

**IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING, TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025
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 18th day of March, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. pursuant to a Notice of Public Hearing published on the 18th day of February, 2025 in The Advocate and posted on the Iberville Parish website.

The Council Chairman, Steve C. Smith, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Freddie Frazier, Sr., District 4; Steve C. Smith, District 5; Raheem T. Pierce, District 6; Nadia Jenkins, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Chasity Martinez, District 10; Charles Dardenne, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12.

Absent: Allen, Easley, Morgan.

Chief Administrative Officer- Dwayne Boudreaux, Finance Director Randall Dunn, and Legal Counsel- Scott Stassi were also in attendance.

Mr. Dunn read the following ordinance in entirety.

ORDINANCE 1 **ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
BUDGET TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE US
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PIPELINE AND
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION (PHMSA)**

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 6:03 p.m.

/s/ MACY W. OURSO
COUNCIL CLERK

/s/ STEVE C. SMITH
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

**IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025**

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 18th day of March, 2025.

The Council Chairman, Steve C. Smith, 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; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Freddie Frazier, Sr., District 4; Steve C. Smith District 5; Raheem T. Pierce, District 6; Nadia Jenkins, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Chasity Martinez, District 10; Charles Dardenne, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12.

Absent: Easley, Morgan.

Chief Administrative Officer- Dwayne Boudreaux, and Legal Counsel- Scott Stassi were also in attendance.

A quorum was present and due notice had been posted and published in The Advocate newspaper on the 13th day of March, 2025. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

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

ADDENDUM

None.

PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

A) Proclamation declaring April 2025 as Autism Awareness Month in Iberville Parish

- The proclamation was read by Parish President Daigle.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Jenkins, and seconded by Councilman Bradford, it was moved to wave the reading of the minutes of February 18, 2025 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, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Morgan.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Daigle reported on the following:

- He stated that he wanted to recognize employees for their years of service; 5 years, Cindy Weber, Josh Johnson, and Lane Neely; 10 years, Stacey Adler and Tricia Mullins; 15 years, Wayne Wunstell.
- Keep Iberville Beautiful day Parish wide clean-up day is April 12. More details will be coming out in the coming weeks. On May 5th will be 'Iberville Day' at the Capital Park Museum.
- He stated that there will be improvements coming to the 911 facility. The Hwy 1 north project did come in over budget and hoping to have the contract awarded soon. The clean-up project along LA Hwy1 railroad cleanup should start in the next few weeks.
- NextEra has turned in their draft permit to the Parish engineers and he is scheduling a community meeting for end of April or beginning of March.
- He stated that on March 26 is the Geaux Jobs event at the Civic Center, on March 28 the Gray Monkey Parade will be hosted at the Belleview Park, on April 5 is the Swamp Life Expo, and April 12 is the 'Keep Iberville Beautiful' Day Clean-up Day.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director, Randall Dunn stated that the council did received their budget to actual financial statements and asked if they had any questions. Sales Tax are down this month and are the lowest they have been in a long time. Councilwoman Allen asked about raises that were given and which grade some people were moved to and stated that she will be making a formal request for certain information.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE IPC# 004-25

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION (PHMSA)

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council has identified the need to replace of approximately 5.64 miles of existing steel mains with 4- inch polyethylene (PE) coiled pipe, 88 steel service lines with 1-inch PE coiled pipe, and 88 aging residential meters.

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council applied for funding through the US Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration in June of 2024 under the 2024 grant funding Cycle; and

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council was awarded the sum of \$2,546,363 from the US Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration for the completion of the above project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Iberville Parish Council that the 2025 Capital Improvement Fund is hereby amended as follows:

1. An additional amount of two-million-five-hundred-forty-six-thousand three-hundred-sixty-three Dollars (\$2,546,363) is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement Fund for revenue in the following account Capital Improvement Fund 341, Intergovernmental Grant Capital Outlay Public Works 1303, Natural Gas Cost Center Account 5900, Federal Grants General Ledger Code 431000
2. An additional amount of two-million-five-hundred-forty-six-thousand three-hundred-sixty-three Dollars (\$2,546,363) is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement Fund for expenditure in the following account Capital Improvement Fund 341, Capital Outlay Public Works 5853, Natural Gas Cost Center Account 5900, Gas Infrastructure Regulatory General Ledger Code 563000

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on February 18, 2025 and a copy thereof having been published in the official journal on February 24, 2025 the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 18th day of March, 2025, 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 Jewell, and seconded by Councilman Markins, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Morgan.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 18th day of March, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Introduction of Ordinances

1. Ordinance to amend Appendix B (Unified Development Code) of the compiled code of ordinances for the Parish of Iberville, for purposes of routing all planning commission recommendations to the parish council for final approval

Upon a motion by Councilman Dardenne, seconded by Councilwoman Martinez it was moved that a public hearing be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. on the introduced ordinance.

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

YEAS: Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne.

NAYS: Allen.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Morgan.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on March 18, 2024.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Resolution Committee met on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 6:05 p.m., followed by the roll call with the following Resolution Committee Members only in attendance: Jewell, Dardenne, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Martinez, Frazier, Dominique.

Absent: Morgan.

The following resolution was read aloud by Mr. Dunn:

A) Resolution to declare certain used movable property as surplus property and to be sold at public auction/sale in accordance with Louisiana law

B) Resolution adopting the Citizen Participation Plan for CDBG

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

YEAS: Jewell, Dardenne, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Martinez, Frazier, Dominique.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Morgan.

During the Regular Meeting:

RESOLUTION IPC # 2025-012

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CERTAIN USED MOVABLE PROPERTY AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION/SALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOUISIANA LAW

WHEREAS, the Parish of Iberville, through its Parish Council, has been requested to declare certain used movable property which is no longer required as surplus property.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 49:125 provides that a political subdivision is authorized to sell surplus movable property at public auction/sale, and is authorized to employ a qualified licensed auctioneer to handle the said sale or to receive sealed bids for the sale of the surplus property.

WHEREFORE, the office equipment and furnishings, equipment and vehicles described on the list attached hereto is no longer useful or needed and should be declared as surplus movable property.

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

“That the used movable property, office equipment and furnishings and equipment and vehicles contained on the attached list (Attachment SP-2025-001) are declared surplus movable property and that the items be sold at public auction or by sealed bid in accordance with Louisiana law after due public notice is published in the official journal of the Parish.”

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote by roll call was adopted in regular session this 18th day of March, 2025 by the following vote:

YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Morgan.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on March 18, 2025.

RESOLUTION IPC # 2025-013

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR CDBG

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council has been informed that the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, CDBG Section will be accepting applications for FY 2026/2027 Louisiana Community Development Block Grants; and

WHEREAS, the State is requiring communities to revise existing Citizen Participation Plans to conform with current HUD regulations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached Citizen Participation Plan dated February 18, 2025 is hereby adopted and will supersede all previously adopted Citizen Participation Plans.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote by roll call was adopted in regular session this 18th day of March, 2025 by the following vote:

YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Morgan.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on March 18, 2025.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORT

None.

DISCUSSIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Markins, and seconded by Councilman Pierce, to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. The motion was unanimously adopted.

/s/ MACY W. OURSO
COUNCIL CLERK

/s/ STEVE C. SMITH
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN