

**WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING-JUNE 11, 2015
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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, June 11, 2015 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.

Roll-Call Pro System recorded the following members as being present:

Messrs. Chris "Fish" Kershaw, Ricky Loupe, Barry Hughhins, Edward G. "Bob" Robertson, Ms. Charlene Gordon, Messrs. Gary Spillman & Randal Mouch.

Absent: Mr. Phil Porto & Ms. Naomi Fair

Also present were, Riley Berthelot, Parish President, Jason Manola, Executive Assistant and Lynn Cline, Planning & Zoning Secretary.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry Hughhins, seconded by Mr. Edward Robertson to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2015 regular meeting.

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

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

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Mr. Porto, 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 none at this time.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #6 Parish President Report, President Berthelot was recognized and started by touching on some current and future projects of the parish, he started off by presenting a map of the Sid Richardson Road Project, discussing the Dow Sixty Two Million dollar warehouse project and touched on the proposed Murphy Oil project. There were no questions for the Parish President at this time.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #7 Public Comments and asked if anyone from the public would like to speak. Jefferson Parish President John Young introduced himself to the council and briefly spoke on his current campaign for Lieutenant Governor. Mr. Young touched on a few of his accomplishments along with key items that he would like to work on if elected; such as strengthening tourism, government reform, job creation, accountability, transparency, promoting economic development and support for law enforcement. Mr. Young thanked the council for the time to speak and offered his contact information for anyone who had further questions.

Chairman Spillman thanked Mr. Young for taking time out of his busy schedule to come and speak to the council.

Mr. Evan Cooper was recognized and thanked the parish for the drainage work that has been taken care of with all of the local rainfall. There were no further public comments at this time.

Chairman Spillman asked if any Elected/Appointed Officials or any Council Members would like to speak under item #8, Ms. Gordon was recognized and thanked everyone for the turnout of Family Day at the Park and noted it was a great success, she also invited the councilmembers to

come out June 23rd to William and Lee Park to see a presentation from the YMCA on what will be going on at the camp sessions this summer.

Mr. Kershaw was recognized and thanked President Berthelot, Jason Manola & Mayor David Toups for meeting with them on an issue at Sugarmill.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #9, Accept or Reject roads material Bid. Mr. Manola was recognized and explained the Roads Material Bid Summaries. Mr. Manola reviewed all of the bids received and recommended accepting all of the noted low bidders as specified on the Roads Material Bid Summaries Spreadsheet presented to the council at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Kershaw, seconded by Mr. Barry Hughhins to accept the recommendations of administration for all bidders specified on the Roads Material Bid Summaries spreadsheet.

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

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

NAYS: 0 (None)

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

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item#1 O, Public Hearing on Previously introduced Ordinances, there were none at this time.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item#11, Designate the Parish Official Journal for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

A motion was made by Mr. Randal Mouch, seconded by Mr. Ricky Loupe to approve The West Side Journal as the Official Journal for the aforementioned period.

Mr. Hughhins asked about our bill in the Legislature, and Mr. Spillman noted we would check into this at the convention. President Berthelot asked if anyone was present from the West Side Journal to comment, there was no one present at the meeting.

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

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

NAYS: 0 (None)

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

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item # 12 Consider status report, Change order and/or other matters as required on current projects, there was nothing to report at this time.

There were no Resolutions to consider under item#13.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item # 14 Introduction of Ordinances and the following Ordinances were read by title into the record:

An ordinance to amend and reenact the West Baton Rouge Parish Code of Ordinances, Part III ("Unified Development Code"), Chapter 101 ("General Provisions"), Section 101-1 ("Definitions") to amend and readopt the standards for "flag lots". Public Hearing set for June 25, 2015.

An ordinance to repeal in its entirety a portion of the West Baton Rouge Parish Code of Ordinances, specifically Part II ("Code of Ordinances"), Chapter 2 ("Administration"), Article III ("Officers and Employees") Section 2-59 ("Same-Separated members"). Public Hearing set for June 25, 2015.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item #15, Consider Planning & Zoning Minutes, Subdivisions, Plats, Condemnations and/or Variances and matters related thereto, there were none at this time.

There were no Beer and/or Liquor permits at this time.

Chairman Spillman moved on to item# 17 Appointments, WBR Planning & Zoning Commission current member is Jim Russell Vallet, whose term expires July 12, 2015. Mr. Huggins was recognized and noted Mr. Vallet was in his district and he would like for him to continue on the Planning & Zoning Commission, with no other recommendations Mr. Vallet was appointed by acclamation.

Correspondence Report was the next meeting of the WBR Planning & Zoning Commission is June 16, 2015 at 5:30pm.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Charlene Gordon and adopted by acclamation at 6:53pm.



Gary M. Spillman, Council Chairman



Michelle Z. Tullier, Council Clerk
