

**WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING-MAY 14, 2015  
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, May 14, 2015 and called to order at 6:32pm. Council Chairman Gary Spillman requested that all electronic devices be placed on silent and recognized Mr. Phil Porto, who led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

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

Messrs. Chris "Fish" Kershaw, Phil Porto Jr., Barry Huggins, Edward G. "Bob" Robertson, Ms. Charlene Gordon, Messrs. Gary Spillman, Randal Mouch & Ms. Naomi Fair

Absent: Mr. Ricky Loupe

Also present were, Riley Berthelot, Parish President, Phillip Bourgoyne, Director of Finance and Lynn Cline, Planning & Zoning Secretary.

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A motion was made by Ms. Charlene Gordon, seconded by Mr. Chris Kershaw to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2015 regular meeting.

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

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

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Mr. Loupe)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

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Chairman Spillman moved on to item #5 Consider any Amendments to the Agenda; there were none at this time.

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Chairman Spillman moved on to item #6 Parish President Report, President Berthelot was recognized and started by thanking all who attended the National Prayer Day Service and also wanted to remind everyone about the Memorial Day service coming up Monday the 25th at 10AM in front of the courthouse. President Berthelot moved on and touched on updates for the Ed Lejeune project, Poplar Grove project, and also mentioned the addition of the new plant coming to the area near the site of the US Rail Terminal. Mr. Huggins made a brief comment on the paper running a story on this plant being a "waste plant", per Mr. Huggins this is not a waste plant it is a processing plant and no waste will be disposed of, he stated has done research on this technology and offered to help clarify if anyone has questions or concerns about this plant. Mr. Huggins questioned President Berthelot on concerns about logging that may be going on in the Erwinville area, and also concerns of signs put out by DOTD diverting traffic during recent construction. There were no further comments or questions for the Parish President at this time.

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Chairman Spillman moved on to item #7 Public Comments and asked if anyone from the public would like to speak, there were no public comments at this time.

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Chairman Spillman asked if any Elected/Appointed Officials or any Council Members would like to speak under item #8, Ms. Gordon was recognized and started by notifying everyone she has to step down at this time from the Council on Aging Board due to term limitations and noted that Mr. Bob Robertson would be taking her place on this board, she also reminded everyone about Family Day at the Park coming up. Mr. Huggins spoke briefly on citizens not putting grass clippings or branches etc. into the ditches to burn these items as well as refraining from using weed killer in the ditches, all of which contribute to erosion happening much quicker. Mr. Kershaw noted that tomorrow May 15th is the deadline for all elected officials to report 2014 Financial Disclosures. Chairman Spillman brought up a few items needing to be re-addressed by the council, such as flag lots, the roads in minor subdivisions and minimum design standards for T-turnarounds. Mr. Spillman requested the council to have the T-Turnaround item put on the agenda for the next meeting, the council concurred.

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Chairman Spillman moved on to item #9, Consider cancelling the July 9, 2015 council meeting due to the National Conference conflict.

A motion was made by Mr. Barry Huggins, seconded by Ms. Charlene Gordon to cancel the July 9, 2015 council meeting.

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

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

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Mr. Loupe)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

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Chairman Spillman moved on to item #10, Public Notice Announcement, Introduction to Adopt the millage rate for 2015 tax year, Mr. Phillip Bourgoyne read aloud the following notice: The West Baton Rouge Parish Council will hold a public meeting at the regular meeting place, West Baton Rouge Parish Council/Governmental Building at 880 North Alexander Ave, Port Allen, La 70767, on Thursday, June 25th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. to adopt the millage rate for 2015 tax year.

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Chairman Spillman moved on to item #11 on the agenda, there were none at this time.

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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.

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There were no Resolutions to consider under item #13.

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

An Ordinance adopting an Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016 as published for the West Baton Rouge Parish Council on Aging. Said Ordinance will have a public hearing on May 28, 2015.

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 clarify the definition of mobile home parks / manufactured home parks. Said Ordinance will have a public hearing on May 28, 2015.

An ordinance to amend and reenact the West Baton Rouge Parish Code of Ordinances, Part III ("Unified Development Code"), Chapter 107 ("Building Regulations"), Article II ("Building Code"), Section 107-19 ("Adopted") to adopt the most recent statewide Uniform Construction Code. Said Ordinance will have a Public Hearing on July 23, 2015.

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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.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

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- Will be announced to the public at the May 14th meeting
  - Needs to be published in the official journal on April 30th
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There were no Beer and/or Liquor permits at this time.

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Chairman Spillman moved on to item#17 Appointments , item 17a) WBR Library Board- Consider recommendation of Ms. Ola Harden to fill vacancy from Ms. Gladys Hightower. . . (Term to expire 12/31/2016)

A motion was made by Ms. Charlene Gordon, seconded by Mr. Barry Huggins, to appoint Ms. Ola Harden to the Library Board with a term to expire on 12/31/2016.

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

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

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Mr. Loupe)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

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Correspondence Report was the next meeting of the WBR Planning & Zoning Commission is May 19th 2015 at 5:30pm.

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At this time a motion was made by Mr. Chris Kershaw, seconded by Mr. Barry Huggins to go into Executive Session at 6:58pm.

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

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

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Mr. Loupe)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

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At this time a motion was made by Ms. Charlene Gordon, seconded by Mr. Phil Porto to return from Executive Session at 7:21pm.

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

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

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT : 1 (Mr. Loupe)

As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

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At this time a motion was made by Mr. Randal Mouch to not appeal the decision of the 18th Judicial District Court concerning the Bobby Arnold, etal vs The Parish of West Baton Rouge, etal case, said motion was seconded by Mr. Barry Huggins.

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

YEAS: 6 (Messrs. Kershaw, Porto, Huggins, Spillman, Ms. Gordon, Mr. Mouch)

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

ABSENT: 1 (Mr. Loupe)

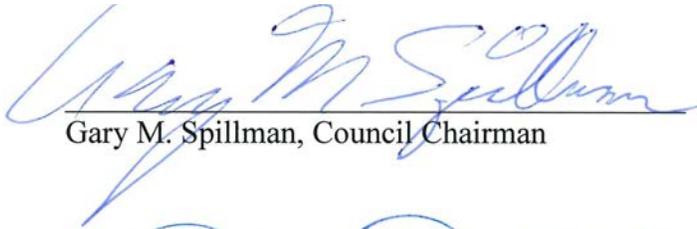
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As a result of the votes the motion was adopted.

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There being no further business , a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Charlene Gordon and adopted by acclamation at 7:23pm.

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Gary M. Spillman, Council Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michelle Z. Tullier".

Michelle Z. Tullier, Council Clerk

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