

**REGULAR MEETING OF WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL  
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL/GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING  
880 NORTH ALEXANDER AVENUE, PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA  
MARCH 28, 2013 - 6:30PM**

The Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council was held on Thursday, March 28, 2013 and called to order. Council Chairman Gary Spillman requested that all electronic devices be silenced. Mr. Spillman recognized Bill Slaughter, who led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

At this time Mr. Spillman announced that Messrs. Mouch and Robertson had sent word that they would not be able to attend the meeting tonight. Parish Attorney Lou Delahaye advised that since the overhead screen projector was not functioning to display vote verbal roll call would have to be taken.

Roll call was taken with the following members being present:

Messrs. Phil Porto, Jr., Chris "Fish" Kershaw, Ms. Charlene Gordon, Mr. Gary M. Spillman, Ms. Naomi Fair, Mr. Barry Hughhins

Absent: Messrs. Randal "Randy" Mouch, Ricky Loupe, Edward G. "Bob" Robertson

Parish President Riley Berthelot, Jr. was also present.

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Mr. Berthelot was recognized and explained copy of the proclamation declaring April as "Bike Month" in West Baton Rouge Parish was in meeting packet and had also been mailed since representative could not attend meeting tonight.

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Public comments and communications with council members and/or elected or appointed officials were requested at this time and there were none.

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Mr. Berthelot was recognized under item 9 (consider status report, change order and/or other matters as required on current projects) to advise that budgeted road materials for 2013 is scheduled to be advertised for bids and considered upon submission of same.

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Riley Berthelot, Jr. was recognized under Parish President's Report regarding meeting held at Dow Chemical with Mitchell Ourso, Sheriffs Stassi and Cazes on construction of new Saudi Arabian plant and training program at Plaquemine facility for 75 or more technicians and operators, who will be living primarily in the Sugar Mill apartments.

Mr. Loupe entered the meeting at 6:35PM.

Mr. Berthelot continued report reminding of annual Kite Fest scheduled for next weekend.

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Gary Spillman was recognized under Council Chairman's Report, discussed the low attendance of local children on Kite Fest Student Day scheduled for Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, and suggested contacting Mr. Corona on this matter.

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The Council Chairman read by title into the record the below proposed ordinance being introduced and publicized by title, and considered for adoption following public hearing at the meeting of April 25, 2013 at 6:30PM in the Council Meeting Room, 880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen, La.:

Consolidation of Waterworks District No. 2 into the West Baton Rouge Parish Natural Gas & Water Systems (Public Utilities).

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 hearings at the meeting of May 9, 2013 at 6:30PM in the Council Meeting Room, 880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen, La.:

Amend Chapter 104 Zoning for request of Keith Morris and Sugar West Farms, 3521 Belmont Road, Port Allen, La. designated as portion of Tract 2 of Belmont Plantation for Special Use Permit to allow residence within I-1 (Light Industrial District);

Amend Chapter 104 Zoning for rezoning request of Robert W. Essick, Jr., 4936 Bueche Road, Port Allen, La. from A (Agricultural District) to C-1.2 (Community-Scaled Commercial District).

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Mr. Porto was recognized at this time representing Shedrick Winfield on concrete apron variance request approved at last meeting for construction of 30 x 50 storage building and contingency requiring adjacent property owner signatures of “no objection” to variance, which after 3 weeks has been unsuccessful due to illness of one party. Mr. Porto clarified before additional construction commences at this site the driveway with its 35 foot turning radius will have to be installed prior to issuance of building permit and requested that variance be approved without signatures for the apron. Mr. Porto offered to answer any questions.

A motion was made by Mr. Phil Porto, Jr. seconded by Ms. Charlene Gordon to approve the concrete apron variance without adjacent property owner signatures of “no objection” at this point, but requiring installation of aforementioned apron prior to issuance of building permit for any subsequent construction for Fishers of Men Tabernacle, 3031 U S Highway 190 W, Port Allen, La.

Parish Attorney stated that signatures of “no objection” were not required part of ordinance and were only obtained as courtesy to neighbors. At this time the Council Clerk read motion as previously adopted 3/14/13 into the record. Mr. Kershaw clarified vote on new motion makes last one null and void.

Roll call vote on the motion was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Mr. Kershaw, Ms. Fair, Mr. Loupe, Ms. Gordon, Messrs. Porto, Spillman, Huggins)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Mouch, Robertson)

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

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At this time under Correspondence Report the Council Clerk read excerpt from the West Baton Rouge Parish Planning & Zoning Commission agenda scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, 2013.

At this time Mr. Spillman wished everyone “Happy Easter”.

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There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Charlene Gordon, seconded by Mr. Chris Kershaw and adopted by acclamation at 6:45PM.

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

/s/Sharon Zito  
Sharon Zito, Council Clerk