PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL
IN REGULAR SESSION
APRIL 8, 2009

The Chairwoman, Ms. A. Williams, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room. Following the Invocation, led by Councilman C. Voisin, Council Clerk P. Labat led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. B. Hebert and Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, the Council approve the minutes of the Regular Council Session held on 3/11/09.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. A. Tillman.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. J. Cehan moved, seconded by Mr. J. Pizzolatto, “THAT, the Council approve the Parish Bill List dated April 8, 2009. ”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Cehan.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. K. Voisin.
SECONDED: Unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-158

WHEREAS, Cancer will touch one in two men and one in three women during their lifetime, and

WHEREAS, this year alone, over one-half million Americans are expected to die of cancer – more than 1,500 people per day, and

WHEREAS, nationwide, more than a million people will be diagnosed with cancer this year, and many of those cases will be Louisiana residents, and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy and service, and

WHEREAS, Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society’s signature activity raising awareness and funds for the fight against cancer, and
WHEREAS, on April 25, 2009, as in years past, teams of community members will take turns walking or running around a track for 12 hours during this unique fund-raising event to symbolize that cancer never rests, and, therefore, we cannot stop fighting.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of Parish President Michel H. Claudet and the entire Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the weekend of April 24 - 26, 2009 be proclaimed “American Cancer Society Relay for Life Weekend in Houma-Terrebonne” and in doing so, urge all community members to support the fund-raising efforts of local Relay for Life teams, urge all community members to Paint the Town Purple by wearing purple on Friday, April 24, 2009 in honor of all citizens of Terrebonne Parish who have been touched by cancer, to join cancer survivors in the celebration of life, and dedicate themselves to the fight against cancer by attending the Relay for Life event on April 25, 2009 at the Houma-Terrebonne Civic Center.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSTAINING:  None.
ABSENT:  None.
The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Jane Aitkens, American Cancer Society volunteer, who thanked the Council and Parish President for the proclamation, announced some of the activities that will take place for the Relay for Life and encouraged everyone to come out and support this worthy cause.

OFFERED BY:  Ms. T. Cavalier.
SECONDED:     Unanimously.
RESOLUTION NO. 09-159

WHEREAS, there are nearly 100,000 people on the national organ transplant waiting list, with more than 1,800 of these individuals in the state of Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, on average, 133 people are added to the nation’s organ transplant waiting list each day – one every 11 minutes, and

WHEREAS, approximately 18 patients die each day while waiting for a donated heart, liver, kidney or other organ, and

WHEREAS, the need for organ donations greatly exceeds the supply available and will likely increase in the coming years, and

WHEREAS, more than 1 million tissue transplants are done each year and the surgical need for tissue has been steadily rising, and

WHEREAS, the need for a more diverse donor pool, including a variety of racial and ethnic minorities, will continue to grow in the coming years, and

WHEREAS, many Americans have indicated a willingness to donate their organs and tissues but have not discussed this critical matter with the family members, and

WHEREAS, the final decision on whether a potential donor can share the gift of life is made, many times, by surviving family members regardless of the patient’s initial intent, and
WHEREAS, National Donate Life Month is a national observance to raise awareness of the critical need for organ and tissue donation. It is also an initiative to educate the community about the facts and process of how to make the decision to donate life.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Parish President and the entire Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the month of April 2009 be hereby proclaimed “National Donate Life Month” in Houma-Terrebonne so someday we may be able to Donate Life to someone waiting for a second chance.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Teresita McNabb, Vice-President of Nursing at TGMC, who thanked the Council and Parish President for the proclamation and the support for this worthy endeavor.

OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Pizzolatto.
SECONDED: Unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-160

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Council has been made aware that the City of Houma has been awarded the title of “Cleanest City, District III” by the Louisiana Garden Club Federation, Inc., and

WHEREAS, seven cities competed in the South West District, those being New Iberia, Morgan City, Gueydan, St. Martinville, Lafayette, Carencro and Houma, and

WHEREAS, Terrebonne Garden Club, which sponsors the contest and nominated the City of Houma, is to be commended for its efforts in achieving the award, and its members credited with hard work and dedication towards this end, and

WHEREAS, two specific members of the Terrebonne Garden Club, Ms. Mary Jane Peters and Ms. Judy Navarre, were in charge of the Cleanest City Campaign, and are to be congratulated on a job well done, and

WHEREAS, as District III winner, the City of Houma will now move on to compete at the State level of the competition.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Parish President and the entire Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that all who played a part in the City of Houma having achieved “Cleanest City, District III” of the Louisiana Garden Club Federation, Inc. competition are hereby congratulated, and an expression of the appreciation of the entire community of Houma-Terrebonne is hereby extended to each of them.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Mary Jane Peters, President of the Terrebonne Garden Club, who thanked the Council and Parish President for the commendation and the Sheriff for his assistance and the support in cleaning up the City of Houma.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, the Council introduce an ordinance which sets the franchise fee to be paid by those entities providing cable or video service within the Parish of Terrebonne under a state-granted franchise authority and call a public hearing on May 13, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Pizzolatto.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS:  C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS:  None
ABSENT:  None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council introduce an ordinance requiring the payment of public, education, governmental access programming support to the Parish or Terrebonne by cable or video service providers operating within the Parish of Terrebonne under a state-issued Certificate of Franchise Authority and call a public hearing on May 13, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Voisin.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS:  C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS:  None
ABSENT:  None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY:  Mr. C. Voisin.
SECONDED BY:  Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-161

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO ENTER INTO THE APPROPRIATE AGREEMENT WITH GULF SOUTH ENGINEERS, INC., TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES REQUIRED FOR THE HOUMA MARINA SAFE HARBOR MOORING AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS PROJECT FUNDED BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government is making an application for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery Grant from the Louisiana Recovery Authority/Office of Community Development for the Houma Marina Safe Harbor Mooring and Pedestrian Access project; and

WHEREAS, the application for this project requires preliminary engineering services for the application and the resulting project should the application be approved; and

WHEREAS, having duly advertised a Request for Qualifications and after reviewing and ranking the three (3) respondents by the criteria advertised, Gulf South Engineers, Inc. (GSE) received the highest score for selection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, to hereby ratify the Parish President’s appointment of GSE, and authorize the Parish President to execute the appropriate agreement with Gulf South Engineers, Inc. to provide the preliminary engineering services for the Houma Marina Safe Harbor Mooring and Pedestrian Access project and any subsequent engineering services required should the application be approved.
THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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The Chairwoman stated that that in reference to agenda item 2A - State Representative Joe Harrison called to indicate that he would not be able to attend tonight’s meeting due to a legislative meeting in Baton Rouge.

The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Diana Edmonson, Director of the Council on Aging, who requested the Council’s consideration of a resolution supporting a grant application for some of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds. Upon questioning she stated that the application has already been sent in because the deadline was last Friday, but it will not be considered until the Parish President signs the application.

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, “THAT, the Council allow an add-on to tonight’s agenda to address a resolution of support for the Council on Aging’s application for rural transportation grant funding.”

Interim Parish Manager P. Gordon stated that many of these programs deadlines are closing, in fact some of the Stimulus Programs have already closed and some have reopened, and time is of the essence.

Upon questioning by Councilwoman T. Cavalier, Ms. Diana Edmonson stated that this program will not require matching funds from TPCG.

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Voisin.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman called from comments from the public on the aforementioned add-on.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Allan Luke, Chairman of the Houma Housing Authority, who requested the Council’s support of the proposed resolution because of the transportation the Council on Aging provides to the parish.

There were no further comments from the public.

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council close the call for public comments.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Voisin.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.
OFFERED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.
SECONDED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-162

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government:

1. That the Terrebonne Council on Aging, Inc. is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, to aid in the financing capital assistance projects pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Transit Capital Assistance Program.

2. That the Terrebonne Council on Aging, Inc. is authorized to execute and file with such applications an assurance or any other document required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.

3. That the Terrebonne Council on Aging, Inc. is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development may require in connection with the application or the project.

4. That the Terrebonne Council on Aging, Inc. is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.

5. That the Terrebonne Council on Aging, Inc. is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for aid in the financing of the capital assistance projects.

6. This resolution is applicable for a period of one year unless revoked by the governing body and copy of such revocation shall be furnished to the DOTD.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Yvonne Tregre, Sandra Street resident, who expressed her concerns regarding drainage and flooding problems in Plantation Gardens with the last hurricanes and the recent heavy rain event being the worst they have ever seen. She offered what she believes to be causes for the drainage problems and possible solutions.

Councilman C. Voisin requested the Public Works Director to review the elevation shots in the Plantation Gardens area, inspect the lateral ditches for obstructions and come back with an analogy of how to solve the problems.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, it now being 6:30 p.m., the Council open public hearings.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Pizzolatto.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted. The Chairwoman recognized the public for comments on the following:

A. A proposed ordinance that will accept Energy Center of Southeast Louisiana, Addendum No. 2, Phases A and B into the Parish Maintenance System, and incorporate Olympian Offshore Lane, and the extension of Technology Lane into the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System.

There were no comments from the public on the proposed ordinance.

Mr. J. Cehan moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, the Council close the aforementioned public hearing.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Cehan.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. B. Hebert.
SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

ORDINANCE NO. 7624

AN ORDINANCE DEDICATING AND ACCEPTING THE MAINTENANCE/OPERATION OF THE STREET(S), DRAINAGE SERVITUDES, AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR “ENERGY CENTER OF SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA, ADDENDUM NO. 2, PHASES A & B” AND TO INCORPORATE “OLYMPIAN OFFSHORE LANE” AND THE EXTENSION OF “TECHNOLOGY LANE” INTO THE ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A BETTER MEANS OF LOCATING ADDRESSES; AND TO SET FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF STREET NAME(S), TO INFORM THE PROPER AGENCIES OF THE STREET NAME(S), AND TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF THE APPROPRIATE STREET SIGN(S), AND TO ADDRESS OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

SECTION I

BE IT ORDAINED that the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, dedicates and accepts the maintenance/operation of the street(s), drainage servitudes, and rights-of-way as depicted on a plat, prepared on February 25, 2009 by Milford & Associates, Inc. titled “Energy Center of Southeast Louisiana, Addendum No. 2, Phases A & B,” a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED effective on the 15th day of April, 2009, that “Olympian Offshore Lane” and the extension of “Technology Lane” be incorporated into the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a copy of this ordinance be submitted to the Terrebonne Parish Communications Board, local U.S. Postal Services, fire districts, Acadian Ambulance, Terrebonne Parish Sheriff’s Office, and any other appropriate agency; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parish Forces be directed to install the proper street sign on the appropriate street, and that any other actions relative thereto be addressed.
SECTION II

If any word, clause, phrase, section or other portion of this ordinance shall be declared null, void, invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional, the remaining words, clauses, phrases, sections or other portions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect, the provisions of this section hereby being declared to be severable.

This ordinance, having been introduced and laid on the table for at least two weeks, was voted upon as follows:

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairwoman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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The Chairwoman recognized the public for comments on the following:

B. A proposed ordinance to amend the 2009 Budget for the funding of the State Office of Community Development Grant, and for the Lake Boudreaux weir structure funding

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Reggie Bourg, Bourg resident, who requested that the aforementioned matter be explained and how much it will cost the Parish Government and where are the funds coming from.

Councilman J. Pizzolatto explained that the project is for the Boudreaux Canal Weir Structure and with a cooperative agreement between the Terrebonne Levee & Conservation District and Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, the parish participation is 40% share, for an approximate cost of $80,000. from the parish.

There were no further comments from the public on the proposed ordinance.

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, “THAT, the Council close the aforementioned public hearing.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Voisin.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEA: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.
SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

ORDINANCE NO. 7625

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2009 ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE FUNDING OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

• State Office of Community Development (OCD) Grant - $136,855
• Lake Boudreaux Weir Structure - $80,000

SECTION I
WHEREAS, OCD is awarding a grant through the Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) to the Parish in the amount of $136,855, and

WHEREAS, this grant award is to provide for funding for the single purchase of flood protection equipment deemed necessary for the Parish, and

WHEREAS, the equipment which is 18” in height may be used to top an existing levee or to create a levee to prevent flooding, and

WHEREAS, this flood protection equipment is portable that makes them usable for any area of the Parish and should be able to be used for many years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2009 Adopted Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government be amended to recognize the funding from the LGAP Grant for the flood control inflatable tubes. (Attachment A)

SECTION II

WHEREAS, Boudreaux Canal Weir Structure is in need of repairs due to the continuous tidal exchange between Lake Boudreaux and Bayou Little Caillou, and

WHEREAS, as per a cooperative agreement between the Terrebonne Levee and Conservation District and Parish, the Parish participates in a 40% share of the cost of all maintenance activities above $3,000 for the Boudreaux Canal Weir Structure, and

WHEREAS, the necessary repairs call for the Parish’s share of funding to be approximately $80,000.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2009 Adopted Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government be amended to fund the Parish’s share of the Lake Boudreaux Weir Structure repairs. (Attachment B)

This ordinance, having been introduced and laid on the table for at least two weeks, was voted upon as follows:

THERE WAS RECORDED:


NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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ATTACHMENT A - LEVEE TUBES

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ATTACHMENT B - BOUDEAUX CANAL WEIR STRUCTURE

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The Chairwoman recognized the public for comments on the following:

C. A proposed ordinance to amend the 2009 Budget to provide funding for computer equipment for the LIHEAP Program

There were no comments from the public on the proposed ordinance.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council close the aforementioned public hearing.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. A. Tillman.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS:  C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS:  None
ABSENT:  None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY:  Mr. A. Tillman.
SECONDED BY:  Mr. C. Voisin and Mr. K. Voisin.

ORDINANCE NO. 7626

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2009 ADOPTED BUDGET SO AS TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR COMPUTER EQUIPMENT FOR THE LIHEAP PROGRAM.

SECTION I

WHEREAS, the Housing and Human Services Department administers an energy assistance program for the elderly and disadvantaged using Federal grants, and

WHEREAS, the total of $1,176,200 for the energy assistance contract ends September, 2009, and

WHEREAS, the administrative fees earned from this contract will be $101,863, and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Human Services Department has the new contract for the LIHEAP Program that has increased the need for new computers to handle the volume of additional clients, and

WHEREAS, the new computers will be compatible with the current printers, and

WHEREAS, the cost of the four new computers is approximately $6,810 which will be reflected in the Housing and Human Services Department’s asset listing.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2009 Adopted Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government be amended for the purchase of computers for the LIHEAP contract (Attachment A).

This ordinance, having been introduced and laid on the table for at least two weeks, was voted upon as follows:
THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSTAINING:  None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairwoman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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ATTACHMENT A - LIHEAP FUNDING OF NEW COMPUTERS

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The Chairwoman recognized the public for comments on the following:

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman and Mr. B. Hebert, “THAT, the Council continue with the regular order of business.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

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The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Barbara Dupre, Sandra St. resident, who expressed her concerns relative to the ditches in the area being dug too deep, too wide, hold water and needing to be addressed before their neighborhood floods. She also expressed her concerns relative to a ditch behind the subdivision that needs to be cleaned out and she was told by the Drainage Division that there was no road to get to it, which is not an acceptable excuse.

Councilman C. Voisin stated that he has discussed the situation with Ms. Dupre and he feels the biggest problem is the drainage canal in the back of the subdivision that needs to be cleaned out. He stated he is certain that if TPCG has a right-of-way there must be a way to get to it. He stated that he instructed the Public Works Director to look into the situation and find a way to get to the canal if that is the problem.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Mickey Fonseca, Magnolia St. resident, who expressed appreciation to the Council and Administration for getting the Transit Bus System available on weekends and holidays.
The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Reggie Bourg, Bourg resident, who stated that when areas in the northern portions of the parish flood, when the water is pumped and drained it goes south in the Grand Caillou/Dulac area. He expressed his concerns that the Morganza to the Gulf will place the Grand Caillou/Dulac area in a contained system and will not have pumps to pump the water out the system. He stated that he was unable to attend a Terrebonne Levee & Conservation District Meeting this past Monday and was not aired on TPTV so the public will not be able to find out what was addressed. He suggested that TPCG not fund projects with the Levee Board until they have a policy of airing their meetings on TPTV.

Councilman K. Voisin stated that there are parts of the Morganza to the Gulf Project that will have pumps. He stated that the problems with the recent rain event was attributed to not only a 100-year flood event, but also that it happened at the same time the Atchafalaya Basin was at a very high level.

Parish President M. Claudet explained that TPCG does have a “gavel to gavel” policy for airing meetings, there was a Levee District Meeting that did not get filmed gavel to gavel and maybe that is the reason the last one was not aired.

Councilman C. Voisin explained that the Morganza to the Gulf Project will have several locks and gates that will have to be actually opened and closed at certain times.

Councilman P. Lambert stated in reference to the Boudreaux Canal Weir, TPCG is responsible for maintaining proper navigation.

Councilwoman T. Cavalier stated that there are many boards in the Parish that are not required to air their meeting on TPTV.

Councilman J. Cehan stated that projects that need to be repaired as Morganza to the Gulf is constructed will continually need to be maintained and repaired until the system is completed.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Reggie Bourg, who expressed his concerns relative the excuse of not airing the Levee Board meeting because it was not filmed gavel to gavel, the audio could have been used to inform the public. He stated that other boards in the Parish are not spending ¼ billion dollars of taxpayers money.

- The Chairwoman recognized the following individuals from the public who expressed their concerns with drainage/flooding issues in their area, particularly with the recent heavy rain event that occurred on March 26:
  - Mr. Robert Cesner, Lake Crescent Circle – their subdivision is in a “bowl”, a better monitoring system or an extra standby pump is needed, and a schedule for cleaning the storm drains
  - Mr. O’Neil Mabile, Lake Crescent Circle – received four inches of water in his residence, the need for a levee tied in from the old railroad tracks paralleling Savanne Road, crossing Pelto and going into the canal where the pump is located
  - Mr. Matt Whitney, Melody Dr. – Sherwood Park Subdivision’s longtime problem with street flooding and recently flooded homes, something needs to be done to properly drain rain water and stop the backflow of storm surge from flooding East Houma
  - Councilman K. Voisin stated that the problem with pumping early is that everyone who borders the lake starts to lose ten to twenty feet of their yard and each time it is done can cause collapsing. He stated that he was informed that the pumps were functioned all night on March 26 and they did not fail until the water was already receding.
  - Mr. Matt Whitney, Melody Dr. – Sherwood Park Subdivision’s longtime problem with street flooding and recently flooded homes, something needs to be done to properly drain rain water and stop the backflow of storm surge from flooding East Houma

Councilman A. Tillman stated that the problems with residents in east Houma flooding due to Bayou Chauvin has been a long standing problem, has been worked on for many years and is still being worked on. He stated that one recommendation is additional reservoir space, which is being at this time.
Parish President M. Claudet stated that it has already agreed upon for additional reservoir space with about 40 acres in the Woodlawn Ranch Road pump station. He stated that there is a major problem in the Moffet Road area due to a bridge that restricts in that area. He cited subdivisions that were affected by backwater from other areas that are being looked into.

Councilman J. Cehan stated that he is hoping the additional reservoir space will help the drainage problems in the east Houma area.

- Mr. Rudy Bergeron, North Bayou Black Dr., thanks and praise to government forces for their assistance after the last hurricanes and recent rain event that caused flooding
- Mr. Reginald Landry, Mire St. – 1st time flooded, requested to please put emphasis on relieving Broadmoor area from flooding and put it as a priority
- Dwain Guerin, Mire St. – 1st time flooded, a twelve-foot ditch going down to a forty-eight inch culvert to the St. Louis Canal not being able to handle the flow of water and something needs to be done, such as a pump being installed, to alleviate the problem
- Mr. Frank Robert, Bayou Gardens Dr., 2nd time flooded, fourteen inches of water in his residence, doesn’t feel that the preparedness for the recent rain event was not what it should have been that was well forecasted three days prior

Ms. T. Cavalier moved, seconded by K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council extend his time an additional minute”.

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. T. Cavalier.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

- Mr. Frank Robert continued with his comments regarding the recent rain event in which he received fourteen inches of water in his residence

Upon questioning by Councilwoman T. Cavalier, Public Works Director G. Bush stated that the 1-1B pump station was pumped down prior to the rain event. He stated that he does not believe that the blockage at the culvert that was discovered at Bayou Gardens and St. Louis would have affected them getting the pumped out affect, but he will look into it. He stated it is his understanding the pumping down began two days ahead of time.

Upon further questioning by Councilwoman T. Cavalier, Public Works Operations Manager P. Blanchard stated that the two pumps on St. Louis Canal at the end of Kenney St. are electric pump that pump the system down to a zero and when the water level gets to a one it goes into the 1-1B system. He said the pumps that the pump were on when he went there at 3:00 a.m. March 27.

Councilwoman T. Cavalier encouraged Bayou Gardens residents, when they see the major intersection for their drainage blocked, to call and report it and to remind Parish forces to get prepared when a heavy rain event is forecasted.

Councilman K. Voisin expressed his concerns relative to the litter problem in the parish causing drainage problems and the need to stop tolerating it. He also recommended not to push grass clippings in the storm drains.

Councilman P. Lambert stated that during Hurricane Ike, the Bayouside Dr., Crochetville, the LaCache Basin, was pumped down and it save many residences from flooding. He said that even though he doesn’t represent the 1-1B area, he has received many calls saying that the level was too high and maybe it could have been pumped down more prior to the rain event.
Ms. Lorie Moreau, Funderburk Ave., 2nd time flooded within eight months, was supposed to move back into home Saturday, but now has to start over, main problem she sees people in Broadmoor have been allowed to close in their ditches, lost all of her furniture because it was stacked in the room that got six inches of water

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council allow Ms. Lorie Moreau an additional minute.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. B. Hebert.  
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:  
YEAS:  C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin  
NAYS:  None  
ABSENT:  None  
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Ms. Lorie Moreau continued her comments regarding her frustration with the flooding of her home for the second time in the last eight months

Ms. Lydia Pickering, Funderburk Ave., got water in her home with the recent rain event, the land in Broadmoor sinking, suggested a pump further up be placed to pump water the water into Bayou Terrebonne instead of the middle of the subdivision, has to replace floors and furniture in her house

Ms. Cheri Navarre, Mire St., all the water draining from the front of the Subdivision to the middle, a ditch in the back of her house that fills with rain to the top every time it rains and takes days before it goes down

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, “THAT, the Council extend Ms. Cheri Navarre’s time an additional minute.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. B. Hebert.  
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:  
YEAS:  C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin  
NAYS:  None  
ABSENT:  None  
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Ms. Cheri Navarre continued her comments regarding the need to address the drainage problems the residents in Broadmoor recently experienced

Councilman B. Hebert expressed his sincere apologies to the residents who recently experienced flooding, particularly in District 3. He stated that Broadmoor is a sixty year old subdivision and presents a unique set of problems. He stated that Administration has worked very hard with him to try to solve these problems, and the Parish President has mentioned authorizing a complete drainage study for Broadmoor to come up with solutions. He requested that recommendations from Administration on how to solve the flooding in Broadmoor, Lisa Park, Bayou Cane and Bayou Terrebonne be placed on every Public Works Committee agenda from here on and invited residents to attend to be a solution to the problems. He mentioned possible solutions that could be considered. He explained that a 100-year rain event means that there is a 1 in 100 chance of that occurring in that year. He recommended that everyone obtain flood insurance to protect their property and belongings until these problems can be corrected. He stated the he supports putting a floodgate in Bayou Terrebonne to help prevent the Intracoastal Canal from entering Bayou Terrebonne and backing the water up.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Jim Erny, Ashburn Dr., who stated he was involved with drainage for the parish twenty-five years. He stated that 1-1B was built after a major rain event. He stated that the gravity drainage system north of the Intracoastal Canal does not
function any longer and explained why he thinks it doesn’t. He also offered possible solutions such as looking into draining Broadmoor Subdivision into Lakes Houmas.

A discussion ensued relative to the drainage and flooding problems that were experienced in the Broadmoor, Bayou Cane, Lisa Park, and Bayou Terrebonne areas and the need to take action as soon as possible to address the problems.

Councilman B. Hebert requested Administration to include Westview Dr., Louis Dr., and Caverness Dr. areas in their in-house drainage study.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. B. Hebert, “THAT, the Council take a 5-minute recess.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. K. Voisin.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS:  J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, and K. Voisin
NAYS:  C. Voisin and J. Pizzolatto
ABSENT:  None

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Council convened back to the regular order of business.

The Chairwoman continued recognizing the following individuals from the public who expressed their concerns with drainage/flooding issues in their area, particularly with the recent heavy rain event that occurred on March 26:

- Mr. Ed Jackson, Main St. - Bayou Terrebonne flooding from HLB High School to the Mall, debris accumulating near bridges on Bayou Terrebonne prohibiting the flow of water

- Mr. Brent Boquet, Lillian Marie Dr. – Wallace J. Thibodaux Subdivision being at thirteen foot elevation and he almost got water into his house that is not completed yet

Councilwoman T. Cavalier stated that Public Works will be coming back to the Council’s Public Services in two weeks with recommendations for the drainage issues in Wallace J. Thibodaux Subdivision.

The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Jeannie Bray, Engineer, who stated that Bayou Blue does have some culvert issues which are being evaluated to be addressed.

Councilwoman T. Cavalier stated that she has requested answers, calculations and this situation to be figured out to address the problems.

- Mr. Michael Campbell, Eureka Dr., - the subdivision drains into the CCC Drainage Canal and obstructions that have been there since the hurricanes, but recently partially cleaned out, better maintenance needed in the canal

Ms. T. Cavalier moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council extend Mr. Michael Campbell’s time an additional minutes.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. T. Cavalier.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS:  C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS:  None
ABSENT:  None

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

- Mr. Michael Campbell continued his comments regarding the CCC Canal needing to be better maintained to get the debris out for proper drainage flow
Ms. Suzanne Bramlett, Royce St. resident and property owner – subdivision never flooded until the drainage ditches were dug about ten to twelve years ago under Alcide St. and the drainage was never adequate since, her house flooded for the 1st time, about eight houses in the area flooded, the CCC ditch that came into existence in the 1930’s and Southern Estates, the Parks are being allowed to drain into there and all the blockages causing the water to go to Royce St. subdivision

The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Jeannie Bray, Engineering, stated that there is an ongoing project for the CCC ditch that hopefully will delivered in May that changes out the bridge structures and enlarges the capacity under the structures. She stated the second project is adjacent to the Allemand St. Subdivision that is in the stages of being designed and will go into the construction phase soon. She stated that these two projects directly contribute to the drainage issues and will hopefully will fix some of those problems.

Councilwoman T. Cavalier stated that the CCC ditch is the main artery for the aforementioned subdivisions and every time Planning approval is sought they claim they will drain into the CCC ditch. She stated that as bad as Hurricane Katrina was, sales tax revenues have been up ever since and projects are able to be funded. She stated the only project she was able to afford her first year in office was to get the CCC ditch snagged and cleared. She stated that with additional development in Southern Estates, every time it rains the CCC ditch overflows. She stated that it really needs to be dug out and widened.

Upon questioning by Chairwoman A. Williams, Public Works Director G. Bush stated that the NRCS approval will include removal of blockages along the CCC ditch and will make every effort to get it done before the beginning of hurricane season.

Chairwoman A. Williams relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chairman J. Pizzolatto.

Mr. Charles Bass, Levron St. – A study that was done about five years ago for Bayou LaCarpe that was divided into about four parts and a business section being chosen to be done instead of the residential area, Levron St. being in a basin area, the need to prohibit grass clippings and trash from being put into storm drains, Bayou LaCarpe needing to be dug out, Tunnel Blvd. an evacuation route and was unpassable with the recent rain event

Chairwoman A. Williams stated that she witnessed grass clippings on top of storm drains from the Deweyville area all the way to the back of Levron St. She stressed the need to address this matter to keep the storm drains clean. She stated that a pump will be added to the Magnolia St. area to address some of the drainage problems.

The Vice-Chairman recognized Public Works Director G. Bush, who stated that a new pump station is being planned for the Magnolia St. area with three pumps, possibly four and a new conveyance system is being considered, which would give two pump stations plus the new conveyance system. He said one additional pump has already been completed which gives 33% more capacity to the system. He stated that currently there is a contractor working now near the Morrison building to help improve the conveyance system.

Chairwoman A. Williams requested G. Bush to contact Mr. Charles Bass regarding other concerns he has and she would be happy to sit it on the meeting.

Parish President M. Claudet invited anyone wanting to meet with Public Works personnel to discuss drainage/flooding issues to meet with him outside the meeting room.

The Chairwoman called for a report on the Budget & Finance Committee meeting held on 4/6/09, whereupon the Committee Chairman, noting that ratification of the minutes calls public hearings on 4/22/09, rendered the following:

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
The Chairman, Billy Hebert, called the Budget & Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with the Invocation led by A. Tillman and the Pledge of Allegiance led by J. Cehan. Upon roll call, Committee Members recorded as present were: T. Cavalier, J. Cehan, B. Hebert, P. Lambert, J. Pizzolatto, A. Tillman, C. Voisin, K. Voisin, and A. Williams. A quorum was declared present.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman and Ms. A. Williams, “THAT, the Budget & Finance Committee authorize the Parish President to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Community Development – Disaster Recovery Unit to implement a grant under the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program through the Parish – Implemented Recovery Program.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.
SECONDED BY: Mr. P. Lambert and Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-163

WHEREAS, bids were obtained by the Administration Office of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council for the purpose of purchasing one (1) New Hydraulic Track Excavator (Purchase Order Number 10967) and,

WHEREAS, after careful review by the Parish Administration it has been determined that the total price of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand, Nine Hundred Eighty-four Dollars and Zero Cents ($216,984.00) from Quest Construction Equipment for the purchase of two (2) New Hydraulic Track Excavators should be accepted as per the attached documents and the under provisions set forth in the Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 39:1701 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the Parish Finance Department has verified that funds are budgeted and available for the purchase of the aforementioned hydraulic track excavator, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has recommended the acceptance of the price for the aforementioned purchase from Quest Construction Equipment at a cost of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand, Nine Hundred Eighty-four Dollars and Zero Cents ($216,984.00) as per the attached documents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the recommendation of the Parish Administration be approved and that the purchase of the two (2) New Hydraulic Track Excavators be accepted as per the attached documents.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.
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RESOLUTION: Concurring with the recommendation approving the State Contract purchase of stationary type generators.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan.  
(MOTION OFFERED AND ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

Chief Finance Officer Jamie Elfert stated that one of the generators is a 60 KW three-phase diesel electronic generator.

Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that the generators are being purchased from the State Contract List with a State grant and that Administration was more concerned with the voltage, kilowatts, and phasing. He added that Administration could provide information with respect the rpm’s for the generators.

Mr. J. Cehan moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, the Budget & Finance Committee retain the matter relative to the purchase of two (2) new hydraulic track excavators until Wednesday’s Council meeting.”

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush stated that approximately $650,000.00 in grant funding was received from the State; that the following departments would receive generators: Houma Police Department (1), Public Works Division (2), and other departments would receive generators; and that Senior Planner Jennifer Gerbasi handled the grant and generator purchase.

Committee Member C. Voisin noted his previous request for a generator for the Government Tower Building to power the second floor A/C unit during storm events.

In response to questioning, Interim Parish Manager Patrick Gordon stated that a permanent generator for the Government Tower Building was not included in the aforementioned generator purchase; that Administration is deliberating whether or not to obtain a portable generator with quick connects to power the building during storm events; and that the generators would be placed on standby and readily accessible for use.

Committee Member C. Voisin requested that Administration provide the Council with information relative to how many generators will be purchased, where the generators will be placed, the cost of each generator, the rpm’s, life expectancy, and maintenance.

**The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Cehan.  
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED: 
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: None.  
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. K. Voisin.  
SECONDED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-164

A Resolution introducing an Ordinance to declare vehicles, computers and other miscellaneous equipment from the Animal Shelter, Customer Service, Drainage, Finance, Fire, LSU Extension, Health Unit, Houma Police, Pollution Control, Port Commission, Registrar of Voters, Roads & Bridges, and Utilities Departments as surplus as described in the attached Exhibit “A” and authorizing said items to be disposed of by public bid, negotiated sale, junked or any other legally approved method.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby introduce an ordinance which will declare the attached Exhibit “A” as surplus and authorizes the Parish President to dispose of said items by public bid, negotiated sale, junked or any other legally approved method, and that a public hearing on said matter be called for Wednesday,
April 22, 2009 at 6:00 o’clock p.m.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING:
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Budget & Finance Committee introduce an ordinance to amend the 2009 Adopted Budget and the 2009 Adopted Budgeted Positions to recognize funding for the Public Transit System from the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development for the Weekend and Holiday Transit Bus Schedule, and call a public hearing on said matter on Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSENT:  None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, there being no further business to come before the Budget & Finance Committee, the meeting be adjourned.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSENT:  None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Billy Hebert, Chairman

Suzette Thomas, Minute Clerk

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman, “THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Budget & Finance Committee meeting held on 4/6/09.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. B. Hebert.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS:  C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS:  None
ABSENT:  None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY:  Mr. B. Hebert.
SECONDED BY:  Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-165

WHEREAS, prices were obtained through the Louisiana State Commodity Catalog by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for the purpose of purchasing Stationary Type Generators for various departments under State Contract (407627), and

WHEREAS, after careful review by the Parish Administration it has been determined that the total purchase should not exceed One Hundred Fifty-five Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifty-two Dollars ($155,852.00) from Emergency Power Systems, Inc. for the purchase of Generac Stationary Type Generators should be accepted as per the State Contract Catalog, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Finance Department has verified that funds are available for the purchase of the aforementioned generators, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has recommended the acceptance of the price for the aforementioned generator purchases at a total cost not to exceed of One Hundred Fifty-five Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifty-two Dollars ($155,852.00) as per attached State Purchasing Contract Catalog.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the recommendation of the Parish Administration be approved and the purchase of the stationary type generators be accepted as per the attached forms.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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The Chairwoman called for a report on the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee meeting held on 4/6/09, whereupon the Committee Chairman rendered the following:

POLICY, PROCEDURE, & LEGAL COMMITTEE

APRIL 6, 2009

The Chairwoman called for the vote on the motion offered by Ms. T. Cavalier.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Utilities Director Tom Bourg stated that Administration has reviewed TPTV programming and is open to suggestions with respect to such. He noted possible concerns with allocating specific time frames for various programs and the potential of some programs extending beyond the established time frame.

Parish President Michel Claudet noted that TPTV telecasting functions have been moved to the Government Tower Building on the 7th Floor; that staff is in the process of being trained to operate the telecast system; and that future upgrades are pending. (NO ACTION TAKEN)

Interim Parish Manager Patrick Gordon explained the nuisance abatement process with respect to warning, citing, and addressing nuisance violations. He then provided statistics with respect to the number of nuisance complaints within the Parish and added that most violators comply with nuisance regulations after being issued a warning.

Committee Member K. Voisin requested that Administration investigate the possibility of increasing nuisance violation penalties in the following increments: $250.00, $500.00, and $1,000.00.
Committee Member A. Williams supported the aforementioned comments and requested that consideration also be given to changing the warning, then citation, period to a 5-day warning period and citation.

Parish Attorney Courtney Alcock interjected that the maximum penalty that may be enforced by the Parish is $500.00 unless changed by legislative action. She noted the possibility of citing individuals $250.00, $500.00, and then criminal enforcement.

Committee Member K. Voisin requested that the State Legislative Delegation be sent a letter requesting closure of the “loophole” with respect to tall grass violations on properties sold through tax sales in that a lien must be authorized in order for a purchaser to recoup any fees associated with maintaining property prior to full title being granted.

Committee Member J. Pizzolatto explained that his primary concerns are those properties that do not have utilities and that have been vacant for 2 to 3 years.

Committee Member A. Tillman expressed his support of nuisance guidelines, but cautioned the Committee with respect to mandating certain guidelines for vacant structures.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Ms. T. Cavalier, “THAT, the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee direct Administration to investigate and submit a recommendation with respect to amending current nuisance abatement guidelines to address penalties, the State law tall grass ‘loophole’, fencing, and vacant structures that do not have utilities.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. K. Voisin.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, “THAT, there being no further business to come before the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee, the meeting be adjourned.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. A. Tillman.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Clayton J. Voisin, Chairman

Suzette Thomas, Minute Clerk

Mr. C. Voisin, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman, “THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee meeting held on 4/6/09.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. C Voisin.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman called for a report on the Public Services Committee meeting held on 4/6/09, whereupon the Committee Chairman, noting that ratification of the minutes calls a public hearing on 4/22/09, rendered the following:

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE  
APRIL 6, 2009

The Chairman, Joey Cehan, called the Public Services Committee meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with the Invocation led by Ms. A. Williams and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. B. Hebert. Upon roll call, Committee Members recorded as present were: T. Cavalier, J. Cehan, B. Hebert, P. Lambert, J. Pizzolatto, A. Tillman, C. Voisin, K. Voisin, and A. Williams. A quorum was declared present.

Airport Commission Director Earl Hicks addressed the committee relative to the condition of Aviation Road; requested consideration of improving said roadway utilizing stimulus funding; and thanked the everyone for a quick response to repairing the roadway in the meantime. He offered assistance in preparing a grant to repair the roadway. (NO ACTION TAKEN)

The Chairman recognized Terrebonne Parish School Board Member Roosevelt Thomas who was present in the audience.

OFFERED BY: Ms. T. Cavalier.  
SECONDED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-166

A resolution providing for the acceptance of work performed by Fordice Construction Company, in accordance with the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Modeling & Improvements of the 1-1B System Channels - Phase 2 (Six Foot Ditch at La 182 Northward to the Intersection of St. Louis Canal with CCC Ditch), Parish Project No. 01-DRA-40, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated August 20, 2008 with Fordice Construction Company, for Modeling & Improvements of the 1-1B System Channels - Phase 2 (Six Foot Ditch at La 182 Northward to the Intersection of St. Louis Canal with CCC Ditch), Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, work performed under the contract has been and inspected by authorized representatives of the Owner, Engineer, and Contractor and found to be substantially complete, and

WHEREAS, the Engineer for this project, T. Baker Smith, Inc., recommends the acceptance of the substantial completion, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby accept the work performed in accordance with the contract and specifications in accordance with the Certificate of Substantial Completion, effective as of the date of recording of this resolution, and does authorize and direct the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages of Terrebonne Parish to note this acceptance thereof in the margin of the inscription of said contract under Entry No. 1304559 of the Records of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, T. Baker Smith, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be recorded in the office of
the Clerk of Court of Terrebonne Parish to commence a 45-day clear lien period, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administration is authorized to make payment of retainage upon the presentation of a Clear Lien Certificate.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSTAINING:  None.
NOT VOTING:  None.
ABSENT:  C. Voisin.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that striping is part of the project scope and would be included in the next contract for said project.

Committee Member J. Pizzolatto requested that Administration place rip-rap along the shoulders of St. Louis Canal extending toward LA Highway 182.

OFFERED BY:  Mr. P. Lambert.
SECONDED BY:  Mr. B. Hebert.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-167

A resolution providing for the ratification of the appointment by Parish President Michel Claudet of the firm of Shaw Coastal, Inc. to provide engineering services for the Lower Ward 7 Levee Project, and also authorizing Parish President Michel Claudet to execute the appropriate engineering contract documents for this project.

WHEREAS, Terrebonne Parish is desirous improving the levee in the Lower Ward 7 Levee Area, and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government would like to proceed with the design and construction of this project, and

WHEREAS, Parish President Michel Claudet has recommended that the firm of Shaw Coastal, Inc. be retained to provide the necessary professional services for this project, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the Parish President Michel Claudet be ratified and that the engineering firm of Shaw Coastal, Inc. be retained to provide the necessary professional services for the Lower Ward 7 Levee Area and that Parish President Michel Claudet be authorized to execute any and all documents with said firm for this project.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSTAINING:  None.
NOT VOTING:  None.
ABSENT:  J. Pizzolatto.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Parish President Michel Claudet explained that when elevations along the Ward 7 Levee were shot, some of the elevations were lower than 6 feet and that in order to build the elevations up to 8 feet, contract documents and engineering must be performed
Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that Shaw Coastal, Inc. would survey cross sections to increase the levee elevation to 8 feet; that as the levee settled, it expanded causing a 5 to 6 foot elevation at the top; and that a new engineering firm has to design cross sections and prepare the specifications and contract documents. He continued that the decreased elevation may be attributed to settlement; that his office could consult with the previous engineering firm to determine why the elevations decreased; that Shaw Coastal, Inc. was selected because the firm performed work on other areas of the levee; and that Administration would prefer that only one engineering firm be used to complete the work.

OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.
SECONDED BY: Mr. K. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-168

A resolution to allow the public transit division to lease advertisement space on public transit assets

WHEREAS, TPCG provides transit buses, bus shelters and benches for the convenience of bus passengers, and

WHEREAS, some of these bus shelters and benches can provide advertising venues which can assist with the funding of the urban transit system, and

WHEREAS, the leasing of these advertising venues require a contractual agreement with various entities, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government as follows:

Section 1. That the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, (TPCG) hereby authorizes the transit division in accordance with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations to lease advertisement space on buses, bus shelters and benches.

Section 2. TPCG allows Parish President to designate signature authority for Revenue contracts of less than $9,999.99.

Section 3. The 2009 Lease Rate Schedule is approved along with the ability to adjust the price schedule without further approval during inflation but not to exceed 5% a year.

Section 4. That the Parish President or his designee is hereby authorized to execute an agreement for the leasing of space on the public transit division buses, bus shelters and benches to various entities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish President or his designee is hereby authorized to take any other actions necessary to give effect to this resolution.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Public Works Direct Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that advertisement space will be selected via “first come, first served” basis; that the price schedule has been included in the agenda backup information; and that the contract is a standard contract.
Parish Attorney Courtney Alcock stated that the Legal Department has reviewed the contract; that the services will be handled in-house; and that the services are in compliance with Federal guidelines.

In response to questioning, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush stated that the Transit Department has hired a maintenance employee who handles grass cutting, trash pick-up, and maintenance. He added that all advertisement functions would be handled internally.

Transit Assistant Administrator Yolanda Scott-Reed stated that the Advertisement Committee reviews advertisements; that advertisements to sell alcohol or tobacco would be prohibited; and that the Advertisement Committee consists of five Parish employees from various departments.

Committee Member A. Tillman requested that Administration clear the large pile of trees near the Prospect Street and Main Street transit shelter as soon as possible.

OFFERED BY: Mr. K. Voisin.
SECONDED: Unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-169

A Resolution authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 (Balancing) for the Construction Agreement for Modeling & Improvements of the Forced Drainage Project 1-1A Drainage Improvement - Phase 6; (Bayou Cane Improvement); Parish Project No. 06-DRA-47, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated August 8, 2008, with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc, Recordation Number 1303776, for the Forced Drainage Project 1-1A Drainage Improvement - Phase 6; (Bayou Cane Improvement); Parish Project No. 06-DRA-47, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, a change order is necessary to balance the original contract quantities to final quantities required for the completion for the above referenced project, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order is necessary in order to decrease the overall contract price by $472.18, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order No. 1 (Balancing) has been recommended by the Engineer, T. Baker Smith, Inc., for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby approve and authorize the execution by Terrebonne Parish President Michel Claudet of Change Order No. 1 (Balancing) to the construction agreement with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc. to perform construction services for the Forced Drainage Project 1-1A Drainage Improvement - Phase 6; (Bayou Cane Improvement); Parish Project No. 06-DRA-47, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana for a decrease in the amount of Four Hundred Seventy Two Dollars and Eighteen Cents ($472.18) to the contract amount, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, T. Baker Smith, Inc.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that the “gap” on the bridge was created in order to allow equipment to access the area for grading and that the “gap” would be closed once the project is completed.

OFFERED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.
SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-170

A resolution authorizing the execution of Balancing Change Order No. 1 for the Construction Agreement for Parish Project No. 08-LANE-09; Country Drive Right Turn Lane, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated November 19, 2008, with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc., for the Country Drive Right Turn Lane, Parish Project No. 08-LANE-09, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to balance contract quantities to actual ones installed, and

WHEREAS, this change order will increase the contract by $7,622.76, and

WHEREAS, this change order will increase the contract time by 14 days, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order No. 1 has been recommended by the ENGINEER for this project, T. Baker Smith, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby approve and authorize the execution by Terrebonne Parish President Michel Claudet of Balancing Change Order No. 1 to the construction agreement with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc., to adjust contract quantities to actual ones installed for an increase of Seven Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Two Dollars and Seventy Six Cents ($7,622.76) to the original contract amount and increases the construction time by fourteen (14) days, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, T. Baker Smith, Inc.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that two additional pay items were included in the project scope due to two “guyed wires” being removed from an existing power pole within Entergy’s right-of-way and work related to relocating an existing water meter that crossed two different properties. He noted that an inspection was complete and the punch list items have been completed. Upon additional questioning, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush further explained that Administration was informed of the two “guyed wires” and that Entergy offered the Parish the options of completing the work utilizing contractor services, or awaiting a time when Entergy could perform the services.

OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.
SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin and Mr. A. Tillman.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-171
A Resolution authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 for the Construction Agreement for Parish Project No. 07-DRA-11, Barataria Avenue Roadway and Drainage Rehabilitation, Phase 2 (Canal Street Improvements & Little Bayou Black Bulkhead), Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated December 1, 2008, with Sealevel Construction, Inc., for the Barataria Avenue Roadway and Drainage Rehabilitation, Phase 2 (Canal Street Improvements & Little Bayou Black Bulkhead), Parish Project No. 07-DRA-11, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order has been recommended so as to add Item S-007 (Repair Existing CMP Pipe at Station 10+57) for the above referenced project, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order will add seven (7) contract days to the contract, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order is necessary in order to increase the overall contract price by $14,570.00, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order No. 1 has been recommended by the Engineer, GSE Associates, Inc., for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby approve and authorize the execution by Terrebonne Parish President Michel Claudet of Change Order No. 1 to the construction agreement with Sealevel Construction, Inc., Inc. to perform construction services for Barataria Avenue Roadway and Drainage Rehabilitation, Phase 2 (Canal Street Improvements & Little Bayou Black Bulkhead), Parish Project No. 07-DRA-11, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana for an increase in the amount of Fourteen Thousand, Five Hundred Seventy Dollars and No Cents ($14,570.00) to the contract amount and to increase the contract time by an additional seven (7) days, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, GSE Associates, Inc.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that the aforementioned authorization is attributed to an unforeseen circumstance in that the concrete pipe’s connection to the corrugated metal pipe attached to the building had to be removed, and that the new pipe had to be cut into two parts in order to fit into the area and connect to the concrete pipe. He noted that the corrugated pipe had rusted and needed to be replaced.

OFFERED BY: Mr. K. Voisin.
SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-172

A resolution authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 3 for the Construction Agreement for Parish Project No. 03-DRA-15; State Project No. 576-55-0021, Concord Road Drainage Improvements Phase III, Flood Control Improvements, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract
dated May 13, 2008, with Low Land Construction Company, Inc., for Concord Road Drainage Improvements Phase III, Flood Control Improvements, Parish Project No. 03-DRA-15; State Project No. 576-55-0021, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, this change order provides for the addition of a roll up door and additional piping work not included under the original contract as described in Change Order No. 3, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the contract price by $18,333.44 due to the addition of these items, and

WHEREAS, it is also necessary to increase the contract time by 40 days, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order No. 3 has been recommended by the Engineer for this project, GSE Associates, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby approve and authorize the execution by Terrebonne Parish President Michel Claudet of Change Order No. 3 to the construction agreement with Low Land Construction Company, Inc., for additional work for an increase of Eighteen thousand Three Hundred Thirty Three Dollars and Forty Four Cents ($18,333.44) to the original contract amount and increases the contract time by an additional 40 days, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, GSE Associates, Inc.

THERE WAS RECORDED:


NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that the aforementioned change order includes a contract credit of $9,790.00; and that all three pumps would be placed on the same fuel system.

OFFERED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.
SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-173

A Resolution authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 2 for the Construction Agreement for Parish Project No. 08-IKE-44, Hurricane Ike Levee Repair, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated January 12, 2009, with Civil Construction Contractors, LLC, Recordation Number 1313419, for the Hurricane Ike Levee Repairs, Parish Project No. 08-IKE-44, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order has been recommended so as to clean the overgrowth and dead marsh grass on the two (2) east Mayfield Levees as described on the attached Change Order No. 2 for the above referenced project, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order is necessary in order to increase the overall contract price by $23,618.00, and
WHEREAS, this Change Order No. 2 has been recommended by the Engineer, Gulf South Engineers, Inc., for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby approve and authorize the execution by Terrebonne Parish President Michel Claudet of Change Order No. 2 to the construction agreement with Civil Construction Contractors, LLC, to perform construction services for Hurricane Ike Levee Repair, Parish Project No. 08-IKE-44, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana for an increase in the amount of Twenty-Three Thousand, Six Hundred Eighteen Dollars and No Cents ($23,618.00) to the contract amount as described in Change Order No. 1; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, Gulf South Engineers, Inc.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that the original project scope did not envision the enormous amount of marsh grass on top of the levees; that the intent was to push away the marsh grass on the unprotected side of the levee and make repairs; however, the contractor identified 2 to 3 feet of overgrown marsh grass on top of the levee; that the additional marsh grass cutting was beyond the initial scope of the contract; and added that Administration recommends approval of the change order. Upon questioning, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush stated that the original project intent was to restore the damaged areas by scouring the area in cubic yardage. He continued that the contractor had to determine that there were no hazardous materials in the marsh grass prior to pushing the grass off the levee.

OFFERED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.
SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-174

A resolution providing for the acceptance of work performed by Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc., in accordance with the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Country Drive Right Turn Lane Project, Parish Project No. 08-LANE-09, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated November 19, 2008 with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc., for the Major Turning Lane Improvements, Parish Project No. 08-LANE-09, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, the work performed has been inspected by authorized representatives of the Owner, Engineer, and Contractor and found to be substantially complete, and

WHEREAS, the Engineer for this project, T. Baker Smith, Inc., recommends the acceptance of the substantial completion,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby accept the work performed, effective as of the date of recording of this resolution, and does authorize and direct the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages of Terrebonne Parish to note this acceptance thereof in the margin of the inscription of said contract under Entry No. 1310334 of the Records of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, T. Baker Smith, Inc., and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court of Terrebonne Parish to commence a 45-day clear lien period, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administration is authorized to make payment of retainage upon the presentation of a Clear Lien Certificate.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

OFFERED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.
SECONDED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-175

A resolution authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 for the Construction Agreement for Parish Project No. 08-LEV-41, State Project No. 576-55-0023, Upper Ward 7 Levee Reconstruction Phase 2A; Emergency Phase: North of Bayou Neuf to South Central Blvd., Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated December 4, 2008, with Phylway Contractors, Inc., for the Parish Project No. 08-LEV-41, Upper Ward 7 Levee Reconstruction Phase 2A; Emergency Phase: North of Bayou Neuf to South Central Blvd., Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, this change order has been recommended so as to make increases and decreases in various contract quantities for the above referenced project, and

WHEREAS, this change order is necessary in order to decrease the contract price by $155.00 and add 29 additional days to the contract time, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order No. 1 has been recommended by the ENGINEER for this project, Shaw Coastal, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby approve and authorize the execution by Terrebonne Parish President Michel Claudet of Change Order No. 1 to the construction agreement with Phylway Contractors, Inc., to perform construction services for Parish Project No. 08-LEV-41, State Project No. 576-55-0023, Upper Ward 7 Levee Reconstruction Phase 2A; Emergency Phase: North of Bayou Neuf to South Central Blvd., which for a decrease in the amount of One Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars and No Cents ($155.00) to the original contract amount and to add 29 additional days to the contract time, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, Shaw Coastal, Inc.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Committee Member T. Cavalier informed the Committee of drainage issues in the newly developed Wallace Thibodaux/Southern Estates Subdivision noting a “dip” in the middle portion of the subdivision; that residents were unable to exit the subdivision after a recent rain event due to water pooling in the middle of the subdivision; and the possibility of the CCC ditch attributing to the flooding in said subdivisions.

Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that Administration would investigate the drainage concerns and that the subdivision was constructed in compliance with tail water specifications.

The Chairman recognized Mrs. Becky Becnel of Sugar Plum Boulevard who stated that rain water entered her garage during the last rain event; that lots beyond the first block of Sugar Plum flooded and that Sugarland Boulevard flooded from the front portion to the middle portion of the roadway.

Committee Member T. Cavalier reiterated her previous concerns with respect to flooding in the new subdivisions.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush noted flood concerns in Bayou Blue and requested additional time to come back with a recommendation to resolve the flood issue in thirty days. He added that Administration is considering the placement of flap gates in the subdivision.

Committee Member T. Cavalier requested that Administration investigate the flood concerns in Wallace Thibodaux/Southern Estates Subdivision and present a recommendation in thirty days. (NO ACTION TAKEN)

Committee Member T. Cavalier requested postponement of the matter relative to the importance of the CCC Ditch to the overall drainage system in the Parish until Wednesday’s Council meeting so that residents could be present to discuss the matter.

Committee Member A. Williams inquired about drainage concerns on Hedgeford Drive due to trees blocking the drainage flow.

Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush explained the reason why trees have not been removed from the drainage artery along Hedgeford Drive noting NRCS and FEMA prohibited tree removal until all required documents have been obtained, otherwise the work would not be reimbursable. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush stated that Administration received the appropriate documentation today; that the project would be let for bids; that specifications would be devised; and that every attempt would be made to clear the obstruction prior to hurricane season. (NO ACTION TAKEN)

Committee Member B. Hebert noted some confusion with respect to introducing an ordinance to establish a “No Parking Zone” on both sides of Bristol Boulevard, suggested that no action be taken on the Bristol Boulevard matter, and requested consideration of an ordinance to introduce the “No Parking Zone” on Alma Street. (NO ACTION TAKEN)

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, “THAT, the Public Services Committee add on to the agenda the matter relative to creating a ‘No Parking Zone’ along the western side of Alma Street at the front of Southwood Estate Subdivision near its intersection with Bristol Boulevard.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. B. Hebert.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairman called for comments from the general public; there were none.

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, “THAT, the Public Services Committee close the public comment period on the matter relative to creating a ‘No Parking Zone’ along the western side of Alma Street.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. B. Hebert.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, “THAT, the Public Services Committee introduce an ordinance to create a ‘No Parking Zone’ along the western side of Alma Street along the frontage of Southwood Estate Subdivision near the intersection of Bristol Boulevard and Alma Street, and call a public hearing on said matter on April 22, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. B. Hebert.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Committee Member A. Williams expressed her concern with respect to Phases C and D of the Bayou LaCarpe Drainage Project and requested an update on the project.

Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush explained that the Bayou LaCarpe Drainage Phase C Project has been divided into several phases; that Phase A, the M&L Pump Station improvements, increased the pump capacity by approximately 33% at a cost of $1,500,000.00; that a recommendation was made to redesign the Baroid Pump Station; that major problems occurred in trying to redesign the Baroid Pump Station so Administration has been actively investigating the possibility of placing the pump station on Magnolia Street – cost $5,000,000.00; that a steel sheet wall has been constructed in Bayou Black adjacent to the Barataria Pump Station; that the drain line improvements have been completed near Morrison Lumber Store – cost $7,014,000.00; and that the Magnolia Pump Station would include two pump stations.

Discussion ensued relative to trash affecting the drainage capabilities of the pump stations.

Committee Member A. Williams suggested that consideration be given to fining businesses contributing to littering drainage arteries.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush suggested educational awareness of maintaining debris free drains.

Committee Member A. Tillman requested that Administration consider utilizing cameras to determine if debris is blocking the drainage flow in Parish drains. Mr. Tillman requested photos of the Bayou LaCarpe Watershed.
Committee Member A. Williams requested that Administration submit a report with respect to water flowing into Bayou Black. (NO ACTION TAKEN)

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, the Public Services Committee add on to the agenda the matter relative to appointing an engineering firm to provide services for major turn lane projects in Terrebonne Parish.” (**MOTION ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

Parish President Michel Claudet noted the importance of approving the authorization to appoint T. Baker Smith to provide engineering services for the major turn lanes due to State deadline submission dates.

Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush explained that Administration was recently made aware of funding deadlines for stimulus funding for transportation projects at the last Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting.

Discussion continued with respect to the urgency in approving the engineering appointment.

**The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Pizzolatto.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSENT:  None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairman called for public comments; there were none.

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams and Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Public Services Committee close the public comment period on the matter relative to appointing T. Baker Smith, Inc. to perform engineering services for the Major Turn Lane Project funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Voisin.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSENT:  None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.
SECONDED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-176

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the Parish President’s appointment of T. Baker Smith, Inc. to perform professional engineering services for the Major Turn Lane Project funded through the “American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009” is hereby ratified; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish President is authorized to execute a professional services agreement with said firm.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS:  None.
ABSTAINING:  None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, there being no further business to come before the Public Services Committee, the meeting be adjourned.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. B. Hebert.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Joe Cehan, Chairman

Suzette Thomas, Minute Clerk

Mr. J. Cehan moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Public Services Committee meeting held on 4/6/09.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Cehan.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman called for a report on the Community Development & Planning Committee meeting held on 4/6/09, whereupon the Committee Chairman, noting that ratification of the minutes calls public hearings on 4/22/09, rendered the following:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE
APRIL 6, 2009

The Chairman, A. Tillman, called the Community Development & Planning Committee meeting to order at 8:06 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with the Invocation led by Ms. T. Cavalier and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. B. Hebert. Upon roll call, Committee Members recorded as present were: T. Cavalier, J. Cehan, B. Hebert, P. Lambert, J. Pizzolatto, A. Tillman, C. Voisin, K. Voisin, and A. Williams. A quorum was declared present.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Roger Bourgeois of Creole Drive who inquired about the proposed change to the “badge re-entry” procedures; noted the success, in his opinion, of the Terrebonne Parish Sheriff’s Office procedure last year; and questioned the liability/indemnification clause in the proposed agreement with the Terrebonne Economic Development Authority’s (TEDA) “Badge Re-entry Distribution Plan.”

Committee Member J. Pizzolatto noted the necessity of indemnifying the Parish in the event business owners and residents choose to re-enter the Parish under unsafe conditions after a State of Emergency has been declared.

Terrebonne Economic Development Chief Executive Officer Michael Ferdinand explained the proposed “Badge Re-entry Distribution Plan” noting reasons for indemnifying the Parish during a State of Emergency. He also noted that the plan would allow for the orderly re-entry of business owners/workers after a State of Emergency has been declared.
Discussion transpired with respect to the Sheriff’s Office re-entry placard cost and re-entry procedure.

For clarification, Committee Member A. Williams noted that the Sheriff’s Office re-entry placard program was advertised in the local journal and established a method of identifying those residents that lived in the lower areas of the Parish.

Parish Attorney Courtney Alcock stated that the Parish Legal Department, in conjunction with Mr. Jimmy Dagate, Attorney-at-Law, reviewed the proposed intergovernmental agreement. She noted that the “badge re-entry program” would only be activated by the Parish President or his designee during a State of Emergency; that the program would continue as long as there was a State of Emergency; that the program could be introduced without Council consideration, but was presented as a courtesy; and that the program is part of the Parish’s Hurricane Preparedness Plan.

Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Director Earl Eues stated that a plan is necessary for the orderly re-entry into the Parish after a State of Emergency has been declared; that TEDA volunteered to implement the plan because of its business expertise; that the plan is based on the State Trooper’s re-entry plan; and that the proposed plan would eliminate the necessity of requiring business employees from having to present a letter on the business’ stationary in addition to having a company marked vehicle. Mr. Eues noted a recent incident in which a car drove into an uncovered manhole during a recent storm event and the necessity of having an indemnification policy.

Additional discussion transpired with respect to the Sheriff’s Office placard re-entry program.

OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Pizzolatto.
SECONDED BY: Mr. B. Hebert.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-177

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT AND THE TERREBONNE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE BADGE RE-ENTRY DISTRIBUTION PLAN

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14 of the Louisiana Constitution provides that “[f]or a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation or individual”; and

WHEREAS, Section 1-07 of the Terrebonne Parish Charter provides “the parish government is authorized, as provided by state law, to enter into joint service agreements or cooperative efforts with other governmental agencies and political subdivision”; and

WHEREAS, in the light of recent experiences following Hurricanes Gustav and Ike, Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government (“TPCG”) desires to establish a re-entry program or procedure into Terrebonne Parish following storm events or other emergency evacuation events; and

WHEREAS, TPCG and the Terrebonne Economic Development Authority (“TEDA”) desire that a cooperative endeavor be formed and executed by and between themselves as a demonstration of their common interest for facilitating the timely re-entry of essential response and recovery personnel, government officials, property owners, business owners, and media, etc., in order to expedite the recovery of Terrebonne Parish and its economy; and

WHEREAS, TPCG believes that entering into this Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with TEDA for the stated purposes will serve a public purpose and have a public benefit commensurate with the costs.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government that the Parish President, Michel Claudet, is hereby authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Terrebonne Parish Economic Development Authority, containing substantially the same terms as those set out in the attached agreement, in order to establish and provide for the administration of a “Badge Re-entry Distribution Plan,” for the purposes of facilitating re-entry into Terrebonne Parish following storm events or other emergency evacuation events.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-178

WHEREAS, following a public hearing held at a meeting of the Terrebonne Parish Council on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government on February 9, 2009, it was ordered that the mobile home located on real property having a physical address of 126 St. Louis Street, Houma, Louisiana, belonging to the Estate of Lester Freeman and Mrs. Anna Freeman, was condemned and ordered demolished according to law, and

WHEREAS, in accordance therewith, a certified copy of the Motion recognizing said action was recorded March 4, 2009, at COB 2140, folio 563, Entry number 1316909, Terrebonne Parish Clerk of Court’s office, and

WHEREAS, the owner(s) or assigns have satisfactorily demolished and removed the mobile home from the property, and it is appropriate to have the previous order of condemnation revoked and rescinded.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government that the order of condemnation previously issued by the Terrebonne Parish Council on February 9, 2009, for the mobile home located on the property designated as 126 St. Louis Street, Houma, Louisiana, having a legal description of:

Lot Thirteen (13) of Cenac and Wurzlow Subdivision, as per a plan thereof made by S. J. Achee, Jr., Surveyor, under date of June 4, 1913, which is on file in the Clerk’s Office and recorded in C.B. 62, folio 397, said lot measuring sixty (60’) feet front on the east side of St. Louis Street, by depth between parallel lines of one hundred thirty-five (135’) feet, more or less,

is hereby revoked, rescinded, and satisfied, including any encumbrances associated therewith, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Parish President Michel Claudet is authorized to sign a REVOCATION AND RESCISSION OF CONDEMNATION ORDER, to be properly recorded with the Terrebonne Parish Clerk of Court’s office.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. K. Voisin.
SECONDED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-179

A RESOLUTION INTRODUCING AN ORDINANCE TO REVOKE THE DEDICATION OF PUBLIC PASSAGE AND RETAIN A UTILITY SERVITUDE ON THE SURFACE OF “HANNA CLAIR DRIVE,” MULBERRY ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PHASE “M,” AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON SAID MATTER.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that an ordinance be introduced which will revoke the dedication of public passage and retain a utility servitude on the surface of “Hanna Clair Drive,” Mulberry Estates Subdivision, Phase “M” as depicted on the attached plat, prepared on March 27, 2009 by Kenneth L. Rembert Land Surveyors titled “Survey of Revised Lot 16, Block 13, Mulberry Estates Subdivision, Phase ‘C’”; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission has no objection to this request conditioned the lots are dissolved and the street be converted to a private driveway; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing on said ordinance be called for Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded unanimously, “THAT, the Community Development & Planning Committee introduce an ordinance approving the acquisition packet for 7155 Shrimpers Row and obligating the necessary funding for said acquisition and calling a public hearing on said matter on April 22, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.”

Discussion transpired relative to the actual offer being made to acquire the aforementioned property.

Interim Parish Manager Patrick Gordon stated that Administration could determine the correct offer amount and present said information at Wednesday’s Council meeting.

Committee Member C. Voisin requested that the matter not be delayed due to the residents waiting a long time to complete the process.

Committee Member T. Cavalier expressed her concern with respect to the correct offer amount being included in the proposed resolution.

Parish Attorney Courtney Alcock stated that the Council could revisit the matter at Wednesday’s Council meeting if the resolution were adopted tonight.
Council Clerk Paul Labat suggested, if the figures were actually transposed, that the matter be pulled from the minutes prior to ratifying the Committee minutes on Wednesday and revisit the matter at that time.

As a matter of clarification, Committee Member K. Voisin noted that it appears that the appraisal value and the offer amounts were inadvertently transposed in the proposed resolution and suggested the adoption of an amended resolution to reflect the correct figures.

OFFERED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.
SECONDED: Unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-180

A RESOLUTION GIVING NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF STRUCTURES AND LAND UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH HURRICANE RITA HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP), PROJECT NO. 1603-109-0001; TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECT ACQUISITION; AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON SAID MATTER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2009 AT 6:30 P.M.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, in the implementation of its Hurricane Rita Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Project No. 1603-109-0001, has executed all necessary documents with the following property owners to acquire all structures and lands located at the address and for the amount stipulated below:

Owner(s): Mr. Archie and Mrs. Lola Dufrene
Address: 7155 Shrimper’s Row
          Dulac, LA 70353
Appraised Value: $84,034.00
Offer Amount: $60,450.00
Legal Description: Lot 6-B as shown on the attached survey.

WHEREAS, the above listed property owners have agreed to the offer to purchase the amounts stipulated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community and Development Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that notice is hereby given to adopt an ordinance to authorize the acquisition of structures and lands under the terms and conditions of the Terrebonne Parish Hurricane Rita Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Project No. 1603-109-0001; to authorize the Parish President to execute any and all documents necessary to effect acquisition; and calling a public hearing on said matter for Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.
SECONDED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.
RESOLUTION NO. 09-181

A Resolution authorizing the Parish President, Michel H. Claudet, to enter into an agreement with Options for Independence to provide case management services following Hurricane Ike.

WHEREAS, there are families that are in need of case management services; and

WHEREAS, case management is a requirement of the Disaster Housing Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, is committed to providing assistance to those families; and

WHEREAS, Options for Independence will report case management outputs and resident outcomes through Tracking-At-A-Glance (TAAG), the existing DHAP web-based tracking system; and

WHEREAS, the overall ratio of case managers to participants shall not exceed 1:50. Options for Independence will hire a sufficient number of case managers to meet the ratio requirement.

WHEREAS, Options for Independence is willing and able to provide Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government’s Housing and Human Services with case management services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government authorizes the Parish President, Michel H. Claudet, to enter into an agreement with Options for Independence for the case management of the residents in need of their services.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: C. Voisin.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Housing & Human Services Director Darrel Waire explained that the aforementioned case management services are being provided for Hurricane Ike disaster assistance; that the program is short-term assistance that will end in March of 2010; and that services are being provided to assist individuals with rental assistance and help them to become self-sufficient again. In response to questioning, Mr. Waire explained the monitoring process for those individuals receiving assistance.

OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.
SECONDED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-182

Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for a grant under 49 CFR 5311, Non-Urbanized Area Formula Program and/or 49 CFR 5309, Discretionary Capital Program.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation and Development is authorized to make grants for mass transportation projects;

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provisions by it of the local share of project costs;
WHEREAS, it is required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in accord with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements there under; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the Applicant that minority business enterprise be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and that definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority businesses shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment, or consultant and other services:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government:

1. That the Parish President is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, to aid in the financing of operating and capital assistance projects pursuant to the Rural Public Transit Program, 49 CFR 5311 and/or the Discretionary Capital Program, 49 CFR 5309.

2. That the Parish President is authorized to execute and file with such applications an assurance or any other document required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.

3. That the Parish President is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development may require in connection with the application or the project.

4. That the Parish President is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.

5. That the Parish President is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for aid in the financing of the operating or capital assistance projects.

6. This resolution is applicable for a period of one year unless revoked by the governing body and copy of such revocation shall be furnished to the DOTD.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
NOT VOTING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 6th day of April, 2009.

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Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, “THAT, there being no further business to come before the Community Development & Planning Committee, the meeting be adjourned.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. K. Voisin.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
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ABSENT: None.
The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Alvin Tillman, Chairman  
Suzette Thomas Minute Clerk

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. J. Pizzolatto, “THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Community Development & Planning Committee meeting held on 4/6/09.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. A. Tillman.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, the Council hold nominations open for two weeks for the expired terms of Mr. Ronald Boudreaux and Mr. Nolan Lirette on the Electrical Board of Adjustments.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Pizzolatto.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. P. Lambert moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, the Council accept the resignation of Mr. Raymond Stewart from the Recreation District No. 6 Board.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. P. Lambert.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. P. Lambert moved, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman, “THAT, the Council open nominations for two weeks the vacancy on the Recreation District No. 6 Board with the resignation of Mr. Raymond Stewart.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. P. Lambert.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, “THAT, the Council accept the resignation of Mr. Christopher Champagne from the Recreation District No. 11 Board and that Mr. Randy Galliano, II be appointed to fill the unexpired term.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Pizzolatto.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, “THAT, the Council request a written Ethics Commission opinion regarding a servitude needed for the 1-1B Project owned by his father, uncle, and grandfather, which would be a donation.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. K. Voisin.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Ms. T. Cavalier and Mr. J. Cehan, “THAT, the Council formally accept a petition from the residents of the Sugar Mill Courtyard-Choctaw Drive area which requests the installation of a “4-Way Stop” at said intersection, and refer the matter to the Public Services Committee for consideration on 4/20/09.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. K. Voisin.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS: C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.
SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-183
A resolution requesting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to provide for the restoration, stabilization and re-nourishment of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway shoreline between Mile marker 48.9 and Mile marker 57.

WHEREAS, the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway was authorized by Congress through the River and Harbors Act to provide an inland waterway for barge traffic between Apalachicola Bay, Florida and the Mexican Border, and

WHEREAS, the existing channel dimensions between the Mississippi and Atchafalaya Rivers are maintained by the Corps at 12’ deep by 125’ wide, and

WHEREAS, the waterway traverses an extensive low land area between Terrebonne Shipyard, L.L.C. (mile marker 57) and the Company Canal (mile marker 48.9) located in Bourg, L.A., and

WHEREAS, since the waterway has been open, the shoreline has continued to erode due to tidal action and the wave action of vessels navigating the waterway, and

WHEREAS, the degraded shoreline allows tidal waters to flood adjacent lands, thereby reducing the hydraulic gradient which prevents upland areas from properly draining, and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Council believes that a restored, stabilized and re-nourished shoreline would remedy this flooding condition that exists between Mile marker 48.9 and mile marker 57, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are hereby urged to request funding to provide for the restoration, stabilization and re-nourishment of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway shoreline between Miles marker 48.9 and mile marker 57; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Senator Mary Landrieu, Senator David Vitter and Congressman Charles Melancon are urged to provide the necessary funding to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to accomplish this project on behalf of the citizens of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

THERE WAS RECORDED:
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINING: None.
ABSENT: None.
The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2009.

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Mr. P. Lambert moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council introduce an ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 7622 (“No Parking” zone near 5515 Bayouside Drive), and calling a public hearing on said matter on 4/22/09 at 6:30 p.m.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. P. Lambert.
UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:
YEAS:  C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, J. Pizzolatto, and K. Voisin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Councilman A. Tillman requested that agenda items 5B1 (street lights in District 1) and 5B2 (drainage between Baker and Friendswood Drive and behind Odelia Street) be referred to the 4/22/09 council agenda.

Parish President M. Claudet announced that from April 20th to the 30th the Houma Navigation Canal Bridge will be closed 24/7. Tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. there will be tours of the Terrebonne Parish Jail.

No action was necessary on agenda item 7A – Information List.

Parish President M. Claudet gave a status report on the following matters:

- The posters in the meeting room for the Cleanest City Contest from St. Matthew Episcopal School
- Sales tax went up 31/2 % from last year
- Mineral Royals continue to drop
- Dulac Levees – north contract 56% complete and south contract 35% complete
- The importance of an accurate count on the Census for federal funding and can affect the congressional seat
- The HMGP elevation cap being raised

Interim Parish Manager P. Gordon explained that LRA and Road Home previously had $30,000. for individuals encouraging them to elevate their homes and since it cost so much, they have added an additional $100,000. He said if the individuals have flood insurance, they can utilize ICC funding, increased cost of compliance for an additional $30,000.

Councilman A. Tillman requested that Administration provide him with a count, placement, and anticipation of other FEMA mobile trailers being distributed.
Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan and Mr. B. Hebert, “THAT, the Council accept the following Monthly Engineering Reports:

A) Milford and Associates, Inc.
B) T. Baker Smith, Inc.
C) GSE Associates, Inc.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. A. Tillman.

**UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. J. Cehan moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, there being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting be adjourned.”

The Chairwoman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Cehan.

**UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted and the meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

VENITA H. CHAUVIN, MINUTE CLERK

ATTEST:

/S/ARLANDA WILLIAMS

ARLANDA WILLIAMS, CHAIRWOMAN
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL

/S/PAUL A. LABAT

PAUL A. LABAT, COUNCIL CLERK
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL