

**IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING, TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 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 17th day of June, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. pursuant to a Notice of Public Hearing published on the 28th day of May, 2025 in the Advocate and posted on the Iberville Parish website.

The Council Chairman, Steve Smith, 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; 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; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: Martinez.

Councilman Dardenne arrived after roll call.

Chief Administrative Officer- Dwayne Boudreaux, and Chief Operating Officer- Randall Dunn were also in attendance.

Mr. Dunn read the following ordinances in entirety.

ORDINANCE 1 **ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE MILLAGE RATES FOR THE TAX
YEAR 2025**

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 6:15 p.m.

/s/ MACY W. OURSO
COUNCIL CLERK

/s/ STEVE C. SMITH
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

**IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 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 17th day of June, 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; Chasity B. Easley; District 2; 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; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: None.

Parish President- Chris Daigle, Chief Administrative Officer- Dwayne Boudreaux, Chief Operations Officer- Randall Dunn were also in attendance.

A quorum was present and due notice had been posted and published in the Advocate newspaper on the 12th day of June, 2025. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

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

ADDENDUM

A) None.

PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

- A) Comprehensive Evaluation of the Iberville Substance Abuse Center by Southern Evals
- Taylor Cottano and Joseph Thibaut, representing Southern Evals, came before the Council to give a presentation on the strategic plan for the Iberville Parish Substance Abuse Center. He stated that the current Substance Abuse Center is underutilized and is serving mostly court-mandated clients. The underutilization is due to a lack of structure and outreach. The opioid settlement funds that are available will allow for a transformation of the substance abuse center.
 - They created a 4-pillar plan to create more access, education, infrastructure and collaboration. These education programs would start in the schools while also providing other forms of digital preventions and other community resources. He stated that expanding the center and providing more help to address more than just those that suffer from problems with substance abuse. Also, collaborating with those in the community will help remove the stigma of the substance abuse center.
 - Randall Dunn stated that the Parish's first order of business to move this plan forward is to hire a clinical director for the Substance Abuse Center or the behavioral health director.
 - A copy of the presentation is available upon request in the Council's office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Markins, it was moved to wave the reading of the minutes of May 20, 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, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan, Jewell.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Daigle reported on the following:

- He started by recognizing Stephanie Glynn for 27 years of service, Frederick Williams for 10 years of service, Hope Erwin for 10 years of service, Erik Willis for 5 years of service, and Ronald Leblanc for 5 years of service. He also introduced Brittany Dupont as the Director of Grants.
- He stated that the HWY 1 south clean up by Dow is complete. The Hwy 1 culvert project is in progress and are working with the City of lower a water line.
- The Bayou Blue burn site has been approved by DEQ and will be ready for hurricane season. He stated that National Weather Service meteorologist attended the Director Hurricane Meeting.
- He stated that the 2 new boom trucks are set to arrive in July and cameras have been installed at the Bayou Pigeon Boat Launch. Speed limit caution signs are on order and they have identified 15 potential sites for the signs. The Bayou Blue water spray park will go out for bid in the next 2 weeks.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director, Randall Dunn stated the Finance Department is currently working on the financial audit and it will be done by the June 30th deadline. He stated there will be an audit presentation at the July meeting. He also stated that the council received their budget to actual financial statements. He also stated that we are back on par with the 2023 sales tax numbers.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE IPC# 009-25

ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE MILLAGE RATES
FOR THE TAX YEAR 2025

BE IT ORDAINED by the Iberville Parish Council, Louisiana, in an open meeting held on June, 17, 2025 and conducted in accordance with the open meetings law, the provisions of Article VII, Section 23(B) and (C) of the 1974 Constitution and LSA-R.S. 47:1705(b)(1) and (2) that the following millage rates be and hereby are levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within Iberville Parish for the year 2025 for the purpose of raising revenues and appropriating to the respective funds:

	<u>MILLAGE</u>
General Alimony (LLA MN 1042007)	2.48 mills
General Alimony within the City of Plaquemine, City of St. Gabriel, Town of White Castle, and the Town of Maringouin (Exempted Municipalities per Article 6, Section 26 (C) or (D) of the 1974 Constitution of the State of Louisiana.) (LLA MN 1042008)	1.24 mills
Fire District No. 2 (LLA MN 1042020) 2025 Year of First Levy	6.78 mills
Public Building Maintenance (LLA MN 1042036) 2022 Year of first Levy	2.99 mills
Parish Wide Drainage (LLA MN 1042012) 2019 Year of first Levy	4.99 mills
Library Maintenance Fund (LLA MN 1042011) 2016 Year of First Levy	3.99 mills
Recreation District (LLA MN 1042015) 2023 Year of First Levy	2.99 mills
Fire District No. 1 (LLA MN 1042021) 2016 Year of First Levy	3.90 mills

SECTION 2. Be It Further Ordained by the Iberville Parish Council, Louisiana that the method of collections of said taxes, the time of its delinquency, penalties and other matters relating thereto, shall be as now provided by the law for the collection of State Taxes.

SECTION 3. Be it Further Ordained by the Iberville Parish Council, Louisiana that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance herewith be and the same hereby are specifically repealed.

SECTION 4. Be It Further Ordained that the Assessor of the Parish of Iberville shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2025 taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of Iberville Parish shall collect and remit the same to the Iberville Parish Council in accordance with law.

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on May 20, 2025 and a copy thereof having been published in the official journal on May 28, 2025 the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 17th day of June, 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 Frazier, and seconded by Councilwoman Easley, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yeas and nays vote on roll call:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17th day of June, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Introduction of Ordinances

1. Ordinance to adopt uniform water and sewer rates within the Parish of Iberville. *Set for Public Hearing on July 15, 2025*
2. Ordinance to amend the 2025 Fire District #1 special revenue fund budget to purchase a 3,000-gallon commercial tanker truck in the amount of \$525,000. *Set for Public Hearing on July 15, 2025*
3. Ordinance to authorize Iberville Parish Council to purchase immovable property owned by the Iberville Parish School Board and further authorizing the Parish President to sign the necessary documentation to purchase immovable property for the Iberville Parish Library. *Set for Public Hearing on July 15, 2025*
4. Ordinance to sell properties previously declared to be surplus by IPC Ordinance # 012-21 to neighboring property owners pursuant to the terms of IPC Ordinance # 002-13 (Stephanie J. Jordan; Parcel 0110027950). *Set for Public Hearing on July 15, 2025*

Upon a motion by Councilman Markins, seconded by Councilman Bradford, it was moved that a public hearing be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. on the introduced ordinances.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on June 17, 2025

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Resolution Committee met on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 6:04 p.m., followed by the roll call with the following Resolution Committee Members only in attendance: Jewell, Dardenne, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Frazier, Morgan, Dominique.

Absent: None.

Councilwoman Martinez arrived after roll call.

The following resolution was read aloud by Mr. Dunn:

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

B) *Approve* Resolution supporting the development of certain property located within the Parish

Councilman Dominique made a recommendation to forward the resolution to the regular meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Jenkins. 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: Jewell, Dardenne, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Martinez, Frazier, Morgan, Dominique.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

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

During the Regular Meeting:

- Bart Yakuo Zack, came before the Council to speak in favor of the proposed resolution supporting the development of certain property located within the Parish. He represents the family that owns the land and supports the development of the property. He stated that they are looking forward to developing the property for a training center for the Town of White Castle and continuing to grow in the community and working with the Parish in the future.

RESOLUTION IPC # 2025-000

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CERTAIN USED MOVABLE PROPERTY AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION/SALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOUISIANA LAW (SP-2025-002)

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-2025-002) 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 above resolution was duly adopted in regular session on this 17th day of June, 2025 by the following votes on roll call:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17th day of June, 2025.

RESOLUTION IPC # 2025-000

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY
LOCATED WITHIN THE PARISH**

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council (“Parish Council”), acting as the governing authority for the Parish of Iberville, has the duty and responsibility to support economic development activities within and around the Parish of Iberville; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council finds that both the Parish of Iberville, and its citizens, benefit when suitable businesses locate within the Parish of Iberville; and

WHEREAS, Tower Land Company Inc., and JJLD, LLC (collectively, “Owner”) own various properties located within the Parish of Iberville; and

WHEREAS, four (4) such properties, which are owned by Owner, comprises approximately 102.641+/- acres of land as shown on Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof (hereinafter the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, in order to further the economic development of the Parish of Iberville, the Town of White Castle has requested, and the Owner has agreed, to donate Lot TLC/JJLD-1 to the Town of White Castle, for use as a training facility, which facility will be used to enhance the workforce potential of individuals residing within the Town of White Castle and the Parish of Iberville; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council recognizes that the remaining portion of the Property is suitable for commercial and light industrial development, and upon the future adoption of zoning ordinances, the Parish of Iberville will designate the Property as zoned commercial and light industrial; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council’s support for the commercial and light industrial development of the Property and its designation upon the future adoption of zoning ordinances in the Parish of Iberville, is a contributing factor to the Owner’s consent to donating Lot TLGIJJLD-1 to the Town of White Castle.

WHEREAS, the Parish Council hereby adopts this Resolution to express its support for the commercial and light industrial development of the remaining Property owned by Owner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of Iberville, acting as the governing authority of Iberville Parish, that the Parish hereby expresses its support for the commercial and light industrial development of the Property described herein and agrees that upon any future adoption of zoning ordinances in the Parish of Iberville, it will designate the Property as zoned commercial and light industrial; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, despite this Resolution, any proposed development of the Property must still be individually reviewed and evaluated for compliance with all Iberville Parish Council Ordinances and regulations, and must be considered and approved by the Parish Council in a duly called meeting.

The above resolution was duly adopted in regular session on this 17th day of June, 2025 by the following votes on roll call:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 17th day of June, 2025.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

A) *Approve* Consideration of re-subdivision for Nancy Patin

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Allen, seconded by Councilwoman Easley, it was moved to approve as is. 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, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan, Jewell.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on June 17, 2025

B) *Approve* Consideration of re-subdivision for Jewell LeJeune & Dennis Cassard

Upon a motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilwoman Allen, it was moved to approve as is. 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, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan, Jewell.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on June 17, 2025

C) *Approve* Consideration of re-subdivision for Maxine Gossom and Others

Upon a motion by Councilman Morgan, seconded by Councilman Dardenne, it was moved to approve as is. 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, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan, Jewell.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on June 17, 2025

D) *Approve* Consideration of Special Use Permit for Des Glaisse (AT&T)

- Laura Carlisle, representing AT&T came before the Council to describe how the proposed tower would be utilized by AT&T. The tower does not any waivers and meets all requirements in the ordinance. She stated at the Planning Advisory Meeting, there were some concerns of neighbors that are not adjacent to the property about the proposed cell tower. She asked the Council to defer for one month if they wanted to get more information about the concerns that were presented at the planning advisory meeting. She also stated that federal law prohibits a denial of an applications based on aesthetics alone and also federal law prohibits jurisdictions from denying an application based on perceived health effects.
- There were discussions between the Council about what had happened at the Planning Advisory Meeting for those who were not in attendance at the meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilman Dominique, seconded by Councilman Allen, it was moved that a public hearing be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. on the introduced ordinances.

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

YEAS: Jewell.

NAYS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Pierce, Jenkins, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.

ABSTAIN: Markins, Bradford.

ABSENT: None.

The motion failed.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORT

None.

DISCUSSIONS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilwoman Allen, and seconded by Councilman Pierce, to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. The motion was unanimously adopted.

/s/ MACY W. OURSO
COUNCIL CLERK

/s/ STEVE C. SMITH
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN