## IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2019 PROPOSED ORDINANCES

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 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. pursuant to a Notice of Public Hearing published on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019 in the Plaquemine Post South and the Iberville Parish website.

The Council Chairman, Matthew H. Jewell, called the hearing to order followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Warren Taylor, District 1; Mitchel J. Ourso, Sr.; District 2; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Leonard Jackson, Sr., District 4; Steve C. Smith District 5; Ty J. Arnold, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Timothy J. Vallet, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: Courtney P. Lewis, District 6; Louis R. Kelley, Jr., District 10.

A quorum was present and due notice had been published. Chief Administrative Officer- Edward Songy, and Legal Counsel- Scott Stassi were also in attendance.

Mr. Songy read the following ordinances in entirety.

#### **ORDINANCE 1**

Ordinance to adopt the fiscal year 2020 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget and the Amended 2019 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget for the Iberville Parish Council

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

Mr. Bill Blair came before the Council to speak on behalf of the proposed ordinance. The proposed changes do not change the council districts; the changes are technical changes to the boundary descriptions only. The proposed changes do not move any voters from where they physically vote. The proposed changes take effect on July 1, 2021.

#### ORDINANCE 2

Ordinance to create prospective precincts by the split and/or merger of precinct geography in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:532 and 18:532.1

The floor was opened to comments and questions. Councilman Arnold asked after the ordinance goes into effect on July 1, 2021, will I lose any voters in my district. Mr. Bill Blair stated that will be determined by the new Redistricting Plan that the Council will adopt after the new Census comes out. The Redistricting Plan will be adopted some time in 2023. Councilman Smith asked when the precincts are combined, do the polling places change. Mr. Blair stated no with the careful changes made in the ordinance the polling places were only merged with those that were consolidated at the same location. Chairman Jewell stated there were seven mergers.

#### **ORDINANCE 3**

Ordinance to authorize the purchase of a four (4) acre tract of land located adjacent to LA. Highway 75 and IPRD Belleview Park from Donald Jenkins & others for expansion of Belleview Park Facility

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

There being no further business to be conducted, the hearing was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

/s/ KIRSHA D. BARKER COUNCIL CLERK /s/ MATTHEW H. JEWELL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

## IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2019

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session, in the Council Meeting Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Courthouse Building, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

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: Warren Taylor, District 1; Mitchel J. Ourso, Sr.; District 2; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Leonard Jackson, Sr., District 4; Steve C. Smith District 5; 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: Courtney P. Lewis, District 6.

Parish President- J. Mitchell Ourso, Jr., 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Council Chairman Jewell called for anyone wanting to make public comments to register with the Clerk.

#### **ADDENDUM**

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

YEAS: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

- A) Plaque for Outgoing Library Board of Control Member, Mr. Eugene LeBlanc
- Chairman Jewell read aloud a plaque honoring Mr. Eugene LeBlanc for 18 years of dedicated service to the Library Board of Control. Ms. Wanda Jones and other library staff members accepted the plaque on behalf of Mr. LeBlanc.
- A picture was taken for the newspaper.

#### PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

Chairman Jewell read aloud a personal letter from himself thanking each of the outgoing Council members.

- A) Plaque for Outgoing Vice Chairman Warren Taylor of District 1
  - Chairman Jewell read aloud a plaque honoring Vice Chairman Warren Taylor for his 24 years of dedicated service to the Iberville Parish Council.
  - The plaque was presented to Vice Chairman Taylor and family, and a picture was taken for the newspaper.
  - Vice Chairman Taylor gave a heartfelt speech thanking everyone.
- B) Plaque for Outgoing Councilman Mitchel Ourso of District 2
  - Chairman Jewell read aloud a plaque honoring Councilman Mitchel Ourso for his 13 years of dedicated service to the Iberville Parish Council.
  - The plaque was presented to Councilman Ourso and family, and a picture was taken for the newspaper.
- C) Plaque for Outgoing Councilwoman Courtney P. Lewis of District 6
  - Chairman Jewell read aloud a plaque honoring Councilwoman Courtney Lewis for her 4 years of dedicated service. Councilwoman Lewis was not present at this time.
  - Pictures were taken after the meeting of Councilwoman Lewis accepting her plaque.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Councilman Taylor, and seconded by Councilman Arnold, it was moved to wave the reading of the minutes of November 19, 2019 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: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis. The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Ourso reported on the following:

- President Ourso stated the Parish entered into a lawsuit with West Baton Rouge Parish, for taxes due to Iberville for the end use of the pipeline which is in the ground in Iberville Parish. The Court ruled in Iberville's favor that West Baton Rouge has to pay back the \$234,000.
- LA Hwy 77 (Rosedale), just north of Hurdle Road, will be closed for one day on Wednesday, December 18, 2019. The closure will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. The closure is needed to replace culverts. No traffic will be allowed through this area during the road closure. Traffic will be able to travel Hwy 411 to Slacks Bridge, then to LA Hwy 77 or travel to LA Hwy 76.
- President Ourso gave a heartfelt speech to outgoing members Warren Taylor and Mitchel Ourso. He spoke about transitioning from the Police Jury to the Parish Council. The Parish's total net worth was \$44 million in 1997, in the last 22 years we are now worth \$222 million. He owes both of them gratitude for achieving this. He said they know his phone number and all they have to do is call. He thanked them from the bottom of his heart, and he wished them good luck in the future.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Finance Director, Randall Dunn stated the budget ordinance is on the agenda for adoption tonight. There were no questions.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **ORDINANCE IPC# 017-19**

#### PROPOSED 2020 BUDGET AND AMENDED 2019 BUDGET ORDINANCE

## ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET AND THE AMENDED 2019 OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FOR THE IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Iberville Parish Home Rule Charter Sections 5-03 and 5-05 provide that the Iberville Parish Council shall adopt annually an operating budget and a capital improvement budget for the fiscal year of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 amended and 2020 Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets have been presented to the Iberville Parish Council and the General Public, and a public hearing will be held on the budgets and all proposed modifications, if any, on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019, at 6:00 P.M.

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Department of Finance has submitted for appropriation requests to the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, all requests for capital outlay funding for Parish projects, the Governor's Office of Rural Development, Department of Transportation & Development, Department of Labor, Department of Military Affairs, and Department of Health & Hospitals, and while it is not presently known if the requests will be approved and funded, the State funds shall be included in the 2020 budgets to the extent such funds are received by the Iberville Parish Council.

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 amended budget and the 2020 Operating and Capital Improvement budgets having been duly submitted for public hearing on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Iberville Parish Council, as follows;

"That the 2020 Operating and Capital Improvement budgets for the Iberville Parish Council be approved and adopted as amended.

"That the 2019 Amended Budget be approved and adopted."

"That a copy of the budgets shall be on file with the Iberville Parish Council Clerk and open for public inspection in accordance with law."

"That this ordinance be published in accordance with the provision of the Iberville Parish Home Rule Charter, and that the approved budget shall become effective January 1, 2020, in accordance with law."

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on November 19, 2019 and a summary thereof having been published in the official journal on November 28, 2019, the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019, 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 Taylor, and seconded by Councilman Smith, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

#### **ORDINANCE IPC# 018-19**

# ORDINANCE TO CREATE PROSPECTIVE PRECINCTS BY THE SPLIT AND/OR MERGER OF PRECINCT GEOGRAPHY IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES 18:532 AND 18:532.1

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council has the authority under R.S. 18:532 to adopt prospective precinct mergers that are not subject to the requirement that the precincts or parts of the precincts shall be in the same state, local, and municipal office voting district, and:

WHEREAS, any prospective precinct mergers shall be submitted for review and approval to the Louisiana Secretary of State and the Louisiana Legislature by December 31 of 2019, and:

WHEREAS, any prospective precinct mergers shall be effective not later than <u>March 31 of 2020</u> for the purpose of establishing block boundaries for the federal decennial census, and for reapportionment and redistricting purposes following that federal decennial census, and:

WHEREAS, any prospective precinct mergers shall be effective not later than <u>July 1, 2021</u> for all purposes, and:

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council has the authority under R.S. 18:532.1 to change the configuration, boundaries or designation of its election precincts, and:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Iberville Parish Council, that the following precincts are created by merger and/or splitting of geography, as described in <u>Section 1</u>, and these precinct's polling place locations are also listed in <u>Section 1</u>, and these precincts are represented geographically by maps in <u>Section 2</u>,:

#### SECTION 1: PROSPECTIVE PRECINCT DESCRIPTIONS AND POLLING PLACES

#### 1. New Precinct 1

Polling Place: WHITE CASTLE HIGH COMMUNITY CENTER

Begin at the intersection of the extension of Bowie St. and the centerline of the Mississippi, then proceed easterly on the Mississippi River to the Parish boundary, thence southerly on the Parish boundary to the Union Pacific Railroad, thence northwest on the Union Pacific Railroad to an unnamed road .242 miles east of Francise St., thence south on the unnamed road to a powerline south of Tassin Dr., thence northwest on the powerline to Bowie St., thence northerly on Bowie St to the point of beginning.

(New Precinct 1 is the geographic merger of Precinct 1 and Precinct 2)

#### 2. New Precinct 4

**Polling Place: WHITE CASTLE FIRE STATION #3** 

Begin at the intersection of centerline of the Union Pacific Railroad and the centerline of an unnamed road .242 miles from Francise St, then proceed southeasterly along the Union Pacific Railroad to the eastern parish boundary; thence southerly and westerly along the parish boundary to the centerline of Lake Natchez Pass, thence northwesterly along Lake Natchez to the centerline of Choctaw Bayou; thence northerly along Choctaw Bayou to the centerline of LA Hwy. 404; thence easterly along LA Hwy. 404 to the centerline of Ridge Road, thence north on Ridge Rd. to Ourso Rd, thence west on Ourso Rd. to Catherine Rd., thence northeast on Catherine Rd. to Kinsdale Rd., thence northwest on Kinsdale Rd. to Aloysia Rd., thence northeast on Aloysia Rd. to a powerline .425 miles southwest of State Route 1, thence southeast on the powerline to Cedar Grove Rd., thence north on Cedar Grove Rd to an unnamed road .354 miles from State Route 1, thence east on the unnamed road to Richland Rd., thence north on Richland Rd to the Union Pacific Railroad, thence east on the railroad to an unnamed canal 385 feet east of Richland Rd., thence south on the canal to the centerline of the unnamed road north of LA Hwy. 404; thence easterly along the unnamed road to the centerline of a canal south of the southernmost corporate boundary of White Castle; thence northerly on the canal to the centerline of Bowie St.; thence northerly along Bowie St. to the centerline of a power line south of Tassin Dr.; thence southeasterly along the power line to the centerline of an unnamed road .424 miles east of Francise St.; thence northerly on the unnamed road to the point of beginning.

(New Precinct 4 is the geographic merger of Precinct 6A and Precinct 4)

#### 3. New Precinct 13

**Polling Place: EJ GAY SCHOOL** 

Begin at the intersection of the centerline of LA Hwy. 405 (River Road) and the centerline of Evergreen Rd.; thence southwesterly along Evergreen Rd. to the centerline of LA Hwy. 1; thence northwesterly along LA Hwy. 1 to the centerline of Grove Rd., thence northeast on Grove Rd. to Magnolia Ln., thence southeast on Magnolia Ln., to Erwin Dr., thence north on Erwin Dr. to LA Hwy 405 (River Road), thence southeast on LA Hwy 405 to the point of beginning.

(New Precinct 13 is the geographic merger of Precinct 13 and Precinct 13A)

#### 4. New Precinct 19

Polling Place: COUNCIL ON AGING PLAQUEMINE

Beginning at the intersection of W.W. Harleaux Rd. and Oak St., then north on Oak St. and its extension to the centerline of Bayou Plaquemine, thence northeasterly on Bayou Plaquemine to an extension of Main St., thence east on the extension of Main St. and Main St. to Federal St., thence south on Federal St., to Meriam St., then west on Meriam St. to Ferdinand St., thence south on Ferdinand St. to W.W. Harleaux, then southwest on W.W. Harleaux to Marshall St.,

then south on Marshall St. to LaBauve St., then northeast on LaBauve St. to Ferdinand St., then south on Ferdinand St. to Fort St., then southwest on Fort St. to Marshall St., then north on Marshall St. to Iron Farm Rd., then southwest on Iron Farm Rd. to Levy St., then north on Levy St. to W.W. Harleaux Rd., then southwest on W.W. Harleaux Rd. to the point of beginning.

(New Precinct 19 is the geographic merger of Precinct 19 and Precinct 19A)

#### 5. New Precinct 24

**Polling Place: CRESCENT SCHOOL** 

Begin at the intersection of the centerline of LA Hwy. 75 (Belleview Rd.) and the centerline of Wilbert Canal, then proceed northeasterly along LA Hwy. 75 to the centerline of Stassi Rd.; thence northwesterly along Stassi Rd. continuing onto its extension to the centerline of Bayou Plaquemine; thence proceed northeasterly along Bayou Plaquemine of a power line east of Teche St.; thence south along the power line to the centerline of a canal .220 miles north of LA Hwy. 75; thence northeast on the canal to Enterprise Rd., then south on Enterprise Rd. to LA Hwy 75 (Belleview Dr.), thence southwest on Belleview Dr. to a powerline .310 miles west of Tenant Rd., thence south on the powerline to Derrick Rd., thence westerly and southerly on Derrick Rd., to the centerline of a power line east of Milly Plantation Rd.; thence southeasterly along the power line to the centerline of an unnamed canal; thence southwesterly and southerly along the canal to the centerline of Wilbert Canal; thence northerly to the point of beginning.

(New Precinct 24 is the geographic merger of Precinct 24 and Precinct 15A, with improvements to several boundaries due to geographic changes in this area))

#### 6. New Precinct 26

**Polling Place: CRESCENT SCHOOL** 

Begin at the intersection of the centerline of the Intracoastal Canal and the centerline of Bayou Richard, then proceed northerly and northeasterly along Bayou Richard to the centerline of the Intracoastal Canal; thence southerly along the Intracoastal Canal to the centerline of Bayou Plaquemine; thence southeasterly along Bayou Plaquemine to the extension of Stassi Rd. and Stassi Rd., then proceed southeasterly along Stassi Rd. to the centerline of LA Hwy. 75 (Belleview Rd.); thence southwesterly along LA Hwy. 75 to the Intracoastal Canal, thence northwesterly on the canal to the point of beginning.

(New Precinct 26 is the geographic merger of Precinct 26 and Precinct 26A)

#### 7. New Precinct 28

**Polling Place: ROSEDALE TOWN HALL** 

Begin at the intersection of the centerline of U.S. Interstate I-10 and western corporate boundary of the Town of Grosse Tete (Precinct 27), thence proceed westerly along U.S. Interstate I-10 to the centerline of Trinity Canal; thence southerly along Trinity Canal to the centerline of Kings Ditch; thence southwesterly along Kings Ditch to the centerline of the East Atchafalaya Levee; thence northerly along the Levee to the Ramah Canal, then east on the canal to Bayou Maringouin; thence northerly along Bayou Maringouin to the centerline of West Oak Lane; thence northeasterly along West Oak Lane to Bayou Grosse Tete; thence southeasterly along Bayou Grosse Tete to a canal north of Shady Grove High School, then northeast on the canal to the parish line, thence southeast on the parish line to a unnamed road .40 miles southeast of Corey Rd., thence southwest on the road to the corporate boundary of the Town of Grosse Tete (Precinct 27), thence along the corporate boundary the point of beginning.

(New Precinct 28 is the geographic merger of Precinct 28 and Precinct 30 and the removal of Precinct 30 as a single precinct town)

**New Precinct 9:** 

**Polling Place: ST GABRIEL COMMUNITY CENTER** 

Beginning at the intersection of the Iberville/East Baton Rouge Parish boundary (Bayou Manchac) and Bayou Paul Road; then westerly on Bayou Paul Road to its intersection with Bayou Paul Lane; then south on Bayou Paul Lane to its intersection with Bayou Paul; then westerly on Bayou Paul to its intersection with Gummars Lane; then south on Gummars Lane and its extension to the Mississippi River, thence northwest, north and northeast on the Mississippi River to its intersection with the Iberville/East Baton Rouge Parish boundary, then east on that boundary to Bayou Paul Road, the point of beginning.

(Improvements to several boundaries due to geographic changes in this area)

**New Precinct 10:** 

Polling Place: ST GABRIEL COMMUNITY CENTER

Beginning at the intersection of the Iberville/East Baton Rouge Parish boundary (Bayou Manchac) and Bayou Paul Road; then westerly on Bayou Paul Road to its intersection with Bayou Paul Lane; then south on Bayou Paul Lane to its intersection with Bayou Paul, then westerly on Bayou Paul to its intersection with Gummars Lane; then south on Gummars Lane and its extension to the Mississippi River, thence southerly on the river to an unnamed canal north of East Iberville High School, thence east on the canal to LA Hwy 30 (Nicholson Ext), thence north on LA Hwy 30 to an unnamed canal, thence northeasterly on the canal to an unnamed canal, thence south on the canal to State Route 74; then west along State Route 74 to its

intersection with Legion Road, then north and west on Legion Road to its intersection with State Route 30, then south on State Route 30 to its intersection with State Route 74; then west on State Route 74 to its intersection with Railroad St., then northwest on Railroad Street to its intersection with Monticello Street, then west on Monticello Street to its intersection with State Route 75, then south on State Route 75 to its intersection with a parish drainage canal, then easterly along the drainage canal to its intersection with Bayou Braud, then northeasterly on the bayou to its intersection with State Route 74, then east on State Route 74 to the Iberville/Ascension Parish boundary, then northerly on the parish boundary to the Iberville/East Baton Rouge Parish boundary; then west on the parish boundary to Bayou Paul Road, the point of beginning.

(Improvements to several boundaries due to geographic changes in this area)

**New Precinct 11:** 

Polling Place: RECREATION BUILDING CARVILLE

Beginning at the intersection of Monticello Dr., and State Route 75, thence east on Monicello Dr, becoming Railroad Ave. to La Hwy 74, thence east on La Hwy 74 to LA Hwy 30 (Nicholson Ext), thence north on LA Hwy 30 to Legion Rd., thence east on Legion Rd. to LA Hwy 74, thence east on LA Hwy 74 to a canal north of Delta Dr., thence north on the canal for 1.5 miles to an unnamed canal, thence southwest and south on the canal to Hwy 30, thence south on Hwy 30 to an unnamed canal north of East Iberville High School, thence southwest on the canal to the centerline of the Mississippi River, thence southerly and easterly on the Mississippi River to a the ferry landing; thence northerly and westerly along the ferry ramp to the National Leprasorium; thence northwesterly, southwesterly, and southeasterly around the hospital grounds back to LA Hwy. 141; thence northeasterly along LA Hwy. 141 to a ramp over levee; thence southerly on the ramp to the Mississippi River, thence east on the Mississippi River to the Parish boundary, thence north on the parish boundary to LA Hwy 74, thence west on LA Hwy 74 to Bayou Braud, thence west on the bayou to a parish drainage canal; thence west on the canal to LA Hwy 75, thence north on LA Hwy 75 to the point of beginning.

(Improvements to several boundaries due to geographic changes in this area)

#### 8. New Precinct 16:

Polling Place: IBERVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Begin at the intersection of the centerline of LA Hwy. 3066 and the centerline of a power line east of Teche St.; then proceed northeasterly along LA Hwy.3066 to the centerline of W.W.Harleaux St.; thence easterly along W.W.Harleaux St. to the centerline of Levy St.; thence southeasterly along Levy St. to the centerline of Iron Farm Rd.; thence westerly along Iron Farm Rd. to Fieniken Ln, thence north on Fieniken Ln. to a powerline 430 feet south of MLK Blvd.,

then southwest on the powerline to Enterprise Rd., then south on Enterprise Rd. to a canal .220 miles from Belleview Dr., thence southwest on the canal to the powerline east of Teche St., thence north on the powerline to the point of beginning.

(Improvements to several boundaries due to geographic changes in this area)

**New Precinct 17:** 

**Polling Place: PLAQUEMINE LIBRARY** 

Beginning at the intersection of LA Hwy 75 and Sebastian St., then northeast on LA Hwy 75 to its intersection with an canal 742 feet from Sebastian St., thence southeast on the canal to the Tircuit canal, then southwest on the canal to its intersection with J. Gerald Barret Blvd, then north on J. Gerald Barret Blvd to its intersection with LA Hwy 75, then west on LA Hwy 75 to Enterprise Rd., thence northeast on Enterprise Rd. to a powerline 721 feet from WW Harleaux Blvd., thence northeast on the powerline to Fieniken Ln,, thence south on Fieniken Ln becoming Charles Dr. to its intersection with Price St., then east on Price St. to its intersection with Sebastian St., then south to the point of beginning.

(Improvements to several boundaries due to geographic changes in this area)

**New Precinct 18:** 

**Polling Place: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** 

Begin at the intersection of the centerline of Charles Dr. and to the centerline of Iron Farm Rd., then proceed northeasterly along Iron Farm Rd. to the centerline of Marshall St.; thence southerly along Marshall St. to the centerline of Fort St.; thence east along Fort Dr. to the centerline of Calvin St.; thence southeasterly along Calvin St. to the centerline of Canal St.; thence easterly along Canal St. to the centerline of Hebert St.; thence southerly along Hebert St. to the centerline of Tircuit Canal; thence southwesterly along Tircuit Canal to a canal 743 feet from Sebastian St., thence northwest on the canal to Belleview Rd. (La Hwy.75); thence westerly along Belleview Rd. to the centerline of Sebastian St.; thence northerly along Sebastian St.; thence northerly along Sebastian St. to the centerline of Price St.; thence westerly and northerly along Price St. to the centerline of Charles Dr.; thence northwesterly to the point of the beginning.

(Improvements to several boundaries due to geographic changes in this area)

**New Precinct 27:** 

Polling Place: BAYOU BLUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

Beginning at the intersection of an unnamed road .40 miles southeast of Corey Rd., and the parish boundary, then proceed southeasterly along the parish boundary to the centerline of the Intracoastal Canal; thence southerly along the Intracoastal Canal to the centerline of Bayou Richard; thence southerly and southeasterly along Richard to the centerline of the Intracoastal Canal; thence southerly along the Intracoastal Canal to the centerline of Upper Grand River; thence westerly along the Upper Grand River to the centerline of the East Atchafalaya Levee; thence northerly along the East Atchafalaya Levee to the centerline of King's Ditch; thence northeasterly along King's Ditch to the centerline of Trinity Canal; thence northwesterly along Trinity Canal to the centerline of U.S. Interstate I-10; thence easterly along U.S Interstate I-10 to the western corporate boundary of the Town of Grosse Tete; thence southeasterly and northwesterly along the boundary of the Town of Grosse to the unnamed road .40 miles southeast on Corey Rd, thence northeast to the point of beginning.

(Changes due to merger of Precinct 28 and Precinct 30)

**New Precinct 31:** 

**Polling Place: COUNCIL ON AGING MARINGOUIN** 

Begin at the intersection of the western parish boundary and the northern parish boundary; then proceed easterly along the northern parish to the northwestern corporate limits of the Village of Maringouin; thence along the corporate boundary to the parish boundary; thence easterly and southeasterly along the parish boundary to a canal north of Shady Grove High School, thence southwesterly on the canal to Bayou Grosse Tete; thence northwesterly along Bayou Grosse Tete to the centerline of West Oak Lane; thence southwesterly and westerly along West Oak Lane to the centerline of Bayou Maringouin; thence southwesterly along the meanders of Bayou Maringouin to the Ramah Canal, thence westerly on the canal to the East Atchafalaya Levee, thence southerly along the meanders of the East Atchafalaya Levee to the centerline of Bayou Maringouin; thence southeasterly along Bayou Maringouin to the centerline of the Upper Grand River; thence westerly along the Upper Grand River to the western parish boundary; thence westerly and northerly along the parish boundary to the point of beginning.

#### (Changes due to merger of Precinct 28 and Precinct 30)

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on November 19, 2019 and a summary thereof having been published in the official journal on November 28, 2019, the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019, 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 Taylor, and seconded by Councilman Smith, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

#### **ORDINANCE IPC# 019-19**

# ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A FOUR (4) ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED ADJACENT TO LA. HIGHWAY 75 AND IPRD BELLEVIEW PARK FROM DONALD JENKINS & OTHERS FOR EXPANSION OF BELLEVIEW PARK FACILITY

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Parks & Recreation District and Iberville Parish Council have approved and implemented a parish wide recreation and parks program in accordance with priorities developed in conjunction with local officials, municipalities, and citizens of Iberville Parish.

WHEREAS, the Belleview Recreation & Park facility located adjacent to the Iberville Parish Civic Center is in need of additional property to expand in order to provide for the increased growth in the recreational programs offered by IPRD.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:4569.3(1) provides that title to all property to be acquired by or on behalf of IPRD shall be acquired in the name of the Iberville Parish Governing Authority (Iberville Parish Council) and shall be held for the District.

WHEREAS, a tract of land approximately 4.19 acres in size adjacent to the Belleview Park facility is available for purchase from the owners, Donald Jenkins, Sharon D. Jenkins and Theresa D. Jenkins, et al, Parcel ID 0200377750, who have agreed to sell the land to the Iberville Parish Council. The parcel of land is identified as follows:

"The West one-half (1/2) of a certain tract of land, lying, being and situated in the Parish of Iberville, Louisiana, containing 4.19 acres and being Tract No. 30 of Belleview Farms, being a subdivision of the Pecan Plantation as laid out into tract by A.G. Mundinger, Surveyor, in 1928 and on file in the Clerk & Recorders Office of the Parish of Iberville, annexed to Act of Cash Sale from Edward Songy to Peter Vitale; bounded front or north by Pecan Blvd., South or rear by E.J. Gay Pltg. Co., east or towards the Mississippi River by the

 $E^{1/2}$  of said tract No. 30, and West by Tract No. 32. Said tract is unimproved as is sold together

with all ways, rights, privileges and servitudes thereunto appertaining.

WHEREAS, an appraisal of the Jenkins parcel was prepared on September 16, 2019, by Mike Delaune, Certified Louisiana appraiser, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference. According to the certified appraisal, the fair market value of said tract of land is the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$178,000.00).

WHEREAS, the owners have agreed to sell the tract of land to the Iberville Parish Council for the sum of \$ 178,000.00.

WHEREAS, this ordinance was submitted for public hearing on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS: "That J. Mitchell Ourso, Jr., Parish President, be and is hereby authorized to execute an Act of Sale for the property described herein for the sum of \$178,000.00, in accordance with Louisiana law."

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on November 19, 2019 and a summary thereof having been published in the official journal on November 28, 2019, the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019, 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 Taylor, and seconded by Councilman Smith, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

#### RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Resolution Committee met on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 6:18 p.m., followed by the roll call with the following Resolution Committee Members only in attendance: Smith, Vallet, Arnold, Kelley, Markins, Jackson, Morgan, Dominique.

Absent: Lewis.

The following resolutions were read aloud by Mr. Songy:

- A) Resolution for Agreement between Iberville Parish Council and St. Gabriel Police

  Department for transfer and use of ATV Vehicle
- B) Resolution to relocate Voting Precinct No. 31 from building located at 77375 Wheelock Lane in Maringouin, Louisiana to the parish building located at 77315 Wheelock Lane in Maringouin, Louisiana
- C) Resolution authorizing the Parish President to submit an application for the State of Louisiana Division of Administration Community Development Local Government Assistance Program
- D) Resolution to authorize Parish President to submit an application under the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF)

There were no questions from the Council or the public.

Councilman Vallet made a recommendation to forward the resolutions 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, Arnold, Kelley, Markins, Jackson, Morgan, Dominique.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The recommendation was declared adopted by the Chairman to forward these resolutions to the regular meeting.

**During the Regular Meeting:** 

#### **RESOLUTION IPC# 2019-021**

### RESOLUTION BETWEEN IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL AND ST. GABRIEL POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSFER AND USE OF ATV VEHICLE

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Arnold and seconded by Councilman Markins.

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 33:1323 provides for local service agreements for greater economy and efficiency in the operation of local services and that the benefits of such services may be extended.

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 33:1324 provided that any parish and municipality may make agreements between or among them to engage jointly in the improvement of any public service including, police, fire and health protection.

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council has an ATV assigned to the Department of Public Works Drainage division.

WHEREAS, the St. Gabriel Police Department has had to respond to various emergency situations in recent months at the Alligator Bayou and Spanish Lake areas for distress and accident calls involving fishermen, hunters and other outdoorsmen. The St. Gabriel Police Department has encountered difficulty is accessing the terrain and an ATV would enhance response efficiency in reaching the incident(s) site.

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council and St. Gabriel Police Department through an intergovernmental agreement will provide for the transfer and use of a Parish ATV to the St. Gabriel Police Department for emergency response events within the eastern portion of Iberville Parish.

WHEREAS, the St. Gabriel Police Department through the City of St. Gabriel shall agree to provide for the care and maintenance of the ATV and provide all necessary insurance coverage(s) for said ATV and hold the Iberville Parish Council harmless from any and all damages or injuries that may result from the use of the ATV by the St. Gabriel Police Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Iberville Parish Council as follows:

That J. Mitchell Ourso, Jr., Parish President, be and is hereby authorized to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for transfer of an ATV for use by the St. Gabriel Police Department in accordance with Louisiana law.

The above resolution was approved by the following vote on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

#### **RESOLUTION IPC# 2019-022**

RESOLUTION TO RELOCATE VOTING PRECINCT NO. 31 FROM BUILDING LOCATED AT 77375 WHEELOCK LANE IN MARINGOUIN, LOUISIANA TO THE PARISH BUILDING LOCATED AT 77315 WHEELOCK LANE IN MARINGOUIN, LOUISIANA

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Arnold and seconded by Councilman Markins.

Whereas voting precinct number 31 is currently located in Maringouin, Louisiana at 77335 Wheelock Lane in a public building, namely the Iberville Parish Council on Aging facility. Whereas the Iberville Parish Council has constructed a new Council on Aging facility in Maringouin located at 77315 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana. The new Council on Aging facility located at 77315 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, LA 70757 will provide all necessities and handicapped accessibility to the commissioners and voters. This new Council on Aging location at 77315 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, LA 70757 is owned by the Iberville Parish Council.

Whereas, the new Council on Aging facility located at 77315 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, LA 70757 is a state of the art facility and will better provide for the needs and convenience of commissioners and voters and is completely handicapped accessible. The old Council on Aging facility located at 77375 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, LA 70757 will be demolished once the new facility is operational in January of 2020.

Whereas, the new Council on Aging facility located at 77315 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana is very near the current precinct no. 31 location and the voters will not be inconvenienced by the relocation of polling precinct from 77375 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana to 77315 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana.

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the Parish to relocate polling precinct number 31to the new Council on Aging facility located at 77315 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana 70757 as this facility will provide more convenience to the voters and commissioners and adaquate parking facilities.

Whereas, La. R.S. 18:534 provides that once a polling place is established, it may only be changed by a vote of the parish governing authority, and notice of change of location shall be published by the parish governing authority in the official journal of the parish.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Iberville Parish Council as follows:

"That the location of polling precinct number 31, presently located at the 77375 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana 70757 be relocated to the new Council on Aging facility located at 77315Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana 70757.

That the relocation of Voting Precinct number 31 from 77375 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana 70757 to the new Council on Aging facility at 77315 Wheelock Lane, Maringouin, Louisiana 70757 be effective with the 2020 election cycle.

That the Iberville Parish Council Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the U.S. Department of Justice requesting that Council on Aging facility at 77315 Wheelock Lane,

Maringouin 70757 be made the permanent location for polling precinct number 31 in Iberville Parish, Louisiana.

That the Iberville Parish Council Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the Iberville Parish Clerk of Court, Iberville Parish Registrar of Voters, the Louisiana Secretary of State and Commissioner of Elections.

That the Iberville Parish Council Clerk cause to be published in the official journal, POST-SOUTH, notification of change of polling precinct number 31 in accordance with law, and further that appropriate signs be placed at the old precinct number 31 location directing any voter to the new location of the polling precinct for the first election after approval of the relocation.

The above resolution was duly adopted in regular session this  $17^{th}$  day of December, 2019 by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

#### **RESOLUTION IPC# 2019-023**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE STATE OF LOUISIANA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Arnold and seconded by Councilman Markins.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Iberville has been informed that the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Community Development will be accepting applications for FY 2019/2020 Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President is hereby authorized to submit an LGAP Application for the purchase of an animal control vehicle for the Parish's Animal Control Department and to execute all assurances and certifications required for the application; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President is hereby authorized to work with Pan American Engineers, LLC on the development of the LGAP Application.

The above resolution was approved by the following vote on roll call:

YEAS: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

#### **RESOLUTION IPC# 2019-024**

## RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PARISH PRESIDENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION UNDER THE COMMUNITY WATER ENRICHMENT FUND (CWEF)

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Arnold and seconded by Councilman Markins.

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council has been informed by the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, that under the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF), which was authorized in the 2008 Regular Legislative Session under House Bill 926 (Act 513), provided funds for local governments to utilize for rehabilitation, improvement, and construction projects for community water systems to provide safe and clean drinking water; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President is hereby authorized to submit an Application to sandblast and paint the Intracoastal Water System water filters at the water well site under the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) and he is hereby authorized to execute all assurances and certifications required for submission of the application; and,

The above resolution was duly adopted in regular session this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019 by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Taylor, Ourso, Dominique, Jackson, Smith, Arnold, Markins, Bradford, Kelley, Vallet, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Lewis.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Markins, and seconded by Councilman Ourso, to adjourn at 6:56 p.m. The motion was unanimously adopted.

/s/ KIRSHA D. BARKER COUNCIL CLERK /s/ MATTHEW H. JEWELL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN