

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING - AUGUST 1, 2017**

The St. Martin Parish Council met in Regular Session convened at 5:03 P.M., Tuesday, August 1, 2017, 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 Daniel Richard, Jr.

The following members were present: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Jason Willis, Neil Thibodeaux, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr. Members absent: None. Also present: Parish President Guy Cormier and Parish Attorney 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 July 5, 2017.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAIN:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Dean LeBlanc to approve the following advertisement of **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC** for upcoming public hearing to hear comments on values of property for assessment purposes fixed by the St. Martin Parish Assessor:

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## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that the St. Martin Parish Council will meet as a Board of Review on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. in the Carroll J. Fuselier Meeting Room, St. Martin Parish Annex Building, 301 West Port Street, St. Martinville, Louisiana, for the purpose of receiving protests and hearing complaints on values of property for assessment purposes in the Parish, fixed by the St. Martin Parish Assessor. The Board of Review will hear the written or oral complaint of any qualified person as provided by R.S. 47:1992, who has provided notice to the Board of Review on or before Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at 4:30 P.M. either through appearing in person at its office or by filing such appeal by means of certified mail.

ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL  
JASON WILLIS, CHAIRMAN

ADV: September 13, 20, and 27, 2017

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

Parish President Guy Cormier and Council Members welcomed and congratulated Chef Bonnie Breaux of The St. John Restaurant, located in St. Martinville, Louisiana. Chef Breaux has recently won the title of "Queen of Louisiana Seafood" at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Louisiana Seafood Cook-Off. Chef Breaux will now go on to compete in the Great American Seafood Cook-Off, where she will compete against the nation's top seafood chefs. Chef Breaux was presented with a proclamation proclaiming August 1, 2017 as "Chef Bonnie Breaux Day" in St. Martin Parish, along with a key to the Parish. Parish President Guy Cormier also welcomed and acknowledged The St. John Restaurant owner, Chip Durand.

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The Council met as a Board of Adjustment to consider the request for a variance to allow for a tavern to open in a building on property located at 3015 Main Highway, Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. Parish Attorney Chester Cedars stated the proper term would be to grant an "exception," not a variance. The property is zoned properly; however, the problem comes in with residences being within 300' of the proposed tavern. Mr. Michael Castille, present at the meeting, stated he is the registered agent for D&T Gaming, L.L.C. and the person that has been in contact with the parish through this process. Several documents (*on-file*), including signatures from residents not opposed to the opening of the tavern, were all submitted to the Clerk of the Council. After a lengthy discussion, it was determined the property owner, Floyd Poche, along with Dr. And Mrs. Donald Johnson/D&T Gaming, L.L.C., Mr. Castille and representatives from St. Martin Parish Government, namely Heath Babineaux and Parish Attorney Chester Cedars would schedule a meeting to answer some questions prior to coming before the Council for such request. Parish Attorney Chester Cedars clarified with everyone the Parish is in favor of businesses; however, the process needs to be done properly.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Jill Hebert to table this exception indefinitely.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

Clerk of the Council Laci Laperouse read each Ordinance Summary.

Council Member Lisa Nelson thanked Parish Attorney Chester Cedars and former Legal Counsel Andrew Shealy for drafting Ordinance Summary No. 1181-OR {An Ordinance regulating the location, construction, operation and maintenance of borrow pits in St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, to provide for an effective date thereof; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto}. Council Member Dean LeBlanc thanked Council Member Lisa Nelson for bringing attention to this on-going concern within the Parish.

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

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Lisa Nelson 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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 17-08-1181-OR**

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE LOCATION, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF BORROW PITS IN ST. MARTIN PARISH, LOUISIANA TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, there is a need to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana arising out of the location, construction, operation, and maintenance of Borrow Pits in the unincorporated areas of the Parish; and

WHEREAS, there is a similar need to preserve and protect Parish roads, bridges, drainage structures and other public property from the risks associated with the location, construction, operation, and maintenance of Borrow Pits in the unincorporated areas of the Parish; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish asserts that it is in the best interests of the public that the use of property exclude any and all activities which create a nuisance and/or are injurious to neighboring properties; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of LSA-R.S. 33:4780.41, the governing authority of a parish may divide the parish into districts of such number, shape and area as may be deemed best suited to carry out such purposes and within the districts so created may regulate and restrict the erection, construction, alteration or use of buildings, structures, or land:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby adopt and ordain the following:

**Section I. Definition(s).**

“Borrow Pit” means an excavation for the purpose of extracting sand, gravel, clay, dirt or other similar materials to be used as fill at another site. Borrow Pit shall NOT mean any of the following:

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- A. ~~Mines subject to the jurisdiction of the United States Mine Safety and Health~~  
Administration;

- B. Site activity or excavation in connection with a building, swimming pool, retaining wall or other structure authorized in connection with a validly issued building permit;
- C. Septic system installation, repair, maintenance and/or alteration;
- D. Landscaping and sprinkler installation, repair, maintenance and/or alteration;
- E. Recognized and accepted agricultural practices such as plowing, cultivating, harvesting or construction of agricultural structures, aquiculture ponds;
- F. Utility or public works installation, repair, maintenance and/or alteration;
- G. Cemetery graves;
- H. Minor excavations normally and customarily associated with owner-occupied, single family residences where no material leaves the property and such materials are intended for use on the property by the owner or occupant of the property. However, the edge of such excavations shall be no closer than thirty-five (35') feet from a neighboring property line and for public health and safety purposes sloped at a minimum ratio of 3:1; and
- I. Ponds and/or retention or detention areas included in and a part of a residential or commercial subdivision whose plats, plans and layout have been approved by the St. Martin Parish Planning & Zoning Commission and the St. Martin Parish Council. However, the edge of such excavations shall be no closer than thirty-five (35') feet from a neighboring property line and for public health and safety purposes sloped at a minimum of 3:1.

## **Section II. Applicability.**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to all Borrow Pits located in the unincorporated areas of St. Martin Parish, except such Borrow Pits in existence and operation prior to the effective date of this Ordinance. However, any change in the ownership of any such Borrow Pit shall result in the application of all aspects of this Ordinance, including the requirements of obtaining a permit and maintaining all bonds required to secure the implementation of restoration plans where mandated.

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All Borrow Pits, including those in existence at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance, shall be operated in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules

and regulations and all permits granted by the State of Louisiana and/or the United States of America or any regulatory agencies thereof.

**Section III. Permit Requirements.**

- A. No person, firm, corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other such entity shall own, construct, operate or maintain a Borrow Pit in the unincorporated areas of St. Martin Parish without first obtaining a permit for such operations duly approved and signed by the Director of Public Works of the St. Martin Parish Government. Each Borrow Pit shall require a separate permit and if more than one Borrow Pit is proposed or to be constructed on a single tract of land each additional Borrow Pit must first be approved by the St. Martin Parish Planning and Zoning Commission of the St. Martin Parish Government and the St. Martin Parish Council by majority vote of the council membership.
- B. In addition to the special requirements of Section V, where applicable, if the excavation area of the Borrow Pit to be constructed on a property or contiguous properties is to be less than five (5) acres, the application for such a permit shall be made on a form provided by St. Martin Parish Government and include, at least, the following information:
1. The name, address, and telephone numbers of the owner(s) and/or operator(s) of the Borrow Pit;
  2. The exact size and location of the Borrow Pit;
  3. A map, plat or survey of the area to be utilized in connection with the Borrow Pit clearly showing the location of all adjacent roads, bridges, public buildings, and residential and commercial structures, as well as all public ditches, canals, coulees, channels and streams located throughout the property;
  4. A statement as to the estimated volume of materials to be excavated from the Borrow Pit;
  5. A certification from the owner(s) and/or operator(s) of the Borrow Pit that all activities conducted in connection with the location, construction, operation

and maintenance thereof will be undertaken in accordance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations and that all necessary permits have been obtained from the appropriate federal, state and local regulatory agencies. Copies of each such permit shall be attached to the application;

6. A restoration plan for the property indicating phasing, sequencing and a specific proposed restoration plan for the reuse of the property, with the plan further providing, where apropos, a commencement date and completion date; and,
7. Proof of general liability insurance coverage with minimum limits of liability of \$500,000.00 per person and \$1,000,000.00 per event.

The cost of applying for such a permit shall be \$500.00. Any such permit shall be renewed annually at a cost of \$50.00 per renewal for as long as the Borrow Pit continues to operate or until restored for re-use in accordance with the restoration plan submitted in connection with the permit application.

No permit shall be issued for the location, construction, operation and/or maintenance of any such Borrow Pit unless the St. Martin Parish Government Director of Public Works or a Civil Engineering firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government determines that the applicant is not currently in violation of this ordinance or any other applicable state or federal statute or regulation, has not had multiple violations of this ordinance, that such activities will not cause damage to any Parish roads, bridges, drainage structures or other public property beyond normal wear and tear, and that the Borrow Pit is not located within one hundred fifty (150') feet of a public drainage ditch, canal, coulee, channel, stream or building.

However, the applicant shall have the right to appeal to the St. Martin Parish Council the denial of a permit by the St. Martin Parish Government Director of Public Works or the Civil Engineering firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government that the permit should not be issued because such activities will cause damage to any road, bridge, drainage structure or public property beyond normal wear and tear. The appeal shall be submitted in writing and received at the offices of the St. Martin Parish President within thirty (30) days from the date of the denial of the requested permit. Any applicant seeking to appeal the denial of the requested permit in doing so agrees to pay the cost of obtaining any report or assessment regarding the potential for damage to any parish road, bridge,

drainage structure or other public property from the Civil Engineering Firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government.

C. In addition to the special requirements of Section V, where applicable if the Borrow Pit to be constructed is five (5) acres or more on property or contiguous properties, the application for such a permit shall be made on a form provided by St. Martin Parish Government and include at least the following information:

1. The name, address and telephone numbers of the owner(s) and/or operator(s) of the Borrow Pit;
2. The exact size and location of the Borrow Pit;
3. A survey of the entire property upon which the Borrow Pit will be located, including the legal description thereof, which shall also clearly show the location of all adjacent roads, bridges, public buildings, and residential and commercial structures, as well as all public ditches, canals, coulees, channels and streams located throughout the property;
4. A statement as to the estimated volume of materials to be excavated from the Borrow Pit;
5. A certification from the owner(s) and/or operator(s) of the Borrow Pit that all activities conducted in connection with the location, construction, operation and maintenance thereof will be undertaken in accordance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations and that all necessary permits have been obtained from the appropriate federal, state and local regulatory agencies. Copies of each such permit shall be attached to the application;
6. A restoration plan for the property indicating phasing, sequencing and a specific proposed restoration plan for the reuse of the property with the plan further providing, where apropos, a commencement date and completion date;
7. Proof of general liability insurance coverage with minimum limits of liability of \$1,000,000.00 per person and \$1,000,000.00 per event;
8. A letter of approval from the St. Martin Parish Government, Director of Public Works or the Civil Engineering Firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government;

9. A letter of approval from the St. Martin Parish Government Building Official;
10. A Resolution of the St. Martin Parish Council authorizing the granting of the permit; and
11. A heavy haulers permit, if applicable.

The cost of applying for such a permit or any shall be \$500.00. Any such permit shall be renewed annually for a cost of \$100 per renewal for as long as the Borrow Pit continues to operate or until it is restored for re-use in accordance with the restoration plan submitted in connection with the permit application.

No permit shall be issued for the location, construction, operation and/or maintenance of any such Borrow Pit unless the St. Martin Parish Government Director of Public Works or a Civil Engineering firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government determines that the applicant is not currently in violation of this ordinance or any other applicable state or federal statute or regulation, has not had multiple violations of this ordinance, that such activities will not cause damage to any Parish roads, bridges, drainage structures or other public property beyond normal wear and tear, and that the Borrow Pit is not located within one hundred fifty (150') feet of a public drainage ditch, canal, coulee, channel, stream or building.

However, the applicant shall have the right to appeal to the St. Martin Parish Council the denial of a permit by the St. Martin Parish Government Director of Public Works or the Civil Engineering firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government that the permit should not be issued because such activities will cause damage to any road, bridge, drainage structure or public property beyond normal wear and tear. The appeal shall be submitted in writing and received at the offices of the St. Martin Parish President within thirty (30) days from the date of the denial of the requested permit. Any applicant seeking to appeal the denial of the requested permit in doing so agrees to pay the cost of obtaining any report or assessment regarding the potential for damage to any parish road, bridge, drainage structure or other public property from the Civil Engineering Firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government. The decision being appealed shall not be disturbed except by majority vote of the membership of the Parish Council.

#### **Section IV. General Regulations**

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- A. ~~The owner or operator shall post the original permit, or a copy thereof, at the entrance~~  
site of the Borrow Pit where the applicant accesses the site from a public roadway.

- B. The owner or operator shall display and maintain a business sign at least four (4') feet by eight (8') feet in size at the nearest state or parish roadway entrance which must display, at a minimum, the name of the owner/operator, contact information and person and method to contact them in case of an emergency.
- C. The owner/operator of the Borrow Pit shall remove all dirt, mud and debris on at least a daily basis from all state and parish roads located at or near areas of ingress and egress to the property.
- D. The owner/operator of the Borrow Pit shall be liable for any and all damages to parish roads, normal wear and tear excepted.
- E. All internal roads located within the property comprising the Borrow Pits used by dump trucks, front end loaders or any other similar machinery and equipment shall be constructed and maintained in such a manner as to limit the adverse effects of drainage, dust, noise, and other such nuisances upon neighboring residences and businesses.
- F. All road access and clear areas shall be maintained by the owner or operator in such a manner as to provide ready access for fire and emergency equipment and personnel.
- G. The hours of operation shall be between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. central standard time, Monday through Saturday only. No starting, running or warming up of engines or equipment shall take place before 6:00 a.m. central standard time.
- H. The property on which the Borrow Pit site is located shall not be used for the disposal of any material not originally found in the Borrow Pit or excavation site, except for fill sand or other suitable materials used in connection with the backfilling of the Borrow Pit or other suitable materials approved by the St. Martin Parish Government Department of Public Works.
- I. Within thirty (30) days from the date on which operations have been completed or abandoned, the owner or operator shall have sloped, revegetated, filled or treated the excavation area to avoid standing or stagnant water and erosion and siltation of nearby drainage structures in accordance with "industry best practices standards" and ~~the Restoration Plan for the reuse of the property submitted at the time of the~~ application.

- J. The excavation or removal of material from any Borrow Pit shall be conducted in such a manner as to maintain a buffer of at least one thousand (1000') feet from any parks, playgrounds, schools, libraries, hospitals, health care facilities, churches, nursing homes, and assisted living facilities where dust, noise or increased traffic can become a danger or nuisance.

#### **Section V. Special Regulations**

- A. *Requirements for Borrow Pits of one acre or less in area on a single-family home site whereby the excavated material is sold and transported to another site.*

In addition to the mandates set forth in Sections III and IV herein, where applicable, the Borrow Pit must be dug in a manner that will allow for it to hold water. For public health and safety reasons, the edge of the Borrow Pit shall be sloped at a minimum ratio of 3:1. The depth of such Borrow Pit shall not exceed fifteen (15') feet. The edge of such dirt pit or pond shall be no closer than thirty-five (35') feet from a neighboring property line. During construction of the one acre or less Borrow Pit, if legitimate complaints arise, the parish government may require steps be adopted to resolve those complaints including, but not limited to watering the site to sufficiently control dust.

- B. *Requirements for Borrow Pits more than one (1) acre but less than five (5) acres in area whereby the excavated material is sold and transported to another site.*

In addition to the mandates set forth in Sections III and IV herein, as applicable, the applicant must present a plan for access to a state highway or to a parish roadway. If the site is constructed with the intention to create a pond, such pond shall be constructed in a manner that will allow it to hold water and at the completion of the job, for public health and safety reasons, the edges of the pond shall be sloped at a minimum ratio of 3:1. If the depth of the Borrow Pit exceeds fifteen (15') feet, there shall be a five (5') foot shelf constructed before each additional fifteen (15') feet in depth. Also, in the event the Borrow Pit is abandoned and any pool of water or pond remains, such pond or pool of water shall be completely enclosed with a six (6') foot high chain link fence or other similar solid fencing material which shall be thereafter maintained in excellent condition. The edge of such Borrow Pit shall be no closer

than forty-five (45') feet from a neighboring property line. Furthermore, to protect neighboring properties from damages to water wells, sewer systems and foundations, no such dirt pit or pond shall be located closer than one hundred fifty (150') feet from the existing residential house structure, water well or sewer system of a neighboring property owner. If at any time the pit becomes abandoned, for public health and safety purposes there shall be no pool of water or pond allowed to remain unless the edges of the pond are sloped at a minimum ratio of 3:1.

C. *Requirements for Borrow Pits five (5) acres or more in area.*

Such Borrow Pits shall be considered a commercial site and as such, all requirements of state and federal law and the ordinances of St. Martin Parish shall be applicable. In addition thereto, and in addition to the mandates set forth in Sections III and IV herein, as applicable, the permit application must be reviewed and recommended for approval by the permit office, the St. Martin Parish Director of Public Works or Civil Engineering Firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government. Thereafter, the application shall be submitted to the St. Martin Parish Council for final approval by resolution adopted by majority of the council membership. Prior to placing this permit application on the St. Martin Parish Council agenda, the applicant shall have also obtained the written approval of the building official and from the St. Martin Parish Director of Public Works or the Civil Engineering Firm hired by St. Martin Parish Government.

Once a permit is issued, the following requirements shall apply:

1. If timber is to be harvested to clear the site, a heavy haulers permit is required.
2. A water truck must be maintained on the site and must be used daily to control dust except in the event of substantial periods of rain;
3. If the site is constructed with the intention to create a pond, at completion of the job, such pond shall be constructed in a manner that will allow it to hold water and for public health and safety reasons, the edges of the pond shall be sloped at a minimum ratio of 3:1;
4. At all times, the edges of any such Borrow Pit and/or pond can be no closer than sixty (60') feet from a neighboring property line;

5. To protect neighboring properties from damages to water wells, sewer systems and foundations, no such dirt pit or pond shall be located closer than two hundred (200') feet from the existing residential house structure, water well or sewer system of a neighboring property owner;
6. If at any time the pit becomes abandoned, for public health and safety purposes, there shall be no pool of water or pond allowed to remain unless the edges of the pool or pond are sloped at a minimum ratio of 3:1;
7. If the depth of the Borrow Pit exceeds fifteen (15') feet, there shall be a five (5') foot shelf constructed before each additional fifteen (15') feet in depth; and
8. In the event the Borrow Pit is abandoned and any pool of water or pond remains, such pond or pool of water shall be completely enclosed with a six (6') foot high chain link fence or other similar solid fencing material which shall be thereafter maintained in excellent condition.

#### **Section VI. Bond for Restoration Plan.**

In the instances where a restoration plan is mandated by the terms and provisions of this ordinance, the owner of the property upon which the Borrow Pit is situated and/or the operator thereof shall provide a good and solvent bond in favor of the St. Martin Parish Government to insure the faithful and timely performance of restoration plan. The bond shall be in amount equal to the cost to restore the property in accordance with the restoration plan as determined by the Director of Public Works or any civil engineering firm acting on the Director's behalf. The bond shall be for a term determined appropriate by the Director of Public Works. Moreover, the bond shall be a commercial surety bond unless the Parish Council agrees, by majority vote of the council membership, to a substitute type of bond.

#### **Section VII. Enforcement and Penalties.**

Any person or entity found to be in violation of this Ordinance shall be subject to a maximum fine of \$500.00 and/or imprisonment for thirty (30) days in the parish jail or both. Each day in violation of this Ordinance shall be considered a separate offense. Nothing contained herein to the contrary shall prohibit St. Martin Parish Government from enforcing this Ordinance by any other

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lawful means; including, but not limited to, suits for damages, restraining orders or other such remedies.

**Section VIII. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances.**

All ordinances or resolutions heretofore enacted which are in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Section IX. Severability.**

If any one or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall, for any reason, be held to be illegal or invalid, shall illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance, but this Ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.

**Section X. Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the St. Martin Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Sections 2-12 and 2-13 of the Home Rule Charter.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: None.

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

### **ORDINANCE NO. 17-08-1184-OR**

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 12 of Article II of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances by the enactment of Sections 12-26 and 12-27 of the said Chapter 12 of Article II, all relative to the establishment of a classified service for the St. Martin Parish Fire Protection District inclusive of a civil service board; and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, in accordance with La.R.S. 40:1491, *et seq.*, for several years St. Martin Parish has been served by a fire service district known as the “St. Martin Parish Fire Protection District”; and

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 16 of the Louisiana Constitution mandates that a system of classified fire civil service must be created and established in all fire protection districts with full time paid employees; and

WHEREAS, the law of the State of Louisiana declares that even one full time employee of a fire service district ignites the civil service law of this state. *See Ballard v. Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 5*, 2011-1053 (La.App. 1 Cir. 1/11/12), 91 So.3d 311; *writ denied*, 2012-0364 (La. 4/9/12), 85 So.3d 699; *Louisiana Attorney General Opinions 01-379, 98-267, 95-37, and 93-728(A)*; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Fire Protection District (“the District”) currently has only three (3) full time employees inclusive of its coordinator; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid current full time employees are essential to the District’s effective operations; and

WHEREAS, the District consists of twelve (12) separate fire departments, many of which are composed of volunteers and/or part-time fire fighters; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the District is a steering committee established under Sections 12-54, *et seq.*, of the Code of Ordinances for St. Martin Parish; and

WHEREAS, the full time employees of the District are selected by St. Martin Parish Government even though their salaries and related benefits are paid from the District’s separate funds which are generated by virtue of proceeds received from a special ad valorem tax specifically dedicated to it; and

WHEREAS, the Office of State Examiner for Fire & Police Civil Service for the State of Louisiana (“OSE”) has advised the St. Martin Parish Government that the establishment of a classified service for the District is mandated by law; and

WHEREAS, the OSE has concurred and advised that the appointing authority of the full time employees of the District is St. Martin Parish Government; and

WHEREAS, the initial step in the adoption of a classified system for eligible employees of the District is the appointment of a civil service board in accordance with the dictates of La.R.S. 33:2536; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La.R.S. 33:2536(N), the aforesaid civil service board shall consist of three (3) members selected as follows:

- A. One (1) member appointed by the St. Martin Parish Government, upon its own nomination, pursuant to La.R.S. 33:2536(C)(2)(a);
- B. One (1) member appointed by the St. Martin Parish Government from a list of nominees provided by the University of Louisiana at Lafayette submitted in accordance with La.R.S. 33:2536(C)(2)(b); and
- C. One (1) member selected by the eligible classified employees of the District as provided by La.R.S. 33:2536(C)(3).

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, duly convened in regular session on the 1st day of August, 2017, that:

Chapter 12 of Article II of the Code of Ordinances for St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, be amended by the enactment of Section 12-26 and Section 12-27 thereof as follows:

**Section 12-26. Employees of District.**

The fire protection district shall be under the direct supervision of a fire protection district coordinator who shall be retained by the Parish President. The fire protection district coordinator shall answer directly to the Parish President. Moreover, he shall possess such qualifications and have such responsibilities as set forth in the provisions of the personnel policies and procedures adopted by the St. Martin Parish Government under Section 4-06 of its Home Rule Charter. Furthermore, all ~~other full-time employees of the fire protection district shall also be retained by the Parish President~~ upon recommendation of the coordinator. The term “full time” shall be accorded the definition envisioned by the applicable civil service law of this state, La.R.S. 33:2531, *et seq.*

The salaries and attendant employment emoluments of the full time employees of the fire protection district shall be fixed by the Parish President with approval by the St. Martin Parish Council; however, the salaries and attendant employment emoluments of the full time employees shall be paid directly by the fire protection district from the funds received by it pursuant to a dedicated ad valorem tax approved by the electorate of St. Martin Parish.

**Section 12-27. Classified Service.**

As mandated by La.R.S. 33:2531, *et seq.*, as may from time to time be amended, the fire service district coordinator and all other full time employees of the fire service district shall be subject to the civil service law of the State of Louisiana. Therefore, there is hereby created and established a fire civil service board which shall be known as the “St. Martin Parish Fire Protection District Civil Service Board”. The composition, selection, and terms of the board shall be as defined in the applicable civil service law of this state, La.R.S. 33:2531, *et seq.*

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. Furthermore, any conflict between this ordinance and the dictates of the applicable civil service law of this state shall be resolved in favor of the latter.

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.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

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And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-093-RS**

WHEREAS, Iberia Parish owns and possesses certain property, which is no longer needed for its intended purposes, was offered for sale to third parties generating no bids or offers and has been determined and declared to be surplus property; and

WHEREAS, such property is particularly described as thirty-five (35) used concrete culverts or pipes having a diameter of ninety-six (96") inches and each being approximately six (6') feet in length; and

WHEREAS, the property is currently located at the Iberia Parish Public Works facility and could be used by St. Martin Parish in connection with various drainage improvement projects within St. Martin Parish; and

WHEREAS, the consideration for the transfer of the property from Iberia Parish to St. Martin Parish is the mutual benefits accruing to each by and through their joint assistance and cooperation in clearing and improving the various shared drainage ditches, canals, coulees and waterways in an effort to reduce the adverse impact of flooding in the two parishes; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of Article VII, Section 14 E of the Louisiana Constitution specifically authorizes and contemplates the donation or exchange of movable surplus property between or among political subdivisions, such as Iberia Parish and St. Martin Parish, whose functions include public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martin Parish Council that Parish President Guy Cormier's signature be ratified on a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement in behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government with Iberia Parish Government for the receipt of surplus culverts.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

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And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-094-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has made an official call for bids for the St. Martin Parish Courthouse: New Employee Parking Lot Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the advertisement, sealed bids were opened July 11, 2017, and ten (10) complete bid packets were received for said project; and

WHEREAS, the bids were taken under advisement and have been analyzed by Angelle Architects, L.L.C.; and

WHEREAS, Angelle Architects, L.L.C. has recommended, in writing, the lowest qualified bidder, Slade Landry Construction, L.L.C., in the amount of \$93,475.53.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby award the contract for the St. Martin Parish Courthouse: New Employee Parking Lot Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, to the lowest qualified bidder, Slade Landry Construction, L.L.C., in the amount of \$93,475.53.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY NO. 095-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council adopted a resolution establishing a Children and Youth Planning Board in the 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial District; and

WHEREAS, the 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Children and Youth Planning Board consist of thirteen members, and four members who will be appointed by the St. Martin Parish Council; and

WHEREAS, the members appointed by the parish council shall serve a term of office of two years and may be reappointed in accordance with the charters and law of the parish.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Michael Seider, Judge Randy P. Angelle, Mr. Ed Boyd and Mrs. Cheryl Lewis for two (2) year terms expiring on August 2, 2019, to serve as members of the 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Children and Youth Planning Board.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared tabled this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-096-RS**

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Ms. Peggy Hulin, Mr. Isaac Thomas and Mr. Fred Foti, Jr. for three (3) year terms expiring on August 3, 2020, to serve as members of the St. Martin Parish Tourist Commission.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-097-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 (Stephensville-Belle River) whose term will expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Jimmy Bailey to serve on the St. Martin Parish Water & Sewerage Commission No. 1 (Stephensville-Belle River) for a two (2) year term expiring on August 7, 2019.

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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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-098-RS**

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AND APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE INITIAL MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD FOR THE FIRE SERVICE DISTRICT OF ST. MARTIN PARISH, LOUISIANA.**

WHEREAS, in accordance with La.R.S. 40:1491, et seq, for several years St. Martin Parish has been served by a fire service district known as the “St. Martin Parish Fire Protection District”; and

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 16 of the Louisiana Constitution mandates that a system of classified fire civil service must be created and established in all fire protection districts with full time paid employees; and

WHEREAS, the law of the State of Louisiana declares that even one full time employee of a fire service district ignites the civil service law of this state. *See Ballard v. Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 5*, 2011-1053 (La.App. 1 Cir. 1/11/12), 91 So.3d 311; *writ denied*, 2012-0364 (La. 4/9/12), 85 So.3d 699; *Louisiana Attorney General Opinions 01-379, 98-267, 95-37, and 93-728(A)*; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Fire Protection District (“the District”) currently has only three (3) full time employees inclusive of its coordinator; and

~~WHEREAS, the aforesaid current full time employees are essential to the District’s effective operations; and~~

WHEREAS, the District consists of twelve (12) separate fire departments, many of which are composed of volunteers and/or part-time fire fighters; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the District is a steering committee established under Sections 12-54, *et seq.*, of the Code of Ordinances for St. Martin Parish; and

WHEREAS, the full time employees of the District are selected by St. Martin Parish Government even though their salaries and related benefits are paid from the District's separate funds which are generated by virtue of proceeds received from a special ad valorem tax specifically dedicated to it; and

WHEREAS, the Office of State Examiner for Fire & Police Civil Service for the State of Louisiana ("OSE") has advised the St. Martin Parish Government that the establishment of a classified service for the District is mandated by law; and

WHEREAS, the OSE has concurred and advised that the appointing authority of the full time employees of the District is St. Martin Parish Government; and

WHEREAS, the initial step in the adoption of a classified system for eligible employees of the District is the appointment of a civil service board in accordance with the dictates of La.R.S. 33:2536; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La.R.S. 33:2536(N), the aforesaid civil service board shall consist of three (3) members selected as follows:

- A. One (1) member appointed by the St. Martin Parish Government, upon its own nomination, pursuant to La.R.S. 33:2536(C)(2)(a);
- B. One (1) member appointed by the St. Martin Parish Government from a list of nominees provided by the University of Louisiana at Lafayette submitted in accordance with La.R.S. 33:2536(C)(2)(b); and
- C. One (1) member selected by the eligible classified employees of the District as provided by La.R.S. 33:2536(C)(3).

WHEREAS, the eligible employees of the civil service system of St. Martin Parish have elected Brody Miller to serve on the initial civil service board; from its own nomination, the St. Martin Parish Government has selected Michelle Brignac; and, the St. Martin Parish Government has selected Wesley Dupuis from a list of nominees submitted by the University of Louisiana at Lafayette;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Michelle Brignac, Brody Miller and Wesley Dupuis be appointed to serve on the initial civil service board for the fire service district of St. Martin Parish.

As set forth by La.R.S. 33:2536(D), the appointment of Michelle Brignac shall be for a term of two (2) years; the appointment of Brody Miller shall be for a term of one (1) year; and, the appointment of Wesley Dupuis shall be for a term of three (3) years. The successors of the foregoing initial members shall serve a term of three (3) years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each of the foregoing initial appointments shall become effective immediately.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-099-RS**

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Revised Statutes – Title 29: Section 251-262, as amended and reenacted, specifically provides enabling legislation for the Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs (LDVA), as to estimate and recover part of the operations cost of parish veterans service offices; and

WHEREAS, St. Martin Parish Government desires to support local veterans and improve their access to benefits and services by providing for both the cost to maintain and operate veterans service offices and space to house such offices as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, LDVA received funds in Fiscal Year 2017-2018 to provide such services to veterans in St. Martin Parish; and

WHEREAS, both LDVA and St. Martin Parish Government desire to memorialize their ~~respective fiscal, operational and obligations relative to the establishment of a veterans' service office~~ in St. Martin Parish; and

WHEREAS, St. Martin Parish Government shall pay to the order of LDVA at the monthly rate

of \$622.00 from July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, then \$377.00 from January 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018, to support the cost to operate and maintain the veterans service office; and

WHEREAS, this Cooperative Endeavor Agreement shall be in effect from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

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 Cooperative Endeavor Agreement in behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government with the Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

### **RESOLUTION NO. 17-100-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. 6 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement, for the Beau Bayou Swamp Hydrologic Restoration Project; and

~~WHEREAS, the amendment includes a.) Deduct Study and Report fees; b.) Deduct~~  
Topographic / Hydrographic Surveys fees; c) Additional Resident Inspection fees; and d) Additional Archeological Monitoring fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize Parish President Guy Cormier to execute Amendment No. 6 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 Tauzin,  
Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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A motion was made by Lisa Nelson and seconded by Neil Thibodeaux that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby extend the agenda for Resolution Summary No. 101-RS.

This motion to extend the agenda 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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

And the motion to extend the agenda was declared carried by unanimous vote this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-101-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has made an official call for bids for the Butte La Rose Boat Launch Improvements Project (Capital Outlay Project No. ABFP-12-08), St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the advertisement, sealed bids were opened July 31, 2017, 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 lowest responsive bidder, Patriot Construction & Industrial, L.L.C., in the amount of \$592,145.00; and

WHEREAS, the bid includes a Base bid total of \$542,005.00 and the additional Alternate 1 total of \$50,140.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby award the contract for the Butte La Rose Boat Launch Improvements Project (Capital Outlay Project No. ABFP-12-08), St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, to the lowest responsive bidder, Patriot Construction & Industrial, L.L.C., in the amount of \$592,145.00.

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, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

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And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of August, 2017.

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

SUMMARY NO. 1185-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance setting the speed limit to 25 mph on Hammock Lane, located in District 5.

SUMMARY NO. 1186-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance setting the speed limit to 25 mph on Florence Drive, located in District 5.

SUMMARY NO. 1187-OR (Introduced by Dean LeBlanc, District 8)

An Ordinance setting the speed limit to 30 mph on Semere Road, located in District 8.

SUMMARY NO. 1188-OR (Introduced by Jason Willis, District 3)

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 17-01-1167-OR, adopted by the St. Martin Parish Council on January 3, 2017, to change the position of Assistant Clerk of the Council from Regular Part-Time to Regular Full-Time.

SUMMARY NO. 1189-OR (Introduced by Lisa Nelson, District 2)

An Ordinance to amend Article III of Chapter 28 of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances by the enactment of Article IV consisting of Sections 28-100 – 28-105 to provide for the creation of a Steering Committee for the supervision and administration of parish parks and recreational facilities and to provide for all other matters related thereto.

SUMMARY NO. 1190-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance to provide for the authorization of an Act of Dedication for a public road Grand Loop (Grand Point Estates – Phase II A & B) to be added to the St. Martin Parish Public Road System.

SUMMARY NO. 1191-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance to provide for the authorization of an Act of Dedication for a public road Bernadette Drive (Grand Point Estates – Phase II A & B) to be added to the St. Martin Parish Public Road System.

SUMMARY NO. 1192-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance to provide for the authorization of an Act of Dedication for a public road Elizabeth Lane (Grand Point Estates – Phase II A & B) to be added to the St. Martin Parish Public Road System.

A general discussion of items not requiring council action ensued amongst Parish President Guy Cormier and the Council Members. Parish Attorney Chester Cedars advised the Council Members of a new development, as of meeting time, pertaining to the Parish Ordinance No. 15-08-1105-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 Sections 20-172 and 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). At this time, this matter is being handled by former Legal Counsel Andrew Shealy on behalf of the Council. Parish Attorney Chester Cedars stated a meeting was had a couple of weeks ago with all the attorneys involved in an effort to get this matter resolved. Prior to tonight's meeting a lady introduced herself as an attorney from the Law Firm of Smith & Fawyer, LLC and handed another suit (*on-file*) to Parish Attorney Chester Cedars. Parish Attorney Chester Cedars will inform former Legal Counsel Andrew Shealy of this new development.

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:



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LACI LAPEROUSE  
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

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