

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL

### REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 7, 2016

The St. Martin Parish Council met in Regular Session convened at 5:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 7, 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 by Chris Tauzin.

The following members were present: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard and Dean LeBlanc. Members absent: Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused). Also present: Parish President Guy Cormier and Legal Counsel Chester Cedars. (*Lisa Nelson stepped out at 5:03 p.m.*)

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 May 3, 2016.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,  
Albert Menard and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lisa Nelson.

ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Jill Hebert to approve the minutes of the St. Martin Parish Council Special Meeting of May 17, 2016.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert,  
Albert Menard and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT AT VOTING: Lisa Nelson.

ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

*(Lisa Nelson returned at 5:05p.m.)*

Chairman Jason Willis welcomed Brandan Trahan, CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) representative to request funding from St. Martin Parish Government. After a discussion ensued amongst Legal Counsel Chester Cedars and Council Members it was determined that Legal Counsel Chester Cedars will research this funding request and let the administrative department know of his findings.

Parish President Guy Cormier gave a PowerPoint presentation on Millage Rates for 2016. *(Jill Hebert stepped out at 5:24 p.m. and returned at 5:26 p.m.)* After the informative presentation, Parish President Guy Cormier recommended staying at the same millage rate.

A motion was made by Jill Hebert and seconded by Byron Fuselier 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: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin,  
Jill Hebert, Albert Menard and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

Clerk of the Council Laci Laperouse read each Ordinance Summary.

Gerri Simon requested to speak in regards to Ordinance Summary No. 1146-OR {An Ordinance to amend Chapter 19, St. Martin Parish Zoning Ordinance, Appendix D, Parish Road Zoning Data Sheets of the Code of Ordinances for the St. Martin Parish Government by: amending zoning classification district on a portion of a road zoned in the original ordinance adopted on December 18, 1995. {1031 LaSalle Street}}. She informed the Council Members her plans to create tourist home(s) in the Butte La Rose area.

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: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin,  
Jill Hebert, Albert Menard and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 16-06-1146-OR**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 19, ST. MARTIN PARISH ZONING ORDINANCE, APPENDIX D, PARISH ROAD ZONING DATA SHEETS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT BY: AMENDING ZONING CLASSIFICATION DISTRICT ON A PORTION OF A ROAD ZONED IN THE ORIGINAL ORDINANCE ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 18, 1995. {1031 LASALLE STREET}

The Parish Council of the Parish of St. Martin does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION I: The Parish Road Zoning Data Sheets are hereby amended to change the zoning classification district on a portion of the parish road listed below and to allow the remainder of the road to remain as classified.

<u>Road</u>	<u>Old Zoning Classification</u>	<u>New Zoning Classification</u>
LaSalle Street (1031)	W-2 (Woodland/Flood Plain- Recreational/Residential Uses)	R-3 (Multi-Family Residential)

This zoning classification change is being made to allow for the operation of tourist homes, using existing structures on the property, at 1031 LaSalle Street, Assessor's Parcel No. 07501A3230. If a change in this type of business is desired in the future, the change would have to be approved by the Parish Council in the form of an amended ordinance. This zoning classification shall remain in effect only so long as the subject property remains owned by Gerri Simon and/or B. Elizabeth Koratich, or the survivor in case of the untimely death of one of them.

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

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 16-06-1147-OR**

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL SPEED ZONES ON BREAUX BRIDGE SENIOR HIGH ROAD AND DOYLE MELANCON ROAD, AND TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council duly convened in regular session on the 7th day of June, 2016, that between the hours of 6:30 A.M. and 8:30 A.M. and 2:30 P. M. and 4:30 P.M. on the days the public schools of St. Martin Parish are in session, no vehicle or other means of conveyance shall be operated at a speed in excess of 35 MPH on Doyle Melancon Road within one thousand (1,000) feet of its intersection with Breaux Bridge Senior High Road.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council duly convened in regular session on the 7th day of June, 2016, that between the hours of 6:30 A.M. and 8:30 A.M. and 2:30 P. M. and 4:30 P.M. on the days the public schools of St. Martin Parish are in session, no vehicle or other means of conveyance shall be operated at a speed in excess of 35 MPH on Breaux Bridge Senior High Road within one thousand (1,000) feet of its intersection with Doyle Melancon Road.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be fined not less than One Hundred and No/100 (\$100.00) Dollars, nor more than Five Hundred and No/100 (\$500.00) Dollars, imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days, or both.

THIS ORDINANCE shall become effective as provided by Section 2-12 of the Home Rule Charter of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 16-06-1148-OR**

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT TO PURCHASE FROM GREGORY GUIRARD ALL OF HIS INTERESTS IN THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND, WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS, LOCATED IN SECTIONS 24 AND/OR 25, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 7 EAST IN WARD THREE OF THE PARISH OF ST. MARTIN, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has recently undertaken public works projects to address conditions of various bridge structures; and

WHEREAS, one of the subject projects is the repair and/or replacement of the bridge which traverses Bayou Mercier in the Catahoula-Butte LaRose area of rural St. Martin Parish; and

WHEREAS, additional property adjacent to the current structure is needed for this project; and

WHEREAS, the current owners of property located at adjacent to that structure has offered to sell to the St. Martin Parish Government a portion of a tract of land for the said purposes; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has determined that the acquisition of the said property will inure to the benefit and serve the best interests of the public; and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2015, the St. Martin Parish Council adopted Ordinance Number 15-11-1117-OR which authorized the Parish President to acquire the aforesaid property for a price not to exceed Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred and No/100 (\$11,900.00); and

WHEREAS, appraisals of the precise property needed to accommodate the needs and interests of the Parish now reflect a value of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-six and No/100 (\$14, 926.00) Dollars; and

WHEREAS, Guy Cormier, in his capacity as Parish President, executed various documents to confect the acquisition of the subject property at a price of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-six and No/100 (\$14, 926.00) Dollars; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned acts of the Parish President were necessary in that time was of the essence; and

WHEREAS, the purchase price of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-six and No/100 (\$14, 926.00) Dollars for the said property is equal to or less than its current appraised value; and

WHEREAS, the purchase price now offered by the current owners of the said property is its appraised value of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-six and No/100 (\$14, 926.00) Dollars; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government still intends to use the subject property in connection with the repair/replacement of the current bridge structure; and

WHEREAS, the potential benefit of the property to Parish Government has been determined to be substantial.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED that Parish President, Guy Cormier, or his successor, be authorized to purchase, on behalf of St. Martin Parish Government, for a price not to exceed Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-six and No/100 (\$14, 926.00) Dollars all of the current owners' rights, title, and interests, in and to the following described property:

That certain tract of land, together with all rights, ways, privileges, and servitudes thereunto pertaining, and all appurtenances thereof, together with all accretion and alluvion pertaining thereto, located in Sections 24 and/or 25, Township 9 South, Range 7 East, Ward Three of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, containing .38 acres and being outlined in red on that certain plat of survey which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; the said property having such dimensions and boundaries as depicted on the aforescribed plat of survey.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the transfer of the aforescribed property shall be for the cash sum of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-six and No/100 (\$14, 926.00) Dollars.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all contracts relative to the acquisition of the subject property are on file for public review at the office of the St. Martin Parish Government located at 301 West Port Street, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all documents previously executed by, and all steps taken by, Parish President Guy Cormier relative to the acquisition of the subject property be and are hereby affirmed and ratified.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all prior documents associated with this matter, inclusive of any sale document or buy-sell agreement executed as a precursor thereto, shall contain such terms, conditions, and provisions normally included in such instruments executed in the State of Louisiana, all at the discretion of the Parish President.

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

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 16-06-1149-OR**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 19, ST. MARTIN PARISH ZONING ORDINANCE, APPENDIX D, PARISH ROAD ZONING DATA SHEETS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT BY: AMENDING ZONING CLASSIFICATION DISTRICT ON A PORTION OF A ROAD ZONED IN THE ORIGINAL ORDINANCE ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 18, 1995. {BLANC CORMIER ROAD, PARCEL NO. 01402A4341}

The Parish Council of the Parish of St. Martin does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION I: The Parish Road Zoning Data Sheets are hereby amended to change the zoning classification district on a portion of the parish road listed below and to allow the remainder of the road to remain as classified.

<u>Road</u>	<u>Old Zoning Classification</u>	<u>New Zoning Classification</u>
<b>Blanc Cormier Road (Parcel No. 01402A4341)</b>	<b>R-2 (Mixed Residential)</b>	<b>C-2 (General Commercial)</b>

This zoning classification change is being made to allow for the operation of a wholesale/resale of metal goods business on Blanc Cormier Road, Assessor's Parcel No. 01402A4341. If a change in this type of business is desired in the future, the change would have to be approved by the Parish Council in the form of an amended ordinance. This zoning classification shall remain in effect only so long as the subject property remains owned by Mr. Albert Keith Hardy, or the survivor in case of the untimely death of him.

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

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-048-RS**

WHEREAS, in accordance with La R.S. 43:141, the official journal of each parish is to be selected the first meeting in June each year; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of the current official journal for St. Martin Parish expires on June 30, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby appoint the *Teche News* as the official journal for St. Martin Parish and that said appointment period will begin on July 1, 2016, and will expire on June 30, 2017.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-049-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing a member to serve on the St. Martin Parish Tree Board and Commissioners whose term has expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Greg Guirard to serve on the St. Martin Parish Tree Board and Commissioners for a three (3) year term, expiring on June 1, 2019.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-050-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing members to the St. Martin Parish Board of Waterworks Commissioners District No. 4 whose terms have expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Charles Latiolais, Jr. for a four (4) year term, which will expire on June 6, 2020, and Mr. Shane Doucet for a two (2) year term, which will expire on June 6, 2018, to serve as members of the St. Martin Parish Board of Waterworks Commissioners District No. 4.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-051-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing members of the St. Martin Parish Planning Commission whose terms will expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Calder Hebert and Mr. Kirk Taylor to serve as members on the St. Martin Parish Planning Commission for five (5) year terms, expiring on June 14, 2021.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-052-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing a member to serve on the St. Martin Parish Water & Sewerage Commission No. 1 Board (Stephensville-Belle River) whose term will soon expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Stanley Daigle, Sr. to serve as a member on the St. Martin Parish Water & Sewerage Commission No. 1 Board (Stephensville-Belle River) for a three (3) year term, expiring on June 19, 2019.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-053-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing a member to serve on the Teche-Vermilion Fresh Water District whose term will soon expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Tommy Thibodeaux to serve on the Teche-Vermilion Fresh Water District for a two (2) year term expiring on June 30, 2016.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-054-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council has a written report on dangerous buildings 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, Jessie Lee and Frances C. Camille are identified in the St. Martin Parish Assessor's Office Tax Rolls as the owners of the property.

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

Located on Catahoula Highway, St. Martinville, Louisiana, District 5 (Parcel ID #1090A2159).

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 abandoned structures on said property, which constitutes a nuisance.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

### **RESOLUTION NO. 16-055-RS**

WHEREAS, a contract for the 2015 Road Improvements Project, was awarded to low bidder, Coastal Bridge Company, L.L.C., in the amount of \$3,353,423.00; and

WHEREAS, Professional Engineering & Surveying Co., Inc. (PENSCO) has recommended Plan Change No. 3 in the amount of \$364,230.08 (increase); and

WHEREAS, PENSCO has also recommended a contract time increase of ten (10) calendar days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize the signature of Parish President to execute Plan Change No. 3 in the amount of \$364,230.08 (increase) and an increase in contract time of ten (10) calendar days for the 2015 Road Improvements Project, by Coastal Bridge Company, L.L.C.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-056-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has made an official call for bids for the Beau Bayou Swamp Hydrologic Restoration Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

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

WHEREAS, the bids were taken under advisement and have been analyzed by Sellers & Associates, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Sellers & Associates, Inc. has recommended, in writing, the low bidder, LeBlanc Marine, L.L.C., in the total amount of \$1,662,128.00, which includes the Base Bid plus Alternatives 1, 2, and 3; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby award the contract for the Beau Bayou Swamp Hydrologic Restoration Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, to the low bidder, LeBlanc Marine, L.L.C., in the total amount of \$1,662,128.00.

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-057-RS**

WHEREAS, on January 2, 2013, President Obama signed the 2013 National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 112-239); and

WHEREAS, under this Act, amendments to add clauses to the award terms and conditions must be added; and

WHEREAS, due to these added clauses, Sellers & Associates, Inc., has recommended in writing, Amendment No. 4 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement, for the Beau Bayou Swamp Hydrologic Restoration Project; and

WHEREAS, the amendment includes a.) Incorporation of the preparation and submittal of the Wetland Classification and Mitigation Plan for proposed impacts and additional fill sites and addressing comments during the Public Notice process to be provided by Sellers & Associates, Inc. and John Chance Land Surveys. Inc. and b.) Reduction of Basic Engineering Service Fees according to the contract and estimated construction cost.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize Parish President Guy Cormier to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement in behalf of St. Martin Parish Government with Sellers & Associates, Inc., for the Beau Bayou Swamp Hydrologic Restoration Project.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-058-RS**

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) has allocated funds for the Lighting Agreement State Project No. H.003014 and Federal Aid Project No. H003014 – I-10: LA 347 to Atchafalaya Floodway Bridge; and

WHEREAS, DOTD proposed to widen and rehabilitate Interstate 10 within St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this project, lighting along I-10 will be affected at the intersection of I-10 and LA 347; and

WHEREAS, the existing lighting will be modified to reflect widening of the westbound roadway and westbound LA 347 overpass with the introduction of a concrete median barrier and roundabouts at the interstate ramp terminals with LA 347; and

WHEREAS, this project will include location, limits, construction type, drainage, bridges, traffic control devices, enhancements, removal of an existing interstate lighting system, and installation of a new interstate with roundabout lighting system.

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 lighting agreement in behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for the Lighting Agreement State Project No. H.003014 and Federal Aid Project No. H003014 – I-10: LA 347 to Atchafalaya Floodway Bridge.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-059-RS**

WHEREAS, St. Martin Parish Government has determined that the cleaning and clearing of the drainage canals within the jurisdiction of the City of Breaux Bridge will significantly accommodate the ability of drainage laterals of the St. Martin Parish Government to receive and dispose of water; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has determined that the value of the public work envisioned by the following accord is commensurate to the value of the benefit which will be realized by it in the discharge of its public duties and obligations vis-a-vis providing drainage throughout St. Martin Parish.

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 an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the City of Breaux Bridge and St. Martin Parish Government relative to the Parish cleaning various City drainage ditches.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of June, 2016.

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

SUMMARY NO. 1150-OR (Introduced by Dean LeBlanc, District 8)

An Ordinance to provide for the abandonment of a portion of Judge Dupre Road Extension (formerly Guidry Road) previously acquired by the St. Martin Parish Government by virtue of an act recorded in Book 1108, Page 738, under Entry Number 253338 of the Conveyance Records of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

SUMMARY NO. 1151-OR (Introduced by Jason Willis, District 3)

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance Number 15-05-1095-OR to revise the St. Martin Parish Government Pay Schedule by changing the position of Public Health Nurse IV to Public Health Nurse/Supervisor; and, to assign that revised positions to Pay Range 18.

SUMMARY NO. 1152-OR (Introduced by Dean LeBlanc, District 8)

An Ordinance reducing the speed limit to 15 mph on LeBlanc Road, located in District 8.

SUMMARY NO. 1153-OR (Introduced by Lisa Nelson, District 2)

An Ordinance to amend Section 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of St. Martin, Louisiana relative to the merger of voting precincts.

SUMMARY NO. 1154-OR (Introduced by Daniel Richard, Jr., District 9)

An Ordinance to amend Section 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of St. Martin, Louisiana relative to the renumbering of voting precincts.

Prior to adjournment Legal Counsel Chester Cedars announced Attorney Samuel Shealy and Attorney Robert Chevalier have been chosen to be the next Legal Counsel for St. Martin Parish Government. Legal Counsel Chester Cedars reminded everyone he will be retired as of July 1, 2016. Parish President Guy Cormier mentioned there will be an official recommendation at the next Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Albert Menard that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby adjourn. Motion was unanimously approved.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:

  
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LACI LAPEROUSE  
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL