

**WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING
880 NORTH ALEXANDER AVENUE, PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA
AUGUST 25, 2016 - 6:30PM**

The Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council was held on Thursday, August 25, 2016 and called to order at 6:30pm. Council Chairman Gary Spillman requested that all electronic devices be placed on silent as the meeting opened with The Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Chris Kershaw.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the following members as being present:
Messrs. Chris "Fish" Kershaw, Barry Huggins, Edward G. "Bob" Robertson, Gary Spillman, Ricky Loupe, Kirk Allain, Phil Porto Jr. and Ms. Charlene Gordon.

Absent Ms. Naomi Fair.

Also present were, Mr. Riley Berthelot, Parish President, Mr. Phillip Bourgoyne, Director of Finance and Ms. Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry Huggins, seconded by Mr. Chris Kershaw to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2016 regular meeting.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the motion as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Messrs. Kershaw, Porto, Huggins, Robertson, Spillman, Allain, Loupe, Ms. Gordon)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #5 Consider any Amendments to the Agenda, there were the following items to consider: a) Consider 2017 Budget Schedule as presented by Finance Director Phillip Bourgoyne b) Accept/Reject Certificate of Substantial Completion on Winterville Tank Repair & Repaint Project. There were no questions from the council at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry Huggins, seconded by Mr. Ricky Loupe to amend tonight's agenda to include the aforementioned items.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the motion as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Messrs. Kershaw, Porto, Huggins, Robertson, Spillman, Allain, Loupe, Ms. Gordon)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

As a result of the votes the motion was unanimously adopted by present members and the agenda therefore amended.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #6 Parish President's Report, and recognized President Berthelot who covered the following items: Updated the Council on the approximately forty homes in our parish impacted by the storm last week, we are currently trying to track all dollars spent in order to get federal aid for our parish, the sandbag machine recently purchased was used to fill over seven thousand sandbags during the recent storm, during the recent conference call with our Police Jury Association of

Louisiana we were informed that 48 out of 64 parishes in Louisiana are currently under federal aid. Councilman Huggins thanked President Berthelot and noted that all of the calls he received were complimentary with the exception of one caller whom had a problem getting sand at one of the ballparks one morning, per President Berthelot this could have been between loads of sand being delivered at one point during the rain event. Mr. Huggins also asked President Berthelot to have someone check the Elm Grove Rd. Bridge to make sure that it has not been compromised by this recent rain event, President Berthelot confirmed that he would have someone from LADOTD inspect the bridge. There were no further questions for the Parish President at this time.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #8 Consider 2017 Budget Schedule as presented by Finance Director Phillip Bourgoyne, Mr. Bourgoyne was recognized and gave a brief rundown of said schedule included in the council packets. There were no questions for Mr. Bourgoyne at this time in reference to said schedule.

A Motion was made by Mr. Ricky Loupe to approve the aforementioned 2017 Budget Schedule, seconded by Mr. Chris Kershaw.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the motion as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Messrs. Kershaw, Porto, Huggins, Robertson, Spillman, Allain, Loupe, Ms. Gordon)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

A copy of said Budget Schedule is included at the end of these minutes.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #9 Public Comments, Mr. Tommy Dunn expressed his thanks to the parish for the drainage performance, however he also expressed his concerns over those citizens driving up and down the streets during the recent flood events causing water to go into some houses. He finished by asking that when flooding happens we have some streets closed off to joy riders if possible and thanked the council for their time.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #10 Communications with Council Members and/or Elected or Appointed Officials, Mayor of Town of Brusly, Joey Normand was recognized and pointed out that in his opinion we owe those who came before us a great deal of gratitude for putting the tax money in place and the drainage plan in place years ago to get the water out of our parish in case of a storm event like this.

Mr. Phillip Bourgoyne was recognized and pointed out that at the next meeting there will be a new pay plan being presented which will be a 2% pay plan between each step which will need to be implemented due to the new accounting software, and all employees needing to be on a step.

Chairman Spillman spoke and thanked the citizens of West Baton Rouge Parish for passing the drainage tax over the previous years and stated that he is glad that they can now see the results of what a tax can actually do for them, he finished by saying that yes we have a few things we need to correct but it is nice to see the results of tax money working for its citizens.

Councilman Porto questioned if we needed a commission or a committee looking into where this water will be draining in the future between here and the surrounding parishes south of us. President Berthelot will look into this, at one time there was a committee which did something to this effect.

Councilman Huggins gave an update on Revitalize America and how they are helping the flood victims, connectivity and how during a storm or emergency this could be an issue for some of these subdivisions that come before us, which only have one way in and out.

Councilman Kershaw was recognized and thanked President Berthelot and Mr. Jason Manola for their responses during the storms as well as the previous councils and administrators for their foresight and planning that helped us during this recent event.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #11 Public Hearing on previously introduced Ordinances, there were no items to consider at this time.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #12 Consider status report, Change order and/or other matters as required on current projects, specifically 12a) Accept/Reject Certificate of Substantial Completion on Winterville Tank Repair & Repaint Project, President Berthelot was recognized and asked that the council accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion on the Winterville Tank Repair & Repaint Project, the project was on time and did not have any overages.

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Kershaw, seconded by Ms. Charlene Gordon to accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion on the Winterville Tank Repair & Repaint Project.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the motion as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Messrs. Kershaw, Porto, Huggins, Robertson, Spillman, Allain, Loupe, Ms. Gordon)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

Chairman Spillman moved on to Item #13 Resolutions, specifically Item #13a) Resolution authorizing the Parish President to sign right of way agreement on the Ed Lejeune Road Extension Project, President Berthelot was again recognized and explained this agreement was to acquire a right of way servitude for the Ed Lejeune Extension Project where it comes out onto Choctaw Rd. There were a few questions from the council on the ownership and the maintenance of said road.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry Huggins, seconded by Mr. Kirk Allain to approve the aforementioned resolution.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the motion as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Messrs. Kershaw, Porto, Huggins, Robertson, Spillman, Allain, Loupe, Ms. Gordon)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

Resolution 21 of 2016 appears at the end of these minutes.

Item #14 Introduction of Ordinances there were none at this time.

Chairman Spillman moved on to Item #15 Consider Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes, Subdivision Plats, Condemnations and/or waivers and matters related thereto, specifically item #15a) File 2016-07 Final map showing resubdivision of Tract Y-3-A of the Brogdon Property into Tracts Y-3-A-1 & Y-3-A-2 located in sections 18 & 19, T7S, R12E, Southeast Land District, West of the Mississippi River, WBR Parish for Wayne Brogdon. Mr. Kevin Durbin, Public Works Director was recognized and pointed out to the council that just before the meeting it was brought to his attention that this plat had an issue that it did not meet the code due to the Agricultural portion not meeting the minimum four acre threshold. This was not caught when it was in front of the Planning commission and was just noticed only a few minutes before this council meeting. There was discussion in favor and against this plat from the following individuals:

Mr. Cletus Langlois	Councilman Porto	President Berthelot
Mr. Ryan Polansky	Councilman Spillman	Mr. Lou Delahaye
Ms. Lindsey Polansky	Councilman Loupe	Mr. Kevin Durbin
Mr. CA Altazan	Councilman Kershaw	

Mr. Jeremy Costello Councilman Huggins

After much discussion on this particular plat there was a motion made to deny this plat due to it not being a legal lot per the four acre minimum agricultural requirement by Mr. Phil Porto, seconded by Mr. Ricky Loupe

A substitute motion was made by Mr. Chris Kershaw to approve the aforementioned plat for Mr. Wayne Brogdon, seconded by Ms. Charlene Gordon.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the substitute motion as follows:

YEAS: 4 (Messrs. Kershaw, Allain, Robertson, Ms. Gordon)

NAYS: 4 (Messrs. Loupe, Porto, Spillman, Huggins)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

As a result of the votes the motion failed.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the original motion as follows:

YEAS: 4 (Messrs. Loupe, Porto, Spillman, Huggins)

NAYS: 4 (Kershaw, Allain, Robertson, Ms. Gordon)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

As a result of the votes the motion failed.

Chairman Spillman moved on to the Item #15b) b) File #2016-15 Final Plat of map showing subdivision of Lot 11-C Burbridge Tract into Lots 11-C-1 & 11-C-2 Located in Sections 65 & 91 T7S, R12E, SE Land District, West of the Mississippi River, WBR Parish for Russell John Daigle. Mr. Woody Triche was recognized and explained that the Daigle family is dividing out this one flag lot with no waivers, Councilman Porto spoke up and was in full support of this plat which he emphasized had no issues.

A motion was made by Mr. Phil Porto to approve the aforementioned plat, seconded by Mr. Ricky Loupe.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the motion as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Messrs. Kershaw, Porto, Huggins, Robertson, Spillman, Allain, Loupe, Ms. Gordon)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

Item #16 Consider Beer and/or Liquor Permits, there were none at this time.

Item #17 Appointments -WBR Capital Resource Conservation & Development Council – Mr. John Tilton & Mr. Leo Leblanc current terms expire September 30, 2016, Ms. Tullier was recognized and explained to the council that Mr. Tilton and Mr. Leblanc still wished to serve on this Council, there new terms would be from October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2018.

A motion was made by Mr. Phil Porto, seconded by Mr. Kirk Allain to reappoint Mr. Tilton and Mr. Leblanc to the aforementioned Council and the motion was adopted by acclamation.

Correspondence Report from Ms. Michelle Tullier included the following item:

- Next meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission set for September 6, 2016 at 5:30pm.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Charlene Gordon and adopted by acclamation at 8:40PM.


Gary M. Spillman, Council Chairman


Michelle Z. Tullier, Council Clerk

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2017 BUDGET SCHEDULE

8/25/2016

AUGUST 25, 2016	THURSDAY COUNCIL APPROVES SCHEDULE
SEPTEMBER 1, 2016	THURSDAY BUDGET PROCESS BEGINS
OCTOBER 5, 2016	WEDNESDAY ALL BUDGETS DUE IN COUNCIL OFFICE
OCTOBER 6 & 13, 2016	THURSDAY PUBLICATION OF ALL SPECIAL MEETINGS
OCTOBER 20, 2016	THURSDAY COUNCIL PRESENTED COPIES OF THE BUDGET
NOVEMBER 2, 2016 REVIEW	WEDNESDAY 6:00 PM SPECIAL MEETING BUDGET
NOVEMBER 3, 2016	THURSDAY 6:00 PM SPECIAL MEETING BUDGET REVIEW CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING
NOVEMBER 4, 2016	FRIDAY DEPARTMENTS MAKE CHANGES AND/OR ADJUSTMENTS TO PROPOSED BUDGETS PRIOR TO PUBLIC HEARINGS & ADOPTION.
NOVEMBER 10, 2016	THURSDAY 6:30 INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE
DECEMBER 08, 2016	THURSDAY PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT 2017 BUDGET

The following resolution was offered by motion of Mr. Barry Huggins, seconded by Mr. Kirk Allain.

RESOLUTION 21 OF 2016

A Resolution Authorizing the Parish President to Sign an Act of Donation, Road Right Way & Utility Servitude Agreement(s) with stated owner(s) for the Ed Lejeune Road Extension Project

WHEREAS, West Baton Rouge Parish desires to enter into a right of way agreement with the owner of the below described property designating the road right of way for the Ed Lejeune Road Extension Project; and

WHEREAS, River Bottom Whitetails, LLC owner of the property described below, agrees to grant and deliver unto the Parish of West Baton Rouge, a road right of way and utility servitude over and across the property described below:

Beginning from a Point (P.O.B.) being a found LDH Monument (broken) being at the Northeasterly most corner of the 60' Strip of Land being a Portion of Tract RBW-2 and being on the Southerly right-of-way limits of Louisiana State Highway Number 989-1 also known as Choctaw Road; thence South 10°48'01" West (Title Bearing: South 10°48'01" West) a distance of 1928.94 feet to a calculated point; thence North 79°11'59" West a distance of 60.00 feet to a placed one-half inch diameter iron pipe; thence North 10°48'01" East a distance of 1919.13 feet to a placed one-half inch diameter iron pipe being on the Southerly right-of-way limits of Louisiana State Highway Number 989-1 also known as Choctaw Road; thence South 88°29'08" East (Title Bearing: South 88°29'08" East) along said Southerly right-of-way limits of Louisiana State Highway Number 989-1 also known as Choctaw Road a distance of 60.80 feet to a LDH Monument (broken) being the Point of Beginning (P.O.B.)

Said 60' Strip of Land being a Portion of Tract RBW-2 bound as follows: Northerly by the right-of-way limits of Louisiana State Highway Number 989-1 also known as Choctaw Road, Easterly by property now or formerly George C. Latiolais, Jr., Southerly by property now or formerly of River Bottom Whitetails, LLC (a portion of Tract RBW-2) and Westerly by Hunters Pointe Subdivision (Lots 14-23 and Lot 26).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Parish of West Baton Rouge hereby accepts the donation of the road right-of-way and utility servitude over and across the above described property with gratitude.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the West Baton Rouge Parish Council does hereby authorize Parish President, Riley L. Berthelot, Jr. to execute a road right of way and utility servitude agreement with the River Bottom Whitetails, LLC property owner(s) (grantor) unto the Parish of West Baton Rouge (grantee).

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the votes on the resolution as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Ms. Gordon, Messrs. Spillman, Porto, Loupe, Allain, Robertson, Huggins, Kershaw)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ms. Fair)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

CERTIFICATE

I, Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said body at its Regular Meeting of August 25, 2016, at which meeting a majority of the members were present and voting.


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk