

**WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 26, 2012
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL/GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING
880 NORTH ALEXANDER AVENUE, PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA
6:30PM**

The Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council was held on Thursday, April 26, 2012 and called to order. Council Chairman Gary Spillman requested a brief moment of silence for Naomi Fair's former husband, Jerome T. "Bo-Leg" Fair, and also Bob Robertson's father, Cleo "Cleo" Payne, Sr., who passed away and that families be kept in prayers. Following the moment of silence Mr. Spillman recognized Chris Kershaw, who led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call was taken with the following member being present:
Messrs. Phil Porto, Jr., Chris "Fish" Kershaw, Ms. Charlene Gordon, Messrs. Ricky Loupe, Gary M. Spillman, Randal "Randy" Mouch, Barry Hughhins

Absent: Ms. Naomi Fair, Mr. Edward G. "Bob" Robertson

Parish President Riley Berthelot, Jr. was also present.

Mr. Kershaw was recognized under item 6 (communications with council members and/or other elected or appointed officials) and reminded council members in office last year that May 15th is the filing deadline for the personal financial disclosure statements, but newly elected members should be exempt.

Mr. Mouch was recognized to express thanks on behalf of Tammy Seneca and self to everyone that donated and participated in the Relay for Life walk. Mr. Spillman also expressed thanks to participants and confirmed Parish Council was the most represented of the elected officials.

Executive Assistant Jason Manola was recognized under item 8 (consider status report, change orders and/or other matters as required on current projects) and confirmed that each individual generator site environmental phase was almost completed for sewer lift stations (LRA Projects), and requested approval to allow to bid out upon completion (generators will be bid separately from installation with some work done in-house by parish forces).

A motion was made by Mr. Ricky Loupe, seconded by Mr. Barry Hughhins to authorize administration to bid out twenty-nine (29) Sewer Lift Station Generators for the purpose of providing back up power to the generators for existing sewer lift station pumps as aforementioned.

Roll call vote on the motion was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Porto, Kershaw, Ms. Gordon, Messrs. Loupe, Spillman, Mouch, Hughhins)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Mr. Robertson, Ms. Fair)

As a result of the roll call vote the motion was unanimously adopted by those members present.

Riley Berthelot, Jr. was recognized under Parish President's Report regarding the following:
Received authorization from WBR Transportation Authority to sign contract with CDM Smith for investment grade study (32 week project) for La. 1/I-10 Connector;
Reminded of Great American Cleanup scheduled for Saturday, April 28th from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon and requested volunteers on behalf of Director Mary Delapasse (Keep West Baton Rouge Beautiful);
Reminded of National Day of Prayer ceremony scheduled for Thursday, May 3rd on Port Allen levee at 6:30pm;
Reminded of annual golf tournament (morning and evening round) and crawfish boil scheduled at West Side Golf Course Friday, April 27th at 5:30PM.

Based on Mr. Mouch's request Mr. Berthelot provided additional information on email regarding Union Pacific increased work load and traffic volume (approximately 12 trains per day) and routes.

Gary Spillman was recognized under Council Chairman's Report regarding the following:
Expressed thanks to Ricky Loupe and Council for handling the 4/12/12 meeting during family visit to Disney World;
Status and effect of bills in legislature.

Mr. Spillman made brief statement clarifying that the permanent right-of-way resolution for Magee was no longer required as parish attorney and administration had resolved issue with Cypress Gas Pipeline Company through letter agreement.

The Council Clerk read by title the below proposed ordinances being introduced and publicized by title, and considered for adoption following a public hearing at the meeting of June 14, 2012 at 6:30PM in the Council Meeting Room, 880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen, La.:

Amend Chapter 104 Zoning for the rezoning request of Bernard E. Jackson, 2959 Lukeville Lane, Brusly, La. from R-SF-3 (Residential Single Family District containing 22,500 square feet) to Commercial Seasonal Outdoor with Special Use Permit to operate BBQ Take-out;
Amend Chapter 104 Zoning for request of Campo Investments, LLC, Brusly Commons, 4443 Highway 1 S, Port Allen, La. designated as Lot LS for Special Use Permit to operate a Tavern within C-1.2 (Community-Scaled Commercial District).

Mr. Spillman added that these requests were scheduled to be considered by the Zoning Commission June 5, 2012 for recommendation.

Brief discussion was held on 8 year terms for Planning & Zoning Commission members, and Mr. Spillman explained Randy Mouch requested vacancy created by Kevin LeBlanc's resignation from said board be deferred until full Council present at next meeting.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Ricky Loupe, seconded by Ms. Charlene Gordon and adopted by acclamation.

/s/Gary M. Spillman
Gary M. Spillman, Council Chairman

/s/Sharon Zito
Sharon Zito, Council Clerk