

**IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING, TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022
PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, held a Public Hearing in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 15th day of March, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. pursuant to a Notice of Public Hearing published on the 24th day of February, 2022 in the Plaquemine Post South and posted on the Iberville Parish website.

The Council Chairman, Matthew H. Jewell, called the hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Shalanda L. Allen, District 1; Chasity B. Easley; District 2; Steve C. Smith District 5; Raheem T. Pierce, District 6; Ty J. Arnold, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Louis R. Kelley, Jr., District 10; Timothy J. Vallet, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Leonard Jackson, Sr., District 4; Terry J. Bradford, District 9.

Chief Administrative Officer- Edward Songy, and Legal Counsel- Scott Stassi were also in attendance.

Mr. Songy read the following ordinance in entirety.

ORDINANCE 1 Ordinance declare the following property to be surplus and to sell to neighboring property owner pursuant to the terms of Ordinance #002-13 (Eugene Jarvis, Jr.; Parcel 8111341491)

The floor was opened to comments and questions. There was no opposition to this ordinance from the public.

There being no further business to be conducted, the hearing was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

/s/ KIRSHA D. BARKER
COUNCIL CLERK

/s/ MATTHEW H. JEWELL
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

**IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022**

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session, in the Council Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Courthouse Building, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 15th day of March, 2022.

The Council Chairman, Matthew H. Jewell, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Shalanda L. Allen, District 1;

Chasity B. Easley; District 2; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Steve C. Smith District 5; Raheem T. Pierce, District 6; Ty J. Arnold, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Louis R. Kelley, Jr., District 10; Timothy J. Vallet, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: Leonard Jackson, Sr., District 4.

Chief Administrative Officer- Edward Songy, and Legal Counsel- Scott Stassi were also in attendance.

A quorum was present and due notice had been posted and published in the Plaquemine Post South newspaper on the 10th day of March, 2022. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Council Chairman Jewell called for anyone wanting to make public comments to register with the Clerk. No one registered to speak.

ADDENDUM

Upon a motion by Councilman Arnold, and seconded by Councilman Vallet, it was moved to add the addendum item to the agenda as New Business #3. The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Smith, Pierce, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Dominique, Jackson.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on March 15, 2022.

PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Councilman Smith, and seconded by Councilman Pierce, it was moved to wave the reading of the minutes of February 15, 2022 and approve as written. The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Smith, Pierce, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Dominique, Jackson.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

CAO, Edward Songy, Jr. reported on the following in the absence of President Ourso:

- Mr. Songy stated the Wreaths across America educational mobile exhibit will be at the Parish's Veterans Memorial site on April 3, 2022 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- The Parish wide litter pickup will be on Saturday, April 23, 2022 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Tullier Services will install three culvert pipes by the Bayou Manchac floodgates in District 13.
- The Seymourville Park improvements are ongoing in District 6.
- Mr. Tom David, representing Pan American Engineers spoke before the Council about the GOSEP and FEMA funds. Due to the storm events that impacted the Parish, the Parish will receive the first allocation of \$1,891,639. There will be a second allocation later on. EOP Director, Clint Moore is routinely called by the public seeking help with a buy out or an elevate. The Parish does not have a program. The Parish would like to have help with severe repetitive loss homes that need elevations. It is estimated at \$200,000 per house to buy them out or elevate the home. If it costs more then what is allotted then the home owner must come up with the difference. There will be an outreach program through FEMA and there is a list of those with repetitive losses (estimating 8 homes).

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director, Randall Dunn stated the bank has agreed to 2.45% on the refinance for the introduced bond ordinance tonight. He stated the Courthouse security equipment was delivered but they are still waiting on the metal to frame the door front. The project is about 75% complete. The Parish is waiting on a punch list for the IPRD maintenance facility. They are installing an 8 ft box culvert, and then remove the pipe under the field currently. If any of the Council members want to go out and look at the site he will take them out there. Also, financial statements were presented tonight.

Councilman Vallet asked about the Elks Club, and Mr. Dunn stated that building is gone now.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE IPC# 003-22

ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS AND TO SELL TO NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNER PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF ORDINANCE # 002-13 (EUGENE JARVIS, JR.; PARCEL 8111341491)

WHEREAS the Parish of Iberville has a tax interest in the property described below which has been adjudicated for non-payment of property taxes.

WHEREAS "Property 1" listed below, has been previously declared to be surplus by Iberville Parish Council Ordinance # 003-14.

WHEREAS the adjudicated property listed herein has been maintained for at least one year by an adjoining landowner. Section 14 of IPC Ordinance # 002-13 states: “Notwithstanding any provision of this Ordinance, Iberville Parish Council may, pursuant to the provisions of La. R.S. 47:2201(2)(B), as revised by Act 511 of 2009, allow adjoining landowners of an adjudicated property which constitutes an adjudicated vacant lot to purchase the adjudicated vacant lot for any price set by Iberville Parish Council without any public bidding at a public meeting of the Iberville Parish Council provided that Iberville Parish Council determines that the adjoining landowner has maintained the property for a period of one (1) year prior to the sale. Such sale shall be deemed a public sale under the provisions of this subpart.”

WHEREAS contingent upon the requirements of law being met, including but not limited to, proper notice to any interested parties, advertisement in the official journal of Iberville Parish and the production of the three sworn affidavits attesting to the adjoining landowner’s maintenance of the adjudicated lots, the Iberville Parish Council desires, and intends to sell the following properties:

1.) ***Lot 22 of Block “A” only of:***

Parcel # 8111341491

Tax debtor: Eugene Jarvis, Jr.

Location of property: South Street, White Castle

Adjoining landowner intending to acquire ownership: McDaigle Enterprises, LLC

Represented by Christopher Daigle (Owner of adjoining Lots: W/2 Lot 21 and Lots 7, 8, 9A, 18, 19 & 20)

Suggested price: \$ 2,500.00

BE IT ORDAINED that the property described above is not needed for public purposes and is declared to be surplus and should be returned to commerce.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the property described above shall be sold to the adjoining landowner listed in accordance with the terms of Ordinance # 002-13 and the Iberville Parish Adjudicated Property Program as administered by the Parish Administrator.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the adjoining landowner of the adjudicated property may purchase the adjoining property for the price suggested above unless another price is designated by the Iberville Parish Council.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED should any part of this ordinance be declared null, void, invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, the remainder of the said ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

This ordinance shall become effective on this the 15th day of March, 2022.

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on February 15, 2022 and a summary thereof having been published in the official journal on February 24, 2022, the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 15th day of March, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, was brought up for final passage with a motion by Councilman Vallet, and seconded by Councilman Bradford, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following ye and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Smith, Pierce, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Dominique, Jackson.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 15th day of March, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Introduction of Ordinances

- 1) Ordinance to amend the Iberville Parish Personnel Policy Handbook to provide for “Medicinal Marijuana” provided for by Licensed Physicians
- 2) Ordinance to adopt Backflow Prevention Control Policy for customers connected to Iberville Parish Utility Water Supply
- 3) Ordinance authorizing the issuance of [not to exceed Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000)] of Sales Tax Refunding Bonds of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana and providing for other matters in connection therewith

Upon a motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilman Pierce it was moved that a public hearing be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. on the introduced ordinances.

The motion having been duly submitted to a vote, was duly adopted by the following ye and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Smith, Pierce, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Dominique, Jackson.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on March 15, 2022.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Resolution Committee met on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:17 p.m., followed by the roll call with the following Resolution Committee Members only in attendance: Smith, Vallet, Pierce, Arnold, Kelley, Markins, Morgan.

Absent: Jackson, Dominique.

The following resolution was read aloud by Mr. Songy:

- A) Resolution approving the appointment of a Director and an Alternate Director to represent the Iberville Parish Natural Gas System, State of Louisiana, on the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Municipal Natural Gas Purchasing and Distribution Authority as provided by Chapter 10-B of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950

Councilman Vallet made a recommendation to forward the resolution to the regular meeting, seconded by Councilman Markins. The recommendation having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call by Resolution Committee Members only:

YEAS: Smith, Vallet, Pierce, Arnold, Kelley, Markins, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Jackson, Dominique.

The recommendation was declared adopted by the Chairman to forward this item to the regular meeting.

During the Regular Meeting:

RESOLUTION IPC# 2022-005

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF A DIRECTOR AND AN ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO REPRESENT THE IBERVILLE PARISH NATURAL GAS SYSTEM, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOUISIANA MUNICIPAL NATURAL GAS PURCHASING AND DISTRIBUTION AUTHORITY AS PROVIDED BY CHAPTER 10-B OF TITLE 33 OF THE LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES OF 1950

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Vallet, and seconded by Councilman Markins.

WHEREAS, the IBERVILLE PARISH NATURAL GAS SYSTEM, State of Louisiana, has previously become a member of the Authority in accordance with the Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4546.2 of the Act, the governing authority of the IBERVILLE PARISH NATURAL GAS SYSTEM, State of Louisiana, desires to approve the appointment of Brian Berthelot to serve as a Director of the Authority and to approve the appointment of Randall Dunn to serve as an alternate Director to act in the absence of the director herein above named;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing authority of the IBERVILLE PARISH NATURAL GAS SYSTEM, State of Louisiana, acting in such capacity:

Section 1. That, pursuant to the Act, the appointment of Brian Berthelot to serve as a Director of the Authority for a term of four (4) years from the date hereof is approved and that the appointment of Randall Dunn to serve as an alternate Director, for like term, to act in the absence of the director is approved.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

The above resolution was duly adopted in regular session this 15th day of March, 2022, by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Smith, Pierce, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Dominique, Jackson.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on 15th day of March, 2022.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORT

None.

DISCUSSIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Pierce, and seconded by Councilwoman Easley, to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. The motion was unanimously adopted.

/s/ KIRSHA D. BARKER
COUNCIL CLERK

/s/ MATTHEW H. JEWELL
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN