MINUTES OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL
April 9, 2018

The Tangipahoa Parish Council met on the 9th day of April, 2018 in Regular Session and was called to order by Mr. Bobby Cortez, Chairman, immediately following the public hearing held at 5:30 P.M.

The Invocation was given by Mr. David Cranford, First Baptist Church Ponchatoula and the Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Louis Joseph

The following members were present: James Bailey, Louis Joseph, Carlo Bruno, Buddy Ridgel, Joey Mayeaux, Lionell Wells, David Vial, Harry Lavine, and Bobby Cortez

Absent: Trent Forrest

Item No. 5 - Cell Phones - Please Mute or Turn Off.

Item No. 6 - Adoption of Minutes - A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Bailey to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated March 26, 2018. Roll-call vote was as follows: Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez) Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: 1 (Forrest) Not Voting: None

Item No. 7 - Public Input - Anyone Wishing to Address Agenda Items which were not on Public Hearing – The following people spoke in favor of T.P. Resolution No. R18-05: Salvadore Nicolosi, 49271 River Road, Hammond

Brent Stevens, 10250 Constellation Boulevard, Los Angeles

Item No. 8 - Parish President’s Report:

   a) Approval to Accept into the Parish Maintenance System:

1. Scarlett Glen Subdivision- (Scarlett Lane, Elijah Bend, Steph’s Place)- District No. 9- A motion was made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Lavine to accept Scarlett Glen Subdivision roads and Old Genessee Road (gravel portion on the West Side of I-55) into the parish maintenance system. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yea: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Ridgel, Mayeaux, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: 1 (Forrest) Not Voting: None

2. Old Genessee Road (Gravel Portion on the West side of I-55)- District No. 4- See above, 8a

b) Approval of Debris Removal Contract 2018-2019- A motion was made by Mr. Vial and seconded by Mr. Joseph to amend items 8b and 8c to approval to hire special legal counsel to review Debris Monitoring and Debris Removal contracts for 2018-2019. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yea: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Ridgel, Mayeaux, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: 1 (Forrest) Not Voting: None
A motion was made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Vial to hire Chehardy, Sherman, Williams Law Firm to review Debris Monitoring and Debris Removal contracts for 2018-2019. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Ridgel, Mayeaux, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

c) Approval of Debris Monitoring Contract 2018-2019- See 8b

A motion was made by Mr. and seconded by Mr. to accept the bid for construction of Cell 13 at the landfill to install new liner from Environmental Specialists International for $1,316,353.16. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Ridgel, Mayeaux, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

Item No. 9- Adoption of T.P. Ordinance No. 18-07- An ordinance to authorize the Parish President or his authorized designee to execute any and all documents in regards to the purchase and acquisition of vacant land with no improvements located in Section 16, Township 6 South, Range 7 East, Greensburg Land District, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana- A motion was made by Mr. Mayeaux and seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 18-07. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

T.P. Ordinance No. 18-07
AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT OR HIS AUTHORIZED DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS IN REGARDS TO THE PURCHASE AND ACQUISITION OF VACANT LAND WITH NO IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED IN SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 7 EAST, GREENSBURG LAND DISTRICT, TANGIPAHOA PARISH, LOUISIANA

BE IT ORDAINED by the Tangipahoa Parish Council- President Government, governing authority of Tangipahoa Parish, State of Louisiana that the action of Tangipahoa Parish President or his authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute all documents in regards to the purchase of vacant land with no improvements located in in Section 16, Township 6 South, Range 7 East, Greensburg Land District, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana

Legal Description
A piece or parcel of land being situated in Section 16, Township 6 South, Range 7 East, Greensburg Land District, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the 1/4 Corner on the North line of Section 16; thence S 00°15ʹ 28"W 434.96 feet to a point; thence N 89° 44ʹ 32" W 33.21 feet to a 1/2" rebar set on the apparent west right of way line of Randall Road and the Point of Beginning; thence along said right of way line S 00° 30ʹ 48"W a distance of 261.73 feet to a point on the top bank of a creek and also the south line of the parent tract; thence leaving said right of way line and along the top of bank S 67° 49ʹ 46" W a distance of 16.27 feet to a 1/2" rebar set; thence leaving said bank N 00° 30ʹ 48" E a distance of 17.00 feet to a 1/2" rebar set; thence N 39° 10ʹ 24" E a distance of 1.28.1 feet to a 1/2" rebar set; thence N 00° 30ʹ 48" E a distance of 172.00 feet to a 1/2" rebar set; thence N 04° 01ʹ 53" E a distance of 114.22 feet back to the point of beginning. The above described parcel contains 0.037 acre, as shown on the attached certified survey by Andrew Faller Surveying, LLC, Job No. 8617, dated 7/13/17, and is subject to all servitudes and restrictions that may be of record (the “Property”). BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption of the TPC and signature of the Parish President.

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President
Tangipahoa Parish

S/Bobby Cortez, Chairman
Tangipahoa Parish Council

Item No. 10- Adoption of T.P. Ordinance No. 18-09- An ordinance to authorize the Parish President or his designee to execute an agreement for the purchase and acquisition of property through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. A motion was made by Mr. Lavine and seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 18-09. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

T.P. Ordinance No. 18-09
AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT OR HIS AUTHORIZED DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS IN REGARDS TO THE PURCHASE AND ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY THROUGH THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM
BE IT ORDAINED by the Tangipahoa Parish Council-President Government, governing authority of Tangipahoa Parish, State of Louisiana that the action of Tangipahoa Parish President or his authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute all documents in regards to the purchase of the following properties through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP):

Whaland Shepherd, Jr.  
21435 Forrest Lane  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
Grant # HMGP-1792-29

Patricia Gibson  
42287 S. Range Road  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
Grant # HMGP-1792-29

Toby and Patricia Flint  
21419 Forrest Lane  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
Grant # HMGP-4080-30

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption of the TPC and signature of the Parish President.

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk  
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President  
Tangipahoa Parish

S/Bobby Cortez, Chairman  
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Item No. 11- Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 18-10- An ordinance directing the renewal of the levy and collection of a three (3) mills ad valorem tax on all property subject to taxation within the boundaries of the Parish for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2019 and ending with the year 2028, for the purpose of improving, maintaining, operating and supporting the Tangipahoa Parish Public Library and its branches- A motion was made by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Joseph to introduce T.P. Ordinance 18-10 and set public hearing for Monday, April 23, 2018 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: 1 (Forrest)  
Not Voting: None

Item No. 12- Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 18-11- An ordinance to require any municipality, Parish, Water District, or private water company operating a water system serving customers in the area served by Sewerage District No. 1 for Tangipahoa Parish to collect service charges imposed by the Sewerage District on served customers and to authorize the same to disconnect water services due to failure to timely pay service charges imposed by the Sewerage District. Furthermore, each municipality, Parish, Water District, or private water company required to collect this service charge shall be liable for damages suffered by the Sewerage District as a result of failure to remit charges collected that are owed to the Sewerage District- A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Vial to introduce T.P. Ordinance 18-11 and set public hearing for Monday, April 23, 2018 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: 1 (Forrest)  
Not Voting: None

Item No. 13- Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 18-12- An ordinance to authorize the disposal of assets- A motion was made by Mr. Joseph and seconded by Mr. Wells to introduce T.P. Ordinance 18-12 and set public hearing for Monday, April 23, 2018 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: 1 (Forrest)  
Not Voting: None

Item No. 14- Introduction of T.P. Ordinance No. 18-13- An ordinance to revise and amend Sections 8-1, 8-3, 8-6, and 8-9 of Chapter 8 of the Tangipahoa Parish Code of Ordinances- A motion was made by Mr. Vial and seconded by Mr. Lavine to introduce T.P. Ordinance 18-13 and set public hearing for Monday, April 23, 2018 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the adoption thereof. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: 1 (Forrest)  
Not Voting: None

Item No. 15- Adoption of T.P. Resolution No. R18-03- A Resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the “Parish”), on Saturday, March 24, 2018, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a three (3) mills ad valorem tax on all property subject to taxation within the boundaries of the Parish for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the
T.P. Resolution No. 18-03

A Resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the “Parish”), on Saturday, March 24, 2018, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a three (3) mills ad valorem tax on all property subject to taxation within the boundaries of the Parish for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2019 and ending with the year 2028, for the purpose of improving, maintaining, operating and supporting the Tangipahoa Parish Public Library and its branches; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority (the “Governing Authority”), of the Parish, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official certified tabulations of votes cast at the special election held in the Parish on Saturday, March 24, 2018 (the “Election”), said tabulations having been prepared and certified by the election officials serving at the designated polling places, and the Governing Authority does now further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the Election.

SECTION 2. That a Proces Verbal of the canvass of the returns of the Election shall be made and that a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and ex-officio Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; that another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and ex-officio Recorder of the Mortgage Records of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana; and that another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of the Parish.

SECTION 3. That the result of the Election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President

Tangipahoa Parish

Item No. 16- Process Verbal of the canvass of the votes cast at the election held in the Parish of Tangipahoa State of Louisiana, on Saturday, March 24, 2018: A motion was made by Mr. Joseph and seconded by Mr. Wells to accept the results of the process verbal of the canvass of the votes cast at the election held in the Parish of Tangipahoa State of Louisiana, on Saturday, March 24, 2018. Roll call vote was as follows:

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Nays:  None

Abstain:  None

Absent: 1 (Forrest)

Not Voting: None

PROCES VERBAL


Shall the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the “Parish”) be authorized to renew the levy and collection of a special ad valorem tax of three (3) mills on all property subject to taxation within the boundaries of the Parish (the “Tax”) (an estimated $1,643,476.00 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year) for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the tax collection for the year 2019, and annually thereafter, through and including the year 2028, and shall said Tax (after paying reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the Tax) be used entirely and exclusively for the purpose of improving, maintaining, operating and supporting the Tangipahoa Parish Public Library and its branches? There was found by said count and canvass that the following votes had been cast at the said special election in favor of and against, respectively, the proposition as hereinabove set forth at the following polling places,

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WHEREAS, local governments have borne substantial financial and societal burdens related to this crisis and have been required to address the public health consequences and other local services needed to treat the problems created by this public detriment.  

WHEREAS, Tangipahoa Parish is reported to have the second highest number of opioid-related overdoses and has become one of eight states in the nation to declare the unlawful distribution of opioid medications and opioid addiction a detriment to the public; and; 

WHEREAS, Tangipahoa Parish is among the 25 states studied for long term opioid prescription in six received opioids on a long term basis, ranking 15,000 deaths involving opioid-induced overdose in Louisiana; and; 

WHEREAS, 91 Americans die every day from an opioid overdose, with more than 15,000 deaths involving prescription opioids alone in 2015; and; 

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2017, the President of the United States declared the opioid crisis to be a “public health emergency,” and; 

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2017 by the Governor of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority (the “Governing Authority”), of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the “Parish”), does hereby declare and proclaim in open and public session that the Proposition, as hereinafter set forth, was duly PASSED by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters voting at the election held in the Parish on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, and that the result of said election be promulgated by the Secretary of State and by the Clerk of Court in the manner required by law.

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Bobby Cortez, Chairman
Tangipahoa Parish Council

S/Robby Miller, President
Tangipahoa Parish

Item No. 17: Adoption of T.P. Resolution No. R18-04: A resolution to declare the unlawful distribution of opioid medications and opioid addiction a detriment to the public - A motion was made by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R18-04. Roll call vote was as follows:  

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: 1 (Forrest)  

Not Voting: None  

T.P. RESOLUTION No. R18-04  

A resolution to declare the unlawful distribution of opioid medications and opioid addiction a detriment to the public  

WHEREAS, the United States and the several States, including the State of Louisiana, and its political subdivisions are experiencing, in the words of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, an opioid-induced “public health epidemic,” and; 

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2017, the President of the United States declared the opioid crisis to be a “public health emergency,” and; 

WHEREAS, 91 Americans die every day from an opioid overdose, with more than 15,000 deaths involving prescription opioids alone in 2015, and; 

WHEREAS, data provided by the Louisiana Municipal Association states that in recent years Louisiana has seen an alarming rise in opioid-related overdoses and has become one of eight states where the number of opioid prescriptions outnumbers the number of Louisiana residents, and; 

WHEREAS, the Workers’ Compensation Research Institute reports that 85% of injured workers in Louisiana on pain medication received opioids from 2012 to 2014 and one in six received opioids on a long-term basis, ranking Louisiana #1 among the 25 states studied for long-term use, and; 

WHEREAS, opioid addiction is a disease that affects people of both sexes and all race/ethnic groups and socioeconomic backgrounds, and; 

WHEREAS, during the 2017 regular session of the Louisiana legislature, the Louisiana Municipal Association passionately supported multiple legislative measures to address the epidemic; and; 

WHEREAS, approximately 675 Louisiana residents die from prescription overdoses each year; and; 

WHEREAS, Louisiana has seen death by drug overdoses triple since 1999; and; 

WHEREAS, Louisiana is in the top 10 states for drug overdose death rates, and; 

WHEREAS, Tangipahoa Parish is reported to have the second highest rating in Louisiana for opioid abuse, and; 

WHEREAS, local governments have borne substantial financial and societal burdens related to this crisis and epidemic and will incur costs for years to come into the foreseeable future.  

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tangipahoa Parish Government that: 

SECTION 1. The Tangipahoa Parish Government finds and declares that unlawful distribution of opioid medications and opioid addiction is a detriment to the public and supports efforts to abate this detriment including securing the funds necessary to address the public health consequences and other local services needed to treat the problems created by this public detriment. 

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Item No. 18- Adoption of T.P. Resolution No. R18-05- A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana on November 6, 2018, for the purpose of authorizing the relocation to and conducting of riverboat gaming in Tangipahoa Parish at an approved berth or docking facility along the Tangipahoa River, southwest of the intersection of Interstate 12 and Louisiana Highway 445; and further making application to the State Bond Commission for consent and authorization to hold the aforesaid election; and further providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the Parish Council of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority (the “Governing Authority”), of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana (the “Parish”), desires to order and call a special election to be held in the Parish on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018, to authorize the relocation to and conducting of riverboat gaming in Tangipahoa Parish at an approved berth or docking facility along the Tangipahoa River, southwest of the intersection of Interstate 12 and Louisiana Highway 445; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the Parish, that:

- Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission and under the authority conferred by the applicable provisions of Chapters 1, 2 and 4 of Title 27 and Article XII, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, as amended (the “Constitution”) and the applicable provisions of Chapters 5, 6-B and 6-D of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the “Election Code”), and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, a special election (the “Election”) is hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 18:541), and that at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters residing in the Parish, qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to wit:

PROPOSITION

Shall Louisiana Riverboat Gaming Partnership, an existing riverboat gaming license holder, be allowed to relocate and conduct riverboat gaming operations or activities at a facility to be located in Tangipahoa Parish at an approved berth or docking facility along the Tangipahoa River, southwest of the intersection of Interstate 12 and Louisiana Highway 445, pursuant to an existing riverboat gaming license and with the prior approval of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, all in accordance with Louisiana Gaming Control Law?

Publication of Notice of Special Election. Pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1285, a Notice of Special Election concerning the Election will be published in the Daily Star (the “Official Journal”), a newspaper of general circulation within the Parish, and is the Official Journal of the Parish, once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for the Election, which notice will be substantially in accordance with the Notice of Special Election annexed hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, to the same extent as if it were set forth in full.

Canvass of Election Returns. This Governing Authority will meet on Monday, December 10, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Tangipahoa Parish Courthouse Annex, 206 East Mulberry Street, Amite, Louisiana, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the official election returns and declare the results of the said special election, pursuant to Section 1292 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

Designation of Commissioners and Commissioners-in-Charge. As required in La. R.S. 18:1286(B), the officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, will hold the Election as herein provided solely in compliance with the provisions of Parts II and V of the Election Code, as amended, and will make due returns of said Election in accordance with the aforesaid provisions of the Election Code. The compensation of said officers be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum prescribed by law. All registered voters in each precinct and residing in the Parish are entitled to vote at the Election.
Governing Authority is further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.

**Furnishing Election Call.** In accordance with La. R.S. 18:1285(B)(1), certified copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parish of Tangipahoa, and the Registrar of Voters in and for said Parish, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

**Application to State Bond Commission.** Application be and the same is hereby formally made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authorization to hold a special proposition election in the Parish, as previously specified herein, said election to be held within the Parish on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018, and in the event the aforesaid proposition is carried for consent and authorization provided for by said proposition for the purpose herein specified; and that a certified copy of this Resolution will be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of the Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of such application.

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk
Tangipahoa Parish Council
S/Robby Miller, President
Tangipahoa Parish

Item No. 19: Adoption of T.P. Resolution No. R18-06- A resolution authorizing the Tangipahoa Parish Government to prepare and submit a pre-application to the Statewide Flood Control Program for assistance in the implementation of a project, for the purpose of reducing existing flood damages; providing for the necessary documentation of said flood damages; and providing for other related matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Tangipahoa Parish Government desires to apply for State matching funds pursuant to L.A. R.S. 38:90.1 et. seq., as amended, to implement a project to reduce said flood damages, and that Tangipahoa Parish Government is fully aware of its obligations under said Statute; and

WHEREAS, Tangipahoa Parish Government is a political body duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Louisiana and is eligible to apply for funds under said Statute, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tangipahoa Parish Government as follows:

Section 1. That Tangipahoa Parish Government acknowledges that upon approval of the pre-application a formal application will be prepared and submitted to the statewide Flood Control Program.

Section 2. That at the appropriate time and upon approval of funding assistance and prior to commencement of work on the project Tangipahoa Parish Government agrees to execute a Statement of Sponsorship pursuant to said Statute.

Section 3. That Missy Cowart, Parish Director of Accounting, is hereby designated the authorized representative for Tangipahoa Parish Government to effect the preparation of the pre-application(s) and application(s) to the Statewide Flood Control Program for funding assistance of a flood control project, and that the Parish President is the Authorized Signee for signature on all official acts and legal documents on behalf of the Project.

Section 4. That said Authorized Representative’s responsibilities shall pertain to technical matters only and shall not include any official act on behalf of the Parish of Tangipahoa.

S/Kristen Pecararo, Clerk
Tangipahoa Parish Council
S/Robby Miller, President
Tangipahoa Parish

Item No. 20- Beer, Wine, and Liquor Permits

a) Sun Buns, LLC (JFW Properties, LLC)- Class A and Class A/B Liquor
31113 Highway 51
Akers, La- A motion was made by Mr. Mayeaux and seconded by Mr. Wells to approve the Class A and Class A/B permits for Sun Buns, LLC. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

b) Baba Jee Enterprises, LLC (Best Stop #7)- Class B Beer and Class A/B Liquor
48012 Whiskey Lane

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Tickfaw, La- A motion was made by Mr. Ridgel and seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to approve the Class B and Class A/B permits for Baba Jee Enterprises, LLC. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

c) B & B Petroleum, LLC (Robert Chevron)- Class B Beer and Class A/B Liquor
42763 Highway 445
Ponchatoula, La 70454- A motion was made by Mr. Vial and seconded by Mr. Wells to approve the Class B and Class A/B permits for B & B Petroleum, LLC. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

Item No. 21- Appoint/Re-Appoint Independence Recreation District (39a)- A motion was made by Mr. Joseph and seconded by Mr. Bruno to re appoint Mr. Daniel McCallister and Mr. Paul Durnin for their second full terms as commissioners. These terms will expire April 2023. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

Item No. 22- Appoint/Re-Appoint Ponchatoula Recreation District- A motion was made by Mr. Joseph and seconded by Mr. Wells to reappoint Mr. Gregory Fletcher for his second full term as commissioner. This term will expire April 2023. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

Item No. 23- Appoint/Re-Appoint Amite Area Recreation District- A motion was made by Mr. Joseph and seconded by Mr. Wells to reappoint Mr. Eve Wilson as commissioner. This term will expire April 2022. Roll call vote was as follows:

Yeas: 9 (Bailey, Joseph, Bruno, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells, Vial, Lavine, Cortez)
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: 1 (Forrest)
Not Voting: None

Item No. 24- Appoint Minimum Quality Housing Standards Committee Members- Mr. Cortez appointed Mr. Louis Joseph and Mr. Lionel Wells to serve on Administrations Minimum Housing Quality Standards Committee.

Item No. 25- Legal Matters- None

Item No. 26- Councilmen’s Privileges- Mr. Bruno discussed comments made during public input for T.P. Resolution No. 18-05 stating that the Drainage Board has worked diligently on the Tangipahoa River. It is a lengthy process with the Corps of Engineers.

- Mr. Joseph recognized Kentwood Mayor Irma Gordon for being in attendance tonight.

- Mr. Miller introduced Mr. John Dunnington, the Parishes new technology specialist.

Item No. 27- Adjourn

With no further business appearing, on motion by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Vial, the Tangipahoa Parish Council adjourned.

ATTEST:

S/Kristen Pecararo  
S/Bobby Cortez
Clerk  
Chairman
Tangipahoa Parish Council  
Tangipahoa Parish Council