

**REGULAR MEETING – WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL/GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING
880 NORTH ALEXANDER AVENUE, PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA
JULY 11, 2013 – 6:30PM**

The Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council was held on Thursday, July 11, 2013 and called to order. Council Chairman Gary Spillman requested that all electronic devices be silenced and recognized Chris Kershaw, who led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll-Call Pro System was attempted and verbal roll call had to be taken with the following members being present:

Messrs. Phil Porto, Jr., Chris “Fish” Kershaw, Ricky Loupe, Gary M. Spillman, Randal “Randy” Mouch, Edward G. “Bob” Robertson, Ms. Naomi Fair, Mr. Barry Huggins

Absent: Ms. Charlene Gordon

Parish President Riley Berthelot, Jr. was also present.

A motion was made by Mr. Phil Porto, Jr., seconded by Mr. Edward Robertson to approve the minutes of the Regular Meetings of June 13, 2013 and June 27, 2013 as published in the Parish Official Journal.

Roll call vote on the motion was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Messrs. Loupe, Spillman, Mouch, Robertson, Ms. Fair, Messrs. Huggins, Porto, Kershaw)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Gordon)

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

Any amendments to the agenda and public comments were requested at this time and there were none.

Brusly Mayor Joey Normand was recognized under item 7 (communications with council members and/or elected or appointed officials) regarding Brusly (Fire Sub-District No. 2) appropriated funds for lobbying legislature to change the way fire protection tax revenue is distributed and create parish-wide fire district by consolidating six (6) sub-districts. Mr. Normand urged expediting the challenging process prior to July 1, 2014 deadline.

Messrs. Huggins, Mouch, Berthelot, and Spillman expressed support. Discussion held on process timeline, input from all agencies involved, and required cooperative endeavor agreements.

Riley Berthelot, Jr. was recognized under Parish President’s Report regarding the following: Confirmed receipt of three (3) municipal concurring resolutions on parish-wide fire district; Informed of Greater Baton Rouge Clean City Coalition announcement at workshop meeting on Monday that Cash’s Truck Stop was DEQ grant recipient for IdleAir August installation of

36 long-haul truck parking spots for hook-up to air-conditioning, television, internet and electrical power without having to keep trucks running (reducing emissions);

Announced La 1/I-10 Connector Department of Transportation & Development presentation scheduled for July 24, 2013 at 10:45am (Marriott Hotel on Hilton Avenue in Baton Rouge) and should be available for another presentation for either the July 25th or August 8th meeting.

Mr. Mouch clarified fencing was to be installed around controls for splash-pads due to activation education.

Gary Spillman was recognized under Council Chairman's Report and announced that Charlene Gordon was not present tonight due to funeral arrangement preparations for two (2) family members, who recently passed away, and requested keeping family in prayers.

The Council Clerk read by title into the record the below proposed ordinances being introduced and publicized by title, and considered for adoption following public hearing at the meeting of August 8, 2013 at 6:30PM in the Council Meeting Room, 880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen, La.

Amend Chapter 104 Zoning for rezoning request of West Baton Rouge Parish Government, 1725 Reverend Manual Street, Port Allen, La. designated as Lots 17A, 17B & 17C, Marionneaux Subdivision from R-PH (Patio Home District) to R-SF-1 (Residential-Single Family District);

Amend Chapter 104 Zoning for rezoning request of West Baton Rouge Parish Government, Red Hat Road, Brusly, La. designated as the remaining portion of one lot and remaining portion of 7.70 acres & another 10 acres located in Section 20, T8S-R12E from R-PH (Patio Home District) to R-SF-1 (Residential-Single Family District).

Public Works Director Kevin Durbin was recognized, reviewed the variance application & evaluation form for Debra Mannino, 1409 Rue Riviere Drive, Port Allen, La., confirmed applicant's presence, provided aerial view of property, and explained request in connection with pool construction and setback fencing variance. Applicant recognized and requested approval for security and privacy of courtyard. Mr. Spillman confirmed adjacent neighbors had signed letters "no objection" to 7 foot stucco wall.

A motion was made by Ms. Naomi Fair, seconded by Mr. Ricky Loupe to approve the fencing variance request within setback as aforementioned for Debra Mannino, 1409 Rue Riviere Drive, Port Allen, La. designated as Lot 14, Vieux Riviere Subdivision as department heads and adjacent property owners' signatures of "no objection" had been obtained.

Roll call vote on the motion was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Messrs. Loupe, Spillman, Mouch, Robertson, Ms. Fair, Messrs. Hughhins, Porto, Kershaw)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Gordon)

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

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Ricky Loupe at 7:10PM and adopted by acclamation.

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

/s/Sharon Zito
Sharon Zito, Council Clerk