

**MINUTES OF THE
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH ZONING COMMISSION
Tuesday, January 21, 2020**

[These minutes are summarized for brevity. Refer to the video recording for detailed minutes.](#)

A regular meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Zoning Commission was held on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, in the Parish Council Meeting Room, 880 N. Alexander Avenue, Port Allen, LA. The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Tilton at 5:30 pm.

Roll as recorded:

Members present: John Tilton, Ray Rivet, Curtis Ducote, Sidney Blanchard, Todd Plauche, Alfreda Jackson, Joy Hobbins and Russell Vallet

Members absent: Joycelyn Green

Others present: Lynn Ewing, President Berthelot, Ken Blanchard, George Hill and Sandy Boudreaux.

Upon a Motion made by Alfreda Jackson, seconded by Curtis Ducote, to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2019, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence from the Council Clerk, Michelle Tullier was read.

Public Hearing:

3a) File # 2019-25 Rezone from AG to R-SF-3 (residential single family) at 5951 Rambin Rd, Brusly, LA 70719, Lot SB-1-C-1-B of the original Lot SB-1-C-1 of the original Lot 8 Songy Subdivision and the original remaining lot SB-1 Schley Babin Property located in Section 61, T8S, R12E, West Baton Rouge Parish, LA , for Frederick McKenzie.

Lynn Ewing, Commission Secretary, addressed the Commission stating that this plat was dropped at the office for approval when discovered that the whole tract is AG. Requesting Lot SB-1-C-1-B to be rezoned to R-SF-3 so that it can be removed from the larger tract. The Remaining 6+ acres will remain AG.

There was a short discussion among the Commissioners with questions from the audience with regards to the location and the purpose of rezoning.

Chairman Tilton closed the public hearing.

3a) Russell Vallet made a motion, seconded by Sidney Blanchard, to **Recommend Approval** to the Council of File # 2019-25 Rezone from AG to R-SF-3 (residential single family) at 5951 Rambin Rd, Brusly, LA 70719, Lot SB-1-C-1-B of the original Lot SB-1-C-1 of the original Lot 8 Songy Subdivision and the original remaining lot SB-1 Schley Babin Property located in Section 61, T8S, R12E, West Baton Rouge Parish, LA , for Frederick McKenzie.

The Vote was recorded as:

YEAS 8 (Curtis Ducote, Todd Plauche, John Tilton, Alfreda Jackson, Sidney Blanchard Ray Rivet, Joy Hobbins and Russell Vallet)

NAYS: 0 ()

ABSTAIN 0 ()

ABSENT: 1 (Joycelyn Green,)

As a result the motion was **recommended for Approval to the Council** by a **unanimous vote** of members present.

Public Hearing:

3b) File #2019-28 Rezone from AG to R-SF-3 (residential single family) at

11835 Landry Lane, Port Allen, LA 70767 , Lot 32 in the Subdivision of SW/4 of Section 18, T6S, R11E, located at 11835 Landry Lane and fronting on East Subdivision road for Aaron Adair.

There was no one to represent this request.

Lynn Ewing, Commission Secretary, addressed the Commission explaining that this Plat was delivered to the office for a simple division of property but could not be divided because the lot does not fit the zoning requirements for AG. Both lots will be less than 4 acres requiring both lots be zoned residential.

There was a short discussion among the Commissioners with no comment from the audience.

Chairman Tilton closed the public hearing.

3b) Russell Vallet made a motion, seconded by Joy Hobbins, to **Recommend Approval** to the Council of File #2019-28 Rezone from AG to R-SF-3 (residential single family) at 11835 Landry Lane, Port Allen, LA 70767 , Lot 32 in the Subdivision of SW/4 of Section 18, T6S, R11E, located at 11835 Landry Lane and fronting on East Subdivision road for Aaron Adair.

The Vote was recorded as:

YEAS 8 (Curtis Ducote, Todd Plauche, John Tilton, Alfreda Jackson, Sidney Blanchard Ray Rivet, Joy Hobbins and Russell Vallet)

NAYS: 0 ()

ABSTAIN 0 ()

ABSENT: 1 (Joycelyn Green,)

As a result the motion was **recommended for Approval to the Council** by a **unanimous vote** of members present.

Public hearing

3c) An ordinance to amend and reenact Chapter 111 (“Administration and Enforcement”), Article IV (“Zoning Enforcement”), Section 111-79 (“Nonconforming uses”) of the West Baton Rouge Parish Code of Ordinances to provide for limited Administrative approval of certain nonconforming expansions.

President Berthelot represented this ordinance explaining that this ordinance is meant to expedite small existing situations that the Administration and the Councilman for that district feel will be approved and is of no subsequent importance to anything or anyone else in that area.

There was a conversation between the Commission and President Berthelot with regards to: how vague this language is, does this include all zones, is this for structures or property or both, is there a limitation on acreage?

There was no comment from the audience.

Chairman Tilton closed the public hearing.

Todd Plauche made a motion, seconded by Curtis Ducote, to **Recommend Denial** of An ordinance to amend and reenact Chapter 111 (“Administration and Enforcement”), Article IV (“Zoning Enforcement”), Section 111-79 (“Nonconforming uses”) of the West Baton Rouge Parish Code of Ordinances to provide for limited Administrative approval of certain nonconforming expansions. **The reason for denial is that the code, as written, is too vague.**

The call for the vote is clarified that a vote Yes/Yea is a vote for Denial.

The Vote was recorded as:

YEAS 7 (Curtis Ducote, Todd Plauche, John Tilton, Alfreda Jackson, Joy Hobbins, Sidney Blanchard and Ray Rivet)

NAYS: 1 (Russell Vallet)

ABSTAIN 0 ()

ABSENT: 1 (Joycelyn Green)

As a result the motion was **recommended for Denial to the Council** by a **majority vote** of members present.

A unanimous motion was made by Alfreda Jackson to adjourn at 6:05pm.

John Tilton, Chairman

Joy Hobbins, Secretary

**MINUTES OF THE
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A regular meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, in the Parish Council Meeting Room, 880 N. Alexander Avenue, Port Allen, LA. The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Tilton at 6:05 pm.

Roll as recorded:

Members present: John Tilton, Ray Rivet, Curtis Ducote, Sidney Blanchard, Todd Plauche, Alfreda Jackson, Joy Hobbins and Russell Vallet.

Members absent: Joycelyn Green

Others present: Lynn Ewing, President Berthelot, Ken Blanchard, George Hill and Sandy Boudreaux.

Upon a Motion made by Curtis Ducote, seconded by Russell Vallet, to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2019 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing: none

Correspondence from the Council Clerk, Michelle Tullier was read.

There was no other business to come before the Commission.

A unanimous motion was made to adjourn 6:05

John Tilton, Chairman

Joy Hobbins, Secretary