche Ridge will allow for the quickest hurricane evacuation of central and eastern coastal Louisiana; namely, St. Martin, Iberia, Vermilion, Lafourche, Terrebonne, St. Charles, Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, and Plaquemines Parishes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council, convened in Regular Session, this 5th day of April, 2016, does hereby request that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the Federal Highway Administration, Governor John Bel Edwards, members of the Louisiana State House and Senate Delegation, and the Acadiana Planning Commission; strongly consider the Teche Ridge bypass as an extension of Interstate 49 project within Louisiana.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-025-RS

WHEREAS, a contract for the LCDBG Anse La Butte Water Distribution Project, was awarded to low bidder, Teche Construction Company, Inc., with a total bid in the amount of \$712,893.20; and

WHEREAS, Dubroc Engineering, Inc. has recommended Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$31,558.80 (increase); and

WHEREAS, Dubroc Engineering, Inc. has also recommended a contract time increase of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days due to weather delays.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize the Parish President to execute Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$31,558.80 (increase) and an increase for a contract time of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days for the LCDBG Anse La Butte Water Distribution Project, by Teche Construction Company, Inc.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-026-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council has a written report on illegal dumping of debris on property located in our parish, which the St. Martin Parish Planning and Zoning Coordinator has declared to be a public nuisance, and which he recommends demolition or removal of same; and

WHEREAS, being declared a “nuisance” entails any condition of or the use of any premises, buildings, or structures which:

1. Unreasonably causes or tends to cause substantial diminution in the value of the property of others in the neighborhood or vicinity in which, such premises, buildings or structure is located; or
2. Is unreasonably offensive to the senses or persons or ordinary sensibility; or
3. Is in any way dangerous to the health and safety of others.

WHEREAS, Kimberly Ledet is identified in the St. Martin Parish Assessor’s Office Tax Rolls as the owner of the property; and

WHEREAS, since the owner of the property located at 1040 Jeffery Broussard Road, Arnaudville, Louisiana, whereabouts are unknown, the Parish President must appoint an Attorney at Law upon whom the notice will be served.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martin Parish Council that Parish President Guy Cormier is hereby authorized to appoint an Attorney at Law upon whom notice will be served, since the owner of the property located at 1040 Jeffery Broussard Road, Arnaudville, Louisiana, whereabouts are unknown.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tausin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Dean LeBlanc that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-027-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council has a written report on construction debris and a dumpster in our parish, which the St. Martin Parish Planning and Zoning Coordinator has declared to be a public nuisance, and which he recommends demolition or removal of same; and

WHEREAS, being declared a “nuisance” entails any condition of or the use of any premises, buildings, or structures which:

1. Unreasonably causes or tends to cause substantial diminution in the value of the property of others in the neighborhood or vicinity in which, such premises, buildings or structure is located; or
2. Is unreasonably offensive to the senses or persons or ordinary sensibility; or
3. Is in any way dangerous to the health and safety of others.

WHEREAS, Kenneth Briggs, Briggs Developments, L.L.C. is identified in the St. Martin Parish Assessor’s Office Tax Rolls as the owner and/or caretaker of the properties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby condemn the following properties:

Located at Sandy Lane Lot 36, District 7 (Parcel ID # 04102A0527)

and Sandy Lane Lot 38, District 7 (Parcel ID # 04102A0629).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that employees of the St. Martin Parish Government, acting under direction of the Office of Parish President, and in accordance with the decision of the Parish Council, be authorized to adopt all steps necessary to address the debris and dumpster on said properties, which constitutes a nuisance.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-028-RS

WHEREAS, St. Martin Parish Government wishes to hire Mr. Russell Cormier (an independent contractor) for the duties related to the opening and closing for events scheduled at the Cade Community Center at 1688 Smede Highway, St. Martinville, Louisiana, and that he will work on as needed basis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Russell Cormier's annual contract is effective April 6, 2016, and will expire on April 6, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby approve and authorize Parish President Guy Cormier to execute a contract in behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government with Mr. Russell Cormier.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Dean LeBlanc that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-029-RS

WHEREAS, St. Martin Parish Government wishes to hire Mr. Henry Pickney (an independent contractor) for the duties related to the opening and closing for events scheduled at the Cade Community Center at 1688 Smede Highway, St. Martinville, Louisiana, and that he will work on as needed basis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Henry Pickney's annual contract is effective April 6, 2016, and will expire on April 6, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby approve and authorize Parish President Guy Cormier to execute a contract in behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government with Mr. Henry Pickney.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Neil Thibodeaux and seconded by Lisa Nelson that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-030-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has made an official call for bids for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the advertisement, sealed bids were opened on March 4, 2016, and two (2) complete bid packets were received for said project; and

WHEREAS, the bids were taken under advisement and have been analyzed by Comeaux Engineering & Consulting; and

WHEREAS, Comeaux Engineering & Consulting has recommended, in writing, the low bidder, Southern Constructors, L.L.C., in the amount of \$265,190.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby award the contract for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, to the low bidder, Southern Constructors, L.L.C., in the amount of \$265,190.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize Parish President Guy Cormier to sign all necessary contract documents to effect the award of this contract.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tausin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Chris Tausin and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-031-RS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martin Parish Council that Parish President Guy Cormier be and he is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in behalf of Project Front Yard - St. Martin Parish with TECHE Project to declare a partnership aimed at maintaining the clean Bayou Teche Watershed (the Bayou Teche from Port Barre to St. Martinville, and all land draining into it within St. Martin Parish) with defined geographical areas of responsibility.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tausin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-032-RS

WHEREAS, the nation’s 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe, vibrant and economically resilient communities; and

WHEREAS, St. Martin Parish and all counties/parishes take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, through National Association of Counties (NACo) President Sallie Clark’s “Safe and Secure Counties” initiative, NACo is encouraging counties to focus on strengthening the safety and security of their communities; and

WHEREAS, in order to remain healthy, vibrant, safe, and economically competitive, America’s counties provide public health, justice, emergency management and economic services that play a key role in everything from residents’ daily health to disaster response; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties/parishes across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public we serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council, in Regular Session convened this 5th day of April, 2016, does hereby proclaim the month of April 2016 as

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH

and encourage all county/parish officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county/parish government celebration activities.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

- YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Jill Hebert and seconded by Lisa Nelson that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-033-RS

WHEREAS, libraries provide free access to all– from books and online resources for families to library business centers that help support entrepreneurship and retraining; and

WHEREAS, our nation’s school, academic, public and special libraries make a difference in the lives of millions of Americans today, more than ever; and

WHEREAS, librarians are trained professionals, helping people of all ages and backgrounds find and interpret the information they need to live, learn and work in a challenging economy; and

WHEREAS, libraries are helping level the playing field for job seekers, with 88% of public libraries providing access to job databases and other online resources; and

WHEREAS, libraries are places of opportunity providing programs that teach all forms of literacy, promoting continuing education and encouraging lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, in times of economic hardship, Americans turn to – and depend on – their libraries and librarians; and

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council, in Regular Session convened this 5th day of April, 2016, does hereby proclaim the week of April 10-16, 2016, as

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

in St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, and does hereby encourage all residents to visit the library this week to take advantage of the wonderful library resources available at your library.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Lisa Nelson that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-034-RS

WHEREAS, the strength of our nation flows from the promise of individual equality and freedom of choice; and

WHEREAS, the Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans – individually and collectively – to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists. This law guarantees each citizen the critical, personal element of freedom of choice – selection of a home; and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the State of Louisiana, and implementation of that law requires the positive commitment, involvement, and support of each of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the departments and agencies of the St. Martin Parish Government are to provide leadership in an effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen to freely choose a home, will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council, in Regular Session convened this 5th day of April, 2016, does hereby proclaim the month of April 2016, as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, and does hereby encourage all citizens to abide by the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law, and ask the citizens of this Parish to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Neil Thibodeaux and seconded by Daniel Richard, Jr. that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-035-RS

WHEREAS, during the 2008 regular session of the legislature, House Bill No. 930 was passed by both the Louisiana Senate and House of Representatives and became ACT 373; and

WHEREAS, ACT No. 373 creates statewide integrated human service delivery systems; and

WHEREAS, Region IV would become a Human Service District, governed by a newly created Local Government Entity (LGE) with local accountability and management of behavioral health and developmental disability's services as well as public health or other services contacted to the district by the Department of Health and Hospitals; and

WHEREAS, in Region IV, these services are being provided in the parishes of Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin and Vermilion; and

WHEREAS, each LGE shall be governed by a board whose membership consists of residents of the respective regions and the number of members on the board shall consist of one representative from each parish in the region who is appointed by the local governmental authority and the membership shall also include three appointees by the governor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby appoint Mr. Ryan Verret to serve as a member on the Region IV LGE Board, representing St. Martin Parish. Said term is a three (3) year term expiring on March 3, 2019.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

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(Insert Resolution No. 16-036-RS)

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-036-RS

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REDEMPTION OF CERTAIN MATURITIES OF THE OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2014, OF THE PARISH OF ST. MARTIN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), that:

SECTION 1. There is hereby authorized and approved the redemption in advance of maturity of the Issuer's currently outstanding General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014, maturing from March 1, 2017 to March 1, 2026, inclusive (the "Series 2014 Bonds").

SECTION 2. The Series 2014 Bonds are hereby called for redemption on or after April 12, 2016 (the "Call Date"), at the principal amount thereof together with accrued interest to the Call Date, all in accordance with the ordinance adopted by the Parish Council authorizing the issuance of the Series 2014 Bonds. The Issuer shall apply the excess moneys in the sinking fund established and maintained for the payment of principal and interest falling due on the Series 2014 Bonds (the "Sinking Fund") to said redemption.

SECTION 3. A notice of redemption in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A shall be sent by the paying agent for the Refunded Bonds to the registered owners of the Refunded Bonds as the same appear on the registration books of said paying agent by means of first class mail, postage prepaid, Prior to the Call Date.

SECTION 4. This Governing Authority hereby finds and determines that it will be impractical for the Issuer to return any balance in the Sinking Fund to the taxpayers, and therefore, the moneys remaining in the Sinking Fund subsequent to the redemption provided for herein shall be used for the purpose of renovating and improving the St. Martin Parish courthouse, such purpose being similar to the purpose for which the bonds refunded by the Series 2014 Bonds were originally issued.

SECTION 5. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

NOTICE OF CALL FOR REDEMPTION

**GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2014
DATED AUGUST 7, 2014
MATURING MARCH 1 OF THE YEARS 2017 THROUGH 2026
OF THE
PARISH OF ST. MARTIN,
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a resolution adopted on April 5, 2016, by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), that \$5,070,000 of the outstanding General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014, of the Issuer, dated August 7, 2014, and maturing on March 1 of the years 2017 to 2026 (the "Series 2014 Bonds"), have been legally defeased and are hereby called for redemption on **April 12, 2016**, the Refunded Bonds being more fully described as follows:

<u>MATURITY DATE (MARCH 1)</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL AMOUNT</u>	<u>INTEREST RATE</u>
2017	\$ 440,000	2.140%
2018	450,000	2.140
2019	470,000	2.140
2020	485,000	2.140
2021	500,000	2.140
2022	510,000	2.140
2023	530,000	2.140
2024	545,000	2.140
2025	560,000	2.140
2026	565,000	2.140

No further interest will accrue and be payable on the Refunded Bonds from and after April 12, 2016. The foregoing Refunded Bonds should be surrendered for payment on April 12, 2016 at the offices of _____, paying agent for the Refunded Bonds, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof and accrued interest, if any, to the redemption date.

Withholding of 28% of gross redemption proceeds of any payment made within the United States may be required by the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003, unless the Paying Agent has the correct taxpayer identification number (social security or employer identification number) or exemption certificate of the payee.

PARISH OF ST. MARTIN, STATE OF LOUISIANA

By: /s/ Guy Cormier

Title: President

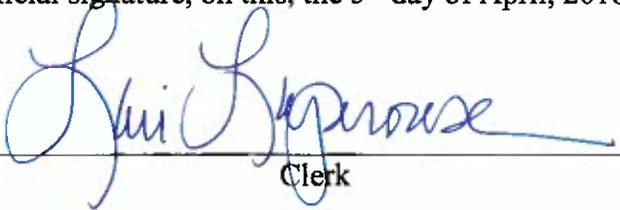
Dated: April 5, 2016

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. MARTIN

I, the undersigned Clerk of the St. Martin Parish Council, State of Louisiana (the "Parish Council"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by said Parish Council on April 5, 2016, authorizing the redemption of certain maturities of the outstanding General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014, of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature, on this, the 5th day of April, 2016.


Clerk

A motion was made by Jill Hebert and seconded by Lisa Nelson that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-037-RS

WHEREAS, in 1999 several parishes formed a non-profit organization, Coastal Coalition; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Coastal Coalition was to support the protection and restoration of the Louisiana coast; and

WHEREAS, records indicate that there has been little or no activity within the Coastal Coalition since approximately 2004; and

WHEREAS, there is \$5,873.46 in a bank account located at Gulf Coast Bank in Abbeville, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Vermillion Parish Police Jury has requested that Coastal Coalition be dissolved or that Vermillion Parish be allowed to withdraw from same and that the funds in the bank be refunded to the respective Parishes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martin Parish Council that Coastal Coalition be dissolved or that Vermillion Parish be allowed to withdraw from same and that the funds in the bank be refunded to the respective Parishes.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Daniel Richard, Jr. and seconded by Dean LeBlanc that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-038-RS

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO SIGN A MULTI-PARISH EMERGENCY MUTUAL AID AND ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARISHES OF JEFFERSON, ORLEANS, PLAQUEMINES, ST. BERNARD, ST. CHARLES, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, ST. TAMMANY, CALCASIEU, CAMERON, VERMILION, ST. MARTIN, IBERIA, ST. MARY, ASCENSION, ST. JAMES, LAFOURCHE, TERREBONNE, ASSUMPTION, LIVINGSTON, AND TANGIPAHOA FOR EMERGENCY MUTUAL AID AND ASSISTANCE.

WHEREAS, coastal Louisiana is geographically vulnerable to a variety of natural disasters;
and

WHEREAS, LSA-R.S. 29:726, 29:726.29:730.1 & 730.2 recognizes this vulnerability and provides that its intended purposes are to:

1. Reduce vulnerability of people and property of the region to damage, injury, and loss of life and property;
2. Prepare for prompt and efficient rescue, care and treatment to threatened or affected persons;
3. Provide for the rapid and orderly rehabilitation of persons and restoration of property;
4. Provide for cooperation and coordination of activities relating to emergency and disaster mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the State, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has recognized the importance of the concept of coordination between local governments;
and

WHEREAS, the entities which have chosen to become signatories to this agreement wish to provide emergency mutual aid and assistance amongst one another at the appropriate times;
and

WHEREAS, these agencies agree to enter into emergency mutual aid and assistance, with the attached agreement embodying the understanding, commitments, terms and conditions for said aid and assistance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martin Parish Council that Parish President Guy Cormier is hereby authorized to sign a Multi-Parish Emergency Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement between the Parishes of Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany, Calcasieu, Cameron, Vermilion, St. Martin, Iberia, St. Mary, Ascension, St. James, LaFourche, Terrebonne, Assumption, Livingston, and Tangipahoa for Mutual Aid and Assistance.

This agreement shall become effective immediately upon the Parish President signing the Emergency Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-039-RS

WHEREAS, St. Martin Parish Government wishes to hire Mr. Alonzo Shavers (an independent contractor) for the duties related to building maintenance, grounds custodial duties, any other reasonable duties and the opening and closing for events scheduled at the Cade Community Center at 1688 Smede Highway, St. Martinville, Louisiana and that he will work on as needed basis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Alonzo Shaver's annual contract is effective April 6, 2016, and will expire on April 6, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize Parish President Guy Cormier to execute a contract in behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government with Mr. Alonzo Shavers.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-040-RS

WHEREAS, a contract for the LCDBG Anse La Butte Water Distribution Project, was awarded to low bidder, Teche Construction Company, Inc., with a total bid in the amount of \$712,893.20; and

WHEREAS, Dubroc Engineering, Inc. has recommended Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$15,470.00 (increase).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize the Parish President to execute Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$15,470.00 (increase) for the LCDBG Anse La Butte Water Distribution Project, by Teche Construction Company, Inc.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,
Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Byron Fuselier (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 5th day of April, 2016.

Parish President Guy Cormier requested removing Ordinance Summary No. 1145-OR, as he was not ready to introduce at this time.

Clerk of the Council Laci Laperouse read ordinances introduced for publication, as follows:

SUMMARY NO. 1138-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance increasing the speed limit to 45 mph on Delcambre Road, located in District 5.

SUMMARY NO. 1139-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance increasing the speed limit to 45 mph on Clayton Castille Road, located in District 5.

SUMMARY NO. 1140-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance to allow for the reduction of the drainage servitude on Lateral (L-34D-1A-1) of the drainage system of St. Martin Parish Government from the current statutory limit of one hundred (100) feet to a limit of fifty (50) feet only on property where the Parish maintained canal traverses from the northern to the eastern portion of Delcambre Landing, located on the corner of Delcambre Road and Doyle Melancon Road (District 5), in Sections 55 and 147, Township 9 South, Range 6 East, St. Martin Parish, as described on the attached plat of survey dated March 21, 2016, and prepared by Mohammad S. Borazjani, Registered Professional Land Surveyor.

SUMMARY NO. 1141-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance to amend Article I of Chapter 28 of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances by the revision of Section 28-19 and the enactment of Sections 28-23 and 28-24 thereto, all relative to the times of use of all Parish owned, operated, and/or maintained parks and recreational centers/facilities.

SUMMARY NO. 1142-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 26, Article I, of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances by the enactment of Sections 26-8 and 26-9, all relative to the wearing of clothing which exposes undergarments or body parts.

SUMMARY NO. 1143-OR (Introduced by Daniel Richard, Jr., District 9)

An Ordinance providing for the lease purchase of two (2) Kobelco Model SK260LC Hydraulic Crawler Excavators, and to ratify any and all documents executed by Parish President Guy Cormier all relative to such lease.

SUMMARY NO. 1144-OR (Introduced by Jason Willis, District 3)

An Ordinance increasing the speed limit to 40 mph on Francis Loop, located in Districts 1 and 3.

Prior to adjournment, Legal Counsel Chester Cedars announced his retirement as of July 1, 2016, after serving the 16th Judicial District Court for 40 years. After a standing ovation, Parish President Guy Cormier, Director of Administration Fabian Tucker and Council Members spoke of their gratitude and appreciation for the great work and knowledge Legal Counsel Chester Cedars has given for not only St. Martin Parish Government, but also for the victims and their families that he has helped while serving as Assistant District Attorney. Legal Counsel Chester Cedars mentioned his wonderful staff, including Ms. Peggy Simon, who has been by his side for 30 years. Mr. Cedars stated he has worked alongside three Parish Presidents under the new form of government and explained that he must do this now, before the passion he has so deeply for this career goes out. Legal Counsel Chester Cedars expressed that it's time to give someone else a chance to come in and take over.

After a very emotional ending to the meeting, a motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Lisa Nelson that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby adjourn. Motion was unanimously approved.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:



LACI LAPEROUSE
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL