

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 4, 2020

The St. Martin Parish Council met in Regular Session convened at 5:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 4, 2020, 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 Dean LeBlanc.

The Invocation was read by Brooke Gillespie, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tangie Narcisse.

The following members were present: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr. Members absent: None. Also present: Parish President Chester Cedars, Director of Administration Calder Hebert, Director of Finance Sean Hundley, Director of Public Works Kasey Courville, P.E., Deputy Clerk of the Council/PIO Brooke Gillespie and Parish Attorney Allan Durand.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Byron Fuselier to approve the minutes of the St. Martin Parish Council Regular Meeting of January 14, 2020.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the motion was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Carla JeanBatiste 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, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the motion was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

Chairman Dean LeBlanc asked for public comments regarding ordinances being considered for final adoption.

Deputy Clerk of the Council Brooke Gillespie read each ordinance summary.

Parish President Chester Cedars requested Ordinance Summary No. 1286-OR {An Ordinance to amend Article III of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, by the repeal, revision, enactment and/or re-enactment of Section 14-66, all relative to the St. Martin Parish flood plain ordinance.} be deferred until the March 3, 2020, Regular Meeting to allow the administration adequate time to investigate issues relative to the proposed amendment.

Upon 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 Chris Tauzin and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the Public Hearing be closed.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin,
Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the motion was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

A motion was made by Byron Fuselier and seconded by Brook Champagne that the following ordinance be deferred until March 3, 2020:

ORDINANCE SUMMARY NO. 1286-OR

An Ordinance to amend Article III of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, by the repeal, revision, enactment and/or re-enactment of Section 14-66, all relative to the St. Martin Parish flood plain ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Parish Council of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, duly convened in regular session on the 4th day of February, 2020, that:

Section 14-66 of Article III of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances for St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, be amended by the repeal, revision, enactment, and/or re-enactment of Section 14-66 as follows:

Sec. 14-66. - General standards.

- (1) In all areas of Special Flood Hazard, the following provisions are required for all new construction and substantial improvements:
 - (a) All new construction or substantial improvements shall be designed (or modified) and adequately anchored to prevent flotation, collapse or lateral movement of the structure resulting from hydrodynamic and hydrostatic loads, including the effects of buoyancy;
 - (b) All new construction or substantial improvements shall be constructed by methods and practices that minimize flood damage;
 - (c) All new construction or substantial improvements shall be constructed with materials resistant to flood damage;
 - (d) All new construction or substantial improvements shall be constructed with electrical, heating, ventilation, plumbing, and air conditioning equipment and other service facilities that are designed and/or located so as to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components during conditions of flooding;
 - (e) All new and replacement water supply systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of floodwaters into the system;
 - (f) New and replacement sanitary sewage systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of floodwaters into the system and discharge from the systems into floodwaters;

- (g) On-site waste disposal systems shall be located to avoid impairment to them or contamination from them during flooding;
- (h) Fill or other materials placed within a known flood hazard or floodplain shall be protected against erosion. Acceptable means of protection include but are not limited to rip-rap, vegetation covers, hydro-mulch, erosion control matting or bulk heading;
- (i) All developments shall comply with the provisions of article IV of this chapter, pertaining to development drainage detention; and
- (j) The parish shall not permit the development of any land in a flood hazard, floodplain or floodway area where such land is found to be incompatible with its proposed use due to poor drainage, flooding or other factors which would make the area vulnerable to flood damages that could pose a potential hazard to public health and safety. A development proposed within a flood hazard, floodplain or floodway being identified as such by the latest edition FIRM maps shall be in accordance with the applicable regulatory agencies.

(2) Freeboard Requirements:

In all areas of St. Martin Parish, Special Flood Hazard areas and otherwise, the following provisions are required for all new construction and substantial improvements:

- (a) All new residential, nonresidential and manufactured home structures, and any substantial improvements related to the same shall have the minimum lowest floor elevation be one foot above the highest of the following three measurements:
 - 1. Base flood elevation as determined by the latest flood insurance rate map (FIRM) as issued by FEMA;
 - 2. Centerline of the nearest street across from or adjacent to the structure; or
 - 3. Highest recorded historical or modeled (100-year) inundation levels.
- (b) All mechanical equipment must also comply with the above minimum lowest floor elevation requirements.
- (c) Should the above freeboard calculation requirement result in an unreasonable elevation, a waiver may be requested.
- (d) A licensed land surveyor or engineer will be required to certify (a)(2) and/or (a)(3) above through the use of the Freeboard Elevation Form.

- (e) "Freeboard Elevation Form" shall be available at the St. Martin Parish Government building, 400 Port Street, St. Martinville, La., and shall be used in determinations relative to this section.

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 given effect without the invalid provision or application.

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

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Tangie Narcisse, Carla JeanBatiste, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin,
Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

And the Ordinance was declared deferred this 4th day of February, 2020.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-02-1287-OR

An Ordinance to amend and/or revise Article IV of Chapter 28 of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances by the repeal, revision, enactment, and/or re-enactment of Sections 28-100 through 28-105 of the said Article IV of Chapter 28 to provide for the abolition of the St. Martin Parish Recreation Steering Committee, the creation of the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors, and to provide for all other matters related thereto.

WHEREAS, La.R.S. 33:4553, *et seq*, provides for the creation of a board to supervise, maintain, and govern recreational activities at the recreational facilities within a parish governing authority's jurisdictional boundaries; and

WHEREAS, by ordinance adopted on March 16, 1966, the governing authority of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, availing itself of the provisions of La.R.S. 33:4553, *et seq*, created "The St. Martin Parish Recreation and Playground Board" to serve the function and purposes set forth in the foregoing statutes of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, to clarify much confusion and misunderstanding which developed over the years, on September 5, 2017, the St. Martin Parish Council adopted Ordinance Number 17-09-1189-OR which enacted Sections 28-100 through 28-105, these edicts establishing the "St. Martin Parish Recreation Steering Committee", abolishing the aforesaid St. Martin Parish Recreation and Playground Board, and providing for the board composition and other related matters; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government Recreation Program currently consists of both the aforesaid St. Martin Parish Recreation Steering Committee and individual directors for each park which comprise the St. Martin Parish Government's Recreational Program; and

WHEREAS, there is no practical reason for the St. Martin Parish Recreation Steering Committee to continue to exist since its powers and duties are totally administrative and form a part of the executive duties and responsibilities of the Parish President under the dictates of the Home Rule Charter for St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the St. Martin Parish President, the Parish Council now desires to abolish the St. Martin Parish Recreation Steering Committee established by Ordinance Number 17-09-1189-OR and replace it with a governing body to be known as the “St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors”; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 15 of the Louisiana Constitution provides that the governing authority of a local governmental subdivision has general power over any agency heretofore and hereinafter created by it, including without limitation, the right to abolish the said agency; and

WHEREAS, La.R.S. 33:1415 further provides in pertinent part that in any case where the governing authority of any parish shall have created or established any entity having governmental functions, power, or authority, such governing authority is authorized to abolish same:

BE IT, THEREFORE, ORDAINED that Article IV of Chapter 28 of the Code of Ordinances for St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, be amended and/or revised by the repeal, revision, enactment, and/or re-enactment of Sections 28-100 through 28-105, as follows:

Section 28-100. Creation of Board and Composition.

Pursuant to Sections 8-05 and/or 8-06 of the Home Rule Charter for St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, and in accordance with the provisions of La.R.S. 33:4553, *et seq*, there is hereby created and established within the jurisdictional boundaries of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, a recreation board hereby designated as the “St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors”. This board shall consist of six (6) members who shall be appointed by the Parish President. There shall be one (1) Director appointed for each of the following parks owned, operated, and/or within the jurisdiction of St. Martin Parish:

Cecile Rousseau Memorial Park situated in the Village of Parks, Louisiana

Clayton Boudreaux Memorial Park located in the community of Catahoula, Louisiana

Paul Angelle Park situated in the community of Cecilia, Louisiana

Magnolia Park located in the City of St. Martinville, Louisiana

Parc Hardy situated in the City of Breaux Bridge, Louisiana

Furthermore, the Parish President shall appoint a sixth board member who shall serve as the Chairperson of the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors and who shall have general supervisory authority over the remaining five (5) board members. Additionally, the Chairperson shall be a voting member.

All members of the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors shall reside in St. Martin Parish, Louisiana. A quorum of the board shall be and is hereby defined as a majority of the members thereof. The board may have additional members to be appointed, all at the discretion of the Parish President, with the number of board members not to exceed nine (9).

The appointment of all directors referenced herein, and the compensation fixed by the Parish President as referenced in Section 28-101, shall be confirmed by a majority of the St. Martin Parish Council.

Section 28-101. Term.

All members shall serve a term of five (5) years at a compensation rate to be determined by the Parish President. Any board member may be removed at the pleasure of the Parish President.

Section 28-102. Duties.

The St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors shall have the authority to manage, supervise, and control all recreational programs sponsored by St. Martin Parish, including, but not limited to, youth softball, baseball, soccer, and other similar activities. Furthermore, the board shall have the power and duty to establish reasonable rules and regulations governing the scheduling and conduct of all programs and events which are associated with the parish recreational program. Additionally, the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors shall provide for such charges or fees for participation in any facet of the recreational programs sponsored by the St. Martin Parish Government. Such fees or charges shall be in an amount deemed reasonable and necessary in order to defray the expenses of providing equipment, umpires/referees, and related amenities associated with recreational programs.

The St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors shall not have the authority to make any additions or improvements to any park, playground, or recreation center without advanced approval from the Parish President. Moreover, no playground equipment shall be purchased or installed on

any playground, park, or recreation center without the said equipment being approved by the Parish President, or his designee, to insure that same satisfies all required safety guidelines.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, however, and in addition thereto, all such actions of the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors shall be subject to the approval of the St. Martin Parish President or his designee. No person shall be employed or engaged by oral or written contract by the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors unless and until the person and the terms of his/her employment or engagement are approved by the Parish President, save and except the retention of referees/umpires. Moreover, the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors shall be answerable directly to the Parish President who shall have authority to adopt all steps to insure that the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors operates in accordance with the powers and duties conferred upon it by this ordinance and/or by the inherent authority of the St. Martin Parish President.

Section 28-103. Donations.

On behalf of, and in the name of, the St. Martin Parish Government, the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors may accept any donation of movable or immovable property for either temporary or permanent use for playgrounds or other recreational purposes, provided that the Parish President and Parish Council approve of same and provided that all dictates as established by the Parish President and/or the Parish Council are adhered to. Funds received for such purposes, unless otherwise provided by the terms of this donation, shall be deposited with the Treasurer of St. Martin Parish Government for the account of the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors or any other body having charge of the respective facilities.

This provision shall not be interpreted as abrogating the mandates set forth in Section 2-11 of the Home Rule Charter of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

Section 28-104. Contracts or Obligations.

The St. Martin Parish Government shall not be responsible for any contracts or obligations made or incurred by the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors until and unless such contracts or obligations are approved by the Parish President. All purchases of materials or services for an amount in excess of Five Hundred and No/100 (\$500.00) Dollars shall be approved by the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors and then submitted to the St. Martin Parish Government for final approval prior to the confection of any purchase.

Section 28-105. Funds Collected.

All funds collected or generated by the operation(s) under the jurisdiction and authority of the St. Martin Parish Recreation Board of Directors shall be submitted to the Finance Department of the St. Martin Parish Government to be deposited in the appropriate recreational funds account.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in accordance with the authority granted by Article VI, Section 15 of the Louisiana Constitution, La.R.S. 33:1415, and any other constitutional and/or statutory authorities, the St. Martin Parish Recreation Steering Committee established by Ordinance Number 17-09-1189-OR be and is hereby abolished.

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 parish ordinance heretofore adopted by the St. Martin Parish Government, or its predecessor, which is in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby deemed to be repealed with respect to the conflicting provision(s).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon the signature of the Parish President.

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

- YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: None.

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

Parish President Chester Cedars clarified that this ordinance does not affect Recreation District No. 1.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 20-007-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government is operating the Breaux Bridge and Cecilia Health Units due to the State of Louisiana’s decision to end their operations at these two sites; and

WHEREAS, St. Martin Parish Government is now a contracted vendor with the Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC); and

WHEREAS, a requirement of this contract is to provide nutritional educational services; and

WHEREAS, this is a specialty service which must be provided by a certified technician; and

WHEREAS, said contract with St. Martin Parish Government and Jaime M. Rinaudo is for one (1) year and shall be effective February 1, 2020, and will expire on January 31, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize Parish President Chester Cedars to execute a contract in behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government with Jaime M. Rinaudo to provide nutritional educational services.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin,
Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

A motion was made by Vincent Alexander and seconded by Tangie Narcisse that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-008-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government needs the services of the Lafayette Juvenile Detention Home to detain St. Martin Parish juveniles committed by the Courts to the Louisiana Department of Corrections; and

WHEREAS, the Detention Home requires as a condition of its acceptance, assurances from St. Martin Parish Government that it shall pay the Lafayette Juvenile Detention Home a current daily per diem of \$250.00 per day per each juvenile from St. Martin Parish so committed, plus any medical expenses in excess of routine medical matters handled by the Lafayette Juvenile Detention Home's regular physician.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martin Parish Council, in Regular Session convened this 4th day of February, 2020, that the Parish President be, and he is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to enter into an agreement embodying the mutual considerations contained therein with the Lafayette Juvenile Detention Home for 2020.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin,
Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

A motion was made by David Poirier and seconded by Brook Champagne that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-009-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government is required to complete the Louisiana System Survey and Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagement of Government Entities annually; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has contracted with Maraist & Maraist, Certified Public Accountants, to conduct the financial audit of fiscal year ending December 31, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize the execution of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the audit for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin,
Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

A motion was made by Daniel Richard, Jr., seconded by the entire Parish Council, and, therefore, unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-010-RS

A Resolution urging the Police Jury Association of Louisiana and officials of the State of Louisiana to study, evaluate, and revise the law of this State as regards statutorily unfunded mandates imposed upon parish governing authorities.

WHEREAS, statutory dictates impose upon parish governing authorities the obligation to fund expenses for separate and distinct statutorily and constitutionally created offices such as, but not limited to, judges, district attorneys, sheriffs, clerks of court, parish jails for which the sheriff is keeper, and coroners; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned mandates are not accompanied by any state funding sources; and

WHEREAS, as alluded to previously, those offices are created and operate independently of, and distinctly from, parish governing authorities except for the funding dictates forced upon the parishes; and

WHEREAS, parish governing authorities in the state of Louisiana are obligated to provide for critical local infrastructure such as, but not limited to, roads, bridges, and drainage, all without any allocated state funding; and

WHEREAS, parish governing authorities in the state of Louisiana are further compelled to provide additional paramount services for its citizens such as, but not limited to, water and sewerage services, animal control and protection, mosquito control, planning and zoning regulations, flood control measures, and recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the state unfunded mandates demanded from parish governing authorities have substantially and critically impaired and compromised the ability of local parish governing authorities to provide for effective and efficient local infrastructure and services such as those expressed in the foregoing paragraphs; and

WHEREAS, the judiciary of the State of Louisiana has observed that the unfunded mandates imposed upon parish governing authorities should be addressed by the Louisiana legislature; and

WHEREAS, the statutory scheme of the State of Louisiana as regards the imposition of unfunded mandates upon parish governments is outdated and in dire need of evaluation and revision:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL and PARISH PRESIDENT do hereby request that the State of Louisiana, acting through the Office of Governor, Louisiana Legislature, and Louisiana Department of Justice adopt affirmative steps to address the current structure of the law of this state as regards the myriad of unfunded mandates imposed upon parish governing authorities especially, though not inclusively, as same pertains to state constitutionally and statutorily created offices which are separate and distinct from parish governments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Police Jury Association of Louisiana adopt resolution(s) which embrace the substance of this declaration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Executive Director of the Police Jury Association, Governor John Bel Edwards, Attorney General Jeff Landry, and the Louisiana legislative delegation.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

Parish President Chester Cedars stated this Resolution is long overdue. Council Member Chris Tauzin asked if this was going to be brought to the Police Jury of Louisiana Annual Convention next week. Chairman Dean LeBlanc mentioned he would bring this Resolution with him, as he serves on the Police Jury Association of Louisiana Resolutions Committee.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 20-011-RS

WHEREAS, a contract for the Cade Park Pavilion, Basketball Court, and Paving Project, was awarded to low bidder, JC Construction, in the amount of \$1,776,000.00 (Base Bid and Alternates 1 & 2); and

WHEREAS, Vermilion Architects, L.L.C. has recommended Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$274,017.55 (increase); and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 2 also includes a twenty-eight (28) day extension in contract time for a completion date of May 17, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize, direct and empower the Parish President to execute Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$274,017.55 (increase) and a twenty-eight (28) day Contract Time extension for the Cade Park Pavilion, Basketball Court, and Paving Project, by JC Construction.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tausin,
Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 20-012-RS

WHEREAS, the Atchafalaya Trace was designated a National Heritage Area October 2006, a distinction given to only 37 areas in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the heritage area is to preserve the unique, regional landscape and culture while making it accessible to visitors and the general public; and

WHEREAS, the term for the St. Martin Parish representative is set to expire February 28, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Carol Patin as a commissioner of the Atchafalaya Trace Commission, representing St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 20-013-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council regretfully accepted the resignation of Mr. Carroll Delahoussaye and Mr. Danny Buillard as the St. Martin Parish members of the Spanish Lake Game and Fishing Preserve Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chris Tausin and Mr. Byron Fuselier have been recommended to fill the St. Martin Parish vacancies on the Spanish Lake Game and Fishing Preserve Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby appoint Mr. Chris Tausin and Mr. Byron Fuselier for four (4) year terms expiring on February 4, 2024, to serve as board members on the Spanish Lake Game and Fishing Preserve Commission.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tausin,
Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

A motion was made by Byron Fuselier and seconded by Carla JeanBatiste that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby extend the agenda for Resolution Summary Nos. 014-RS and 015-RS.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, 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 4th day of February, 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 20-014-RS

WHEREAS, a contract for the Cecilia Civic Center Project, was awarded to low bidder, Acadiané Renovations, Ltd., with a Base Bid in the amount of \$930,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Lynn Guidry Architect has recommended Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$3,625.60 (increase).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby ratify the signature of the Parish President on Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$3,625.60 (increase) for the Cecilia Civic Center Project, by Acadiané Renovations, Ltd.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 20-015-RS

RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AND RATIFYING THE PARISH PRESIDENT'S EXECUTION OF A CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION, PERTAINING TO THE CECILIA CIVIC CENTER PROJECT.

WHEREAS, Acadiané Renovations, Ltd. has, as of January 31, 2020, substantially completed the work on the Cecilia Civic Center, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, to expedite the assumption of the custody of the Cecilia Civic Center without any undue delay, Parish President executed, upon the advice and approval of the architect for the project, a certificate of substantial completion on Friday, January 31, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council hereby confirms and ratifies the substantial completion certificate executed by Parish President Chester Cedars on January 31, 2020, all as regards the Cecilia Civic Center Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish President be authorized and directed to have a copy of said Certificate recorded in the mortgage records of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and especially all subcontractors, architects, engineers, master-mechanics, workmen, laborers, and furnishers of material, machinery, and fixtures.

Public Notice is given, according to law, that the undersigned Owner has accepted the work done by Acadiané Renovations, Ltd. under its contract with said contractor pertaining to the Cecilia Civic Center Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

All subcontractors, architects, engineers, master-mechanics, workmen, laborers, and furnishers of materials, machinery, fixtures, and supplies must assert whatever claims they have against the said Contractor, growing out of the execution of the Contract.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at St. Martin Parish, Louisiana on this 5th day of February, 2020.

OWNER: ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT

BY: /s/ Chester Cedars
Parish President Chester R. Cedars

Prior to adjournment, Parish President Chester Cedars advised the Police Jury Association of Louisiana Conference will be held next week, and he encourages all in attendance to be active in the break-out sessions. Parish President Chester Cedars mentioned a meeting will be held tomorrow with Huval & Associates regarding the Pontoon Bridge Project. Parish President Chester Cedars plans to meet with other parishes soon to get some idea of what other parishes are doing regarding unfunded mandates. Parish President Chester Cedars advised the first formal meeting of the Region 5 Steering Committee of the Louisiana Watershed Initiative on February 20, 2020. Parish President Chester Cedars also mentioned of a meeting had with Lafayette Mayor-President Josh Guillory to exchange ideas to move Acadiana forward. Parish President Chester Cedars introduced St. Martin Parish Government's new employee Ronald Solari. Council Member Byron Fuselier reminded everyone of the annual BBQ dinners, which will be held Sunday, February 16, 2020. This is a fundraiser for the Evangeline Volunteer Fire Department. Council Member Chris Tauzin requested an update on the Coteau Holmes Landing and floating piers. Parish President Chester Cedars advised the projects in which are being funded through the Restore Act are raising the boat landing at Bayou Benoit, floating piers at Catahoula Lake and also Uncle Dick Davis Park. Parish President Chester Cedars stated these projects should begin within 4-6 weeks. Council Member Vincent Alexander asked when is the scheduled opening of the Cecilia Civic Center. Parish President Chester Cedars mentioned by mid-March it should be ready, as long as the parking lot, furniture and other items are completed. Parish President Chester Cedars stated residents are urged to contact St. Martin Parish Government Annex building to schedule events at the center.

A motion was made by Byron Fuselier seconded by Chris Tauzin that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby adjourn. Motion was unanimously approved.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:



LACI LAPEROUSE
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL