

**PROCEEDINGS**  
**OF THE**  
**TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**IN SPECIAL SESSION**

**JUNE 2, 2009**

The Chairwoman, Ms. A. Williams, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room. Following the Invocation, led by Minute Clerk V. Chauvin, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Clerk P. Labat.

Upon roll call, Council Members recorded as present were: A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, K. Voisin, C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, and A. Tillman. A quorum was declared present.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Tony Alford, President of the Terrebonne Levee & Conservation District Board, who stated that last night at the Levee District's Special Meeting, the board unanimously approved proceeding, contingent upon the Council's approval, with certain projects for the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project. He gave a brief presentation on the preliminary design for various features of the projects.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Reggie Bourg, Bourg resident, who expressed his concerns relative to the stability of the levee for the Morganza to the Gulf Project, as proposed. He also expressed opposition to proceeding with Levee District projects without the Levee District Board being required to air their meetings on TPTV to show the public how funds are being spent.

Upon questioning by Councilman C. Voisin, Mr. James Dagate, Assistant District Attorney and legal counsel representing the Terrebonne Levee District Board, who stated that the Levee Board did adopt a resolution at their meeting last night endorsing the proposal to proceed with the Morganza Project as being proposed to the Council tonight. He explained that it was anticipated to obtain federal funding for the Morganza to the Project, but has not been received yet, so the project is being funded at this time with matching funds from the state. He stated that efforts will still be made to obtain federal credit for the project, but there are no guarantees.

OFFERED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

SECONDED: Unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-280

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND SUPPORTING A REVISION TO THE APPROVED 2009 TERREBONNE LEVEE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROCEEDING WITH ADDITIONAL WORK WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE MORGANZA TO THE GULF HURRICANE PROTECTION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT and the TERREBONNE LEVEE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT have worked in partnership on the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project since 2001, and

WHEREAS, since 2002, the TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT has collected a ¼ cent sales tax to be used as a local match to advance the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project, and

WHEREAS, the TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT and TERREBONNE LEVEE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT (Levee District) have executed a local services agreement to expend the dollars collected for the project, and

WHEREAS, as part of this local services agreement the TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT must approve expenditures from this sales tax fund as part of its annual budget, and

WHEREAS, on October 8, 2008, following a presentation by Levee District Interim Executive Director Windell Curole on a general listing of expenditures and projects to be undertaken by the Levee District, the Terrebonne Parish Council voted unanimously to approve the 2009 Sales Tax Budget of the Terrebonne Levee and Conservation District, and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana has recently provided or committed significant additional matching funds to the TERREBONNE LEEVE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT, for the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project, as evidenced by attached Exhibit 1, and

WHEREAS, as a result of these additional matching funds, the TERREBONNE LEEVE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT wants to initiate preliminary engineering design, final engineering design, and/or construction of several new features along the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project alignment to further and more promptly enhance the protection of the citizens and properties of this parish, and

WHEREAS, the TERREBONNE LEEVE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT has approved and sent to the State of Louisiana a priority listing of this new work and component features of the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project, and

WHEREAS, this new work requires a revision to the previously approved expenditure of sales tax funds to comply with the terms of the local sales tax services agreement between TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT and TERREBONNE LEEVE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT, and

WHEREAS, the TERREBONNE LEEVE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT has prepared the necessary budget amendment, adopted by its Board of Commissioners on June 1, 2009, to provide for preliminary engineering design and final engineering design for Levee Reaches F, H-2 and J-3 and associated tie ins, and for movable flood control barges and associated structures at Bayou Grand Caillou, Houma Navigational Canal, Bush Canal, and Placid Canal, said budget amendment attached hereto as Exhibit 2, also includes authorization for construction funds for levee Reach H-2 and moveable flood control barges and associated structures for Bush Canal and Placid Canal along the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project alignment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the Council hereby approves and supports a revision to the previously adopted sales tax allocation for the TERREBONNE LEEVE AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT so as to allow for expenditures relating to Preliminary Engineering Design and Final Design for Levee Reaches F, H-2 and J-3 and associated tie ins, and movable flood control barges and associated structures at Bayou Grand Caillou, Houma Navigational Canal, Bush Canal, and Placid Canal, along the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project alignment, which said budget amendment shown on Exhibit 2 also includes authorization for construction funds for levee Reach H-2 and moveable flood control barges and associated structures for Bush Canal and Placid Canal.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, K. Voisin, C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert and A. Tillman.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2009.

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(The Exhibits for the previous document are on file in the office of the Terrebonne Parish Council, 8026 Main Street, Government Tower, Suite 600, Houma, Louisiana, and are available for inspection during regular business hours weekdays, Monday through Friday.)

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Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting be adjourned."

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, K. Voisin, C. Voisin, and J. Cehan

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted and the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

VENITA H. CHAUVIN, MINUTE CLERK

ATTEST:

/S/ARLANDA J. WILLIAMS  
ARLANDA J. WILLIAMS, CHAIRWOMAN  
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL

/S/PAUL A. LABAT  
PAUL A. LABAT, COUNCIL CLERK  
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL