

**PROCEEDINGS**  
**OF THE**  
**TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**IN REGULAR SESSION**  
**AUGUST 11, 2010**

The Chairwoman, Arlanda J. Williams, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room.

Following the Invocation, offered by Councilman Kevin Voisin, and the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Ms. Suzette Thomas, the Minute Clerk called the roll. Upon roll call, Council Members recorded as present were: K. Voisin, C. Voisin, J. Cehan, P. Lambert, A. Tillman, A. Williams, B. Hebert, T. Cavalier, and J. Pizzolatto. A quorum was declared present.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. B. Hebert, "THAT, the Council approve the minutes of the Regular Council Session held on 7/14/10, as written."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. B. Hebert, "THAT, the Council approve the Parish Bill lists dated 8/2/10 and 8/9/10, as presented."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, "THAT, the Council approve the Manual Check List for June 2010."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Ms. T. Cavalier.

SECONDED: Unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-397

WHEREAS the use of illegal and prescription drugs and the abuse of alcohol and nicotine constitute the greatest threats to the well-being of America's children;

WHEREAS 15 years of surveys conducted by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University have consistently found that the more often children and teenagers eat dinner with their families the less likely they are to smoke, drink and use illegal drugs;

WHEREAS frequent family dining is associated with lower rates of teen smoking, drinking, illegal drug use and prescription drug abuse;

WHEREAS the correlation between frequent family dinners and reduced risk for teen substance abuse is well documented;

WHEREAS parents who are engaged in their children's lives – through such activities as frequent family dinners – are less likely to have children who abuse substances;

WHEREAS family dinners have long constituted a substantial pillar of family life in America:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Parish President and the entire Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby declare the fourth Monday of every September as "Family Day – A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children" and urges all citizens to recognize and participate in its observance.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

SECONDED: Unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-398

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Garden Club has earned a solid reputation for being a volunteer driven organization that tackles tough projects that are designed to better the Houma-Terrebonne community, and,

WHEREAS, members of the Garden Club have surveyed the community and chosen projects that are needed and are either unmet or partially unmet by other groups in the community and,

WHEREAS, the issue of recycling in the parish has been long discussed and the Terrebonne Garden Club decided to tackle the recycling efforts in parts of the parish as a means of removing trash and debris from roadsides and allowing further use of materials that would otherwise congest parish landfills, and,

WHEREAS, the recycling initiative of the Terrebonne Garden Club gathered much public support and the recycling bins must now be emptied on a frequent basis due to the general public's participation in the project, and

WHEREAS, the efforts of the Garden Club have been rewarded as the organization recently received a national award from the National Garden Clubs, Inc., which was presented at the Summer Board meeting of the Louisiana Garden Club Federation, Inc .

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 members of the Terrebonne Garden Club be congratulated for being recognized by the National Garden Clubs, Inc. for the club's active involvement in the Parish Recycling Program and that the club be commended for initiating this wonderful program.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Linda Brashear, member of the Terrebonne Garden Club, who thanked the Council for starting a recycling program; that 100% of the Garden Club members pledged to recycle; that books of evidence were submitted to the State of Louisiana, Deep South and the National levels, and noted that the Garden Club has won awards from Deep South and the National Association for recycling, littering and reclamation. In response to questioning, Ms. Brashear stated that education is the thing that makes recycling a success and that the Garden Club will continue to work with local schools to encourage reuse, recycle and reduce waste.

Committee Member T. Cavalier noted her continued effort to place a recycling bin in the Schriever area.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman and Mr. K. Voisin, "THAT, the Council introduce an ordinance to set the 2010 Property Tax Millages and call a public hearing on said matter on August 25, 2010 at 6:30 p. m."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Danny Picou, Hercules Carnival Club, who praised the Council for a job well done and for working with the carnival club with their community activities; presented a synopsis of the community activities that the Hercules Carnival Club holds annually to benefit various organizations; emphasized that the carnival club holds Mardi Gras safety training sessions for children; and then invited everyone to attend the Hercules Festival on the Bayou and Fishing Rodeo beginning Thursday, August 12, 2010 through Sunday, August 15, 2010. Mr. Picou noted that proceeds from the festival will be given to the Terrebonne Children's Advocacy Center and the Veteran's Memorial District Administration.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Justin Terrebonne, representative for the developer of Woodburn Estates Subdivision, who submitted a petition, signed by 50 residents representing 33 of 66 lots in subdivision, requesting the removal of a 3-Way Stop sign at the intersection of Woodburn Drive and Charenton Lane; and that the stop sign, in his opinion, was installed to prevent speeding in the subdivision and the visual impairment in the cul-de-sac as a result of overgrown vegetation.

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, "THAT, the Council accept the petitions 'for' the removal of a '3-Way' Stop at the intersection of Woodburn Drive and Charenton Lane, request the Planning & Zoning Department to investigate the aforementioned stop; and refer the matter to the Public Services Committee for consideration."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman recognized Mrs. Lucretia McBride of Eureka Drive, who requested that the Council be mindful of their comments due to the comments being part of the official record and requested that reconsideration be given to re-implementing the 5-minute public speaking comment period. She continued that, in her review of the Council meeting archive, the average speaker needs more than 5 minutes to discuss issues.

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman, "THAT, the Council grant Mrs. Lucretia McBride one additional minute to conclude her comments."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mrs. McBride continued to express her desire to continue the 5-minute public comment policy.

Discussion transpired relative to the vast majority of speakers being able to make their comments within a 3-minute public comment time limit.

The Chairwoman recognized a speaker card from Mr. Ross Harris of Charenton Lane, who deferred his comments until the August 25, 2010 Council meeting.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, "THAT, it now being 6:30 p.m., the Council open public hearings at this time."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman recognized the public for comments on the following:

A. A proposed ordinance to amend the 2010 Adopted Operating Budget for the following items:

British Petroleum Donation – \$4,987.00

Government Tower Roof Repairs - \$185,575.00.

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

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, "THAT, the Council close the public hearing on the proposed ordinance to amend the 2010 Adopted Operating Budget for the following items:

British Petroleum Donation - \$4,987.00

Government Tower Roof Repairs - \$185,575.00."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

SECONDED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

ORDINANCE NO. 7881

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2010 ADOPTED OPERATING BUDGET OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- I. British Petroleum Donation: \$4,987
- II. Government Tower Roof Repairs – FEMA: \$185,575

**SECTION I**

WHEREAS, British Petroleum is donating \$4,987 to promote parish pride and to engage citizens of Terrebonne Parish in a campaign to promote more responsible behaviors regarding litter along public roadways and waterways, and

WHEREAS, Administration wishes to put the \$4,987 in the Beautification Program Account to follow through with the intent of this donation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2010 Adopted Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government be amended for the Beautification Program Account. (Attachment A)

**SECTION II**

WHEREAS, FEMA PW #5423 has been obligated in the amount of \$206,195 and the Federal share is \$185,575, and

WHEREAS, the Parish’s share is already budgeted in the Government Building Department which is reflected in the Hurricane Gustav account, and

WHEREAS, the original scope of PW #5423 is to replace the roof deck of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> levels of the Government Tower Building, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2010 Adopted Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government be amended for the Government Tower Roof 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:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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AMENDMENT A - Beautification Program

	<u>2010</u>		
	<u>Adopted</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amended</u>
Beautification Program	146,168	4,987	151,155
Donations	(27,496)	(4,987)	(32,483)

AMENDMENT B - Government Tower Roof - FEMA

	<u>2010</u>		
	<u>Adopted</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amended</u>
Beautification Program	218,428	185,575	404,003
FEMA - Gustav	-	(185,575)	(185,575)

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The Chairwoman recognized the public for comments on the following:

B. A proposed ordinance to reinforce (Emergency) Ordinance No. 7821 declaring an emergency to effectuate the appropriation of funds from BP Exploration and Production, Inc. in accordance with an agreement to provide \$1,000,000.00 for the purpose of addressing the costs incurred by the Parish as a result of the Deepwater Horizon Offshore Oil Spill explosion.

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

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. J. Pizzolatto, "THAT, the Council close the public hearing on the proposed ordinance to reinforce (Emergency) Ordinance No. 7821 declaring an emergency to effectuate the appropriation of funds from BP Exploration and Production, Inc." (\*\*MOTION ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

Chief Finance Officer Jamie Elfert stated that the aforementioned ordinance expires in 60-days; that because the ordinance was adopted as an emergency ordinance, Administration is requesting that the ordinance be reinforced as a regular ordinance; that there is no time limit on the proposed ordinance; and that the balance of the BP Exploration and Production, Inc. should be reinforced.

Parish President Michel Claudet explained that emergency orders last for 30-days and renewed until such time as the emergency has ceased; that Administration has received notification that 400,000 to 1.4 million barrels of subsurface oil has not been accounted for; and that reinforcing the order will provide for addressing issues as they arise.

Parish Attorney Courtney Alcock stated that a State of Emergency is issued for tropical storms, hurricanes, etc. which are filed in the Courthouse; that a State of Emergency remains in effect for the aforementioned oil spill; that during the State of Emergency, whatever action is necessary can be taken to address the emergency; that Administration introduced an emergency ordinance to accept funding from BP Exploration and Production, Inc.; that emergency ordinances are adopted without public hearings and last only 60-days; and that in order to create a normal ordinance, Administration has to come back to re-introduce a regular ordinance.

Councilman C. Voisin inquired about the expenditures of the BP funds on the public and administrative fees.

Mrs. Elfert stated that \$500,000.00 has been spent on the administration of the BP spill inclusive of the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (OHSEP) Emergency Operation Center (EOC), accounting, and monitoring services by ES&H. She noted that she only receives an invoice for services rendered from ES&H.

Parish Manager Al Levron stated that the EOC submits daily report updates of which the services of ES&H is included in the update, which in turn are forwarded to the Council.

Councilman C. Voisin inquired about funding spent on the actual public.

Discussion transpired relative to oil spill related activities and services.

Councilman Voisin requested that Administration provide information with respect to the gross salaries of the employees handling the aforementioned oil spill activities.

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 7882

AN ORDINANCE TO REINFORCE (EMERGENCY) ORDINANCE NO. 7821 DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO R.S. 38:2212(d) AND SECTIONS 2-14, 5-04(b) AND 5-11 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER FOR THE TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT TO EFFECTUATE THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM BP EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION, INC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE \$1,000,000 FOR PURPOSES OF ADDRESSING THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE PARISH RESULTING FROM THE EXPLOSION AT THE DEEPWATER HORIZON OFFSHORE OIL SPILL.

#### SECTION I

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2010, Parish President Michel H. Claudet declared a State of Emergency to exist relative to the oil spill which started on April 20, 2010 in the Gulf of Mexico following a blowout on the Deepwater Horizon Offshore Drilling Rig (“the Event”) operating off the coast of Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, the containment and cleanup of the oil spill effecting the coastal reaches of Terrebonne Parish may be a massive undertaking in which Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government may need to take immediate action to assist in the oilfield responses, and

WHEREAS, Parish Administration will review and set priorities to meet a public emergency affecting life, health, property and the public peace and to immediately initiate the use of funds received from BP Exploration and Production, Inc. “BP” to take any necessary emergency actions related to the “Event”, and

WHEREAS, the Parish has entered into an agreement with “BP” to receive \$1,000,000 to pay or otherwise assist with certain costs related to the administration of the “Event” under the declared emergency, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Finance Department has established a separate account within the Coastal Restoration Fund (215-688) to record any and all expenditures incurred by the Parish for the administration of the “Event”.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that:

1. An extreme, public emergency, namely an unforeseen event bringing with it the destruction and injury to life or property, is hereby certified and declared to exist with respect to coastal and environmental damage caused by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill;
2. The Parish President is hereby authorized to expend and utilize those monies necessary, from the above emergency appropriation and in his discretion, for purposes of addressing the subject emergency, along with providing the Parish Council and “BP” with a report of all such actions on a bi-weekly basis. Attached is the latest report. (Attachment A)

#### SECTION II

To the extent applicable, the Council Clerk shall cause all necessary notices and publications to occur with respect to the subject ordinance.

#### SECTION III

If any section, part, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this ordinance should be declared invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or defect shall not affect the remaining sections, paragraphs, parts, sentences or clauses hereof and, to this end, the several provisions hereof are hereby 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:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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**ATTACHMENT A - BRITISH PETROLEUM REPORT**

BP Oil Spill Event  
Declaration of Emergency: May 9, 2010  
Expenditures Paid To Date: June 30, 2010

	<u>Paid To Date</u>
<b>Contracts</b>	
<b>ES&amp;H Consulting and Training Group</b>	
<i>Incident Management, a contract to provide personnel, supplies, resources, equipment, labor and material necessary to perform work as an environmental consultant and to provide management, on behalf Terrebonne Parish, in relations to the monitoring and assessment of the spread of oil and response efforts thereto in the Parish of Terrebonne in the aftermath of the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill according to agreed upon specifications in contract.</i>	297,196.00
<b>Kee Environmental - Administration of EOC and Event</b>	25,506.00
<i>Professional contract for the services of the Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.</i>	<hr/>
<b>Total Contracts</b>	<u>322,702.00</u>
<b>Personnel</b>	
<b>EOC/Administration/Support</b>	56,753.93
<i>Salaries and Fringe Benefits: Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, Housing and Human Services, Engineering, Finance, and any other department within the parish government, who provides for the support of the EOC Activities and whose time is charged specifically to the work performed in connection with the BP Incident.</i>	<hr/>
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<u>56,753.93</u>
<b>EOC Operations</b>	3,500.85
<i>Supplies and materials consumed during the administration of the event; food / drinks provided to National Guard, Coast Guard and staff on duty at the emergency operations center responsible for monitoring and reporting on the event.</i>	<hr/>
<b>Total Other</b>	<u>3,500.85</u>
<b>Total Expenditures To Date</b>	<u>382,956.78</u>



<b>RECAP</b>	
BP Contribution	1,000,000.00
Less Estimated Expenditures Incurred To Date	382,956.78
<b>Balance</b>	<b>617,043.22</b>

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The Chairwoman recognized the public for comments on the following:

C. A proposed ordinance to amend the 2010 Adopted Budget to provide funding for the LEPA combine cycle combustion turbine generating unit in the electric generation.

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

Mr. A. Tillman, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, "THAT, the Council close the public hearing on the proposed ordinance to amend the 2010 Adopted Budget to fund the LEPA combine cycle combustion turbine generating unit in the electric generation."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

SECONDED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

ORDINANCE NO. 7883

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2010 ADOPTED BUDGET SO AS TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE LEPA COMBINE CYCLE COMBUSTION TURBINE GENERATING UNIT IN ELECTRIC GENERATION.

SECTION I

WHEREAS, presently LEPA is providing Load Control and Other Services to the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government pursuant to the terms of an Agreement for Load Control and Other Services ("Load Control Agreement") as most recently amended on October 1, 2003; and

WHEREAS, LEPA and member municipalities of which TPCG is a member are desirous of amending the Load Control Agreement to develop a new combined cycle load following combustion turbine generating resource to meet their future generating needs; and

WHEREAS, based upon allocation of the funding responsibility for the Project Development Costs by the Interested Members, shared in relation to project participation, Houma's total expenditure for Project Development Costs is not anticipated to exceed \$684,000 to be paid in equal monthly installments of \$38,000 commencing in November, 2010 for a total of \$76,000 for this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, TPCG is desirous of maintaining the development schedule of the Project and agreeable to participating in monthly funding of the Project Development Costs and the source for the additional funding is from the Utilities Fund Net Assets.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2010 Adopted Budget and the Five-Year Capital Outlay

Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government be amended for the Load Control Agreement Amendment. (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:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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ATTACHMENT A - Load Control Agreement Amendment

			2010		
			Adopted	Change	Amended
LEPA	Combined	Cycle			
Project			-	76,000	76,000
Net Assets (Decrease)			N/A	(76,000)	N/A

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The Chairwoman recognized the public for comments on the following:

D. A proposed ordinance to amend the 2010 Adopted Operating Budget for a FEMA refund pending obligation for derelict vessel removals.

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

Chief Finance Officer Jamie Elfert stated that Administration has received funding for the FEMA derelict vessel removal.

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, "THAT, the Council close the public hearing on the proposed ordinance to amend the 2010 Adopted Operating Budget for a FEMA refund pending obligation for derelict vessel removals."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

SECONDED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.

ORDINANCE NO. 7884

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2010 ADOPTED OPERATING BUDGET OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT FOR A FEMA REFUND PENDING OBLIGATION FOR DERELICT VESSEL REMOVALS**

**SECTION I**

WHEREAS, upon obligation of funding from FEMA, two vessel removal projects will commence for two land-locked vessels located along Bayou Grand Caillou for \$41,700 and one barge in Bayou DeCade for \$55,000 for a total of \$96,700, and

WHEREAS, both projects are due to Hurricane Ike.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2010 Adopted Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government be amended for the FEMA reimbursement upon the obligation of the two vessel removal projects. (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:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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**ATTACHMENT A - Derelict Vessel Removal**

	2010		
	Adopted	Change	Amended
Derelict Vessels	582,274	96,700	678,974
FEMA	(653,565)	(96,700)	(750,265)

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Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, "THAT, the Council continue with the regular order of business, as per the written agenda."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman called for a report on the Budget & Finance Committee meeting held on 8/09/10, whereupon the Committee Chairman, noting that ratification of minutes calls public hearings on 8/25/10, rendered the following:

**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**AUGUST 9, 2010**

The Vice Chairman, Billy Hebert, called the Budget & Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with the Invocation led by K. Voisin and the Pledge of Allegiance led by J. Pizzolatto. Upon roll call, Committee Members recorded as present were: T. Cavalier, J. Cehan, B. Hebert, P. Lambert, J. Pizzolatto, C. Voisin, K. Voisin, and A. Williams. Committee Chairman A. Tillman was recorded as entering the proceedings at 5:37 p.m. A quorum was declared present.

The Vice Chairman noted that Committee Chairman A. Tillman was delayed in traffic.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, "THAT, the Budget & Finance Committee introduce an ordinance to amend the 2010 Adopted Budget and the 5-Year Capital Outlay to provide funding for:

I. Governor's Office of Homeland Security (2010) - \$27,763.00

II. Concrete Sections Phase II – Federal Stimulus Project - \$1,715,110.00

and call a public hearing on said matter on August 25, 2010 at 6:30 p.m."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: A. Tillman.

The Vice Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Chief Finance Officer Jamie Elfert stated that after review, Administration recommends keeping the 2010 Property Tax Millages the same the 2009 Property Tax Millages; that advertisement was published in July 2010; and that no action is necessary this evening due to the matter being scheduled for introduction at the Regular Council Meeting of August 11, 2010. (NO ACTION TAKEN)

Committee Chairman A. Tillman entered the proceedings at this time.

Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush explained that the fare boxes are being upgraded; stated that funding for the purchase of Transit Fare Boxes is being derived from Federal Stimulus proceeds; and noted that the fare boxes will account for all fares collected in addition to providing ridership numbers.

OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

SECONDED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-399

A resolution awarding #10-BUS-20 (2<sup>nd</sup> Rebid) Purchase of Transit Bus Fare Boxes to Diamond Manufacturing, Inc.

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2010 bids were received by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, Purchasing Division for Bid #10-BUS-20 (2<sup>nd</sup> rebid) Purchase of Transit Bus Fare Boxes for the Public Works Department (Transit Division), and

WHEREAS, after careful review by the Purchasing Division, Gregory Bush, Public Works Director and Wendell Voisin, Transit Administrator it has been determined that the bid received from Diamond Manufacturing, Inc. in the amount of \$50,000 for the should be accepted, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Finance has verified that funds are budgeted and available for said purchase, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has concurred with the recommendation that the bid of Diamond Manufacturing, Inc is the lowest qualified bid for #10-BUS-20 Purchase of Transit Fare Boxes for the Public Works Department (Transit Division), as per the attached bid forms.

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 Parish Administration be approved and the bid of Diamond Manufacturing, Inc. for the Purchase of Transit Bus Fare Boxes (Transit Division) in the amount of \$50,000.00 as per the attached bid forms.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that four (4) buses will be purchased for the Transit Division at a cost of \$330,000.00 per bus; that approximately \$1,300,000.00 has been allocated for the buses; that Federal Stimulus funding has been received for the purchase; that the new buses will be rotated in the fleet in order to increase the life span of the buses; and that the current buses measure 31 ft. and the new buses will measure 30 ft. He noted that in order to meet the time frame in which the funding must be expended, Administration chose to purchase the 30 ft. buses which are smaller than the current buses.

Chief Finance Officer Jamie Elfert stated that approximately \$1,318,216.00 has been allocated for the purchase of the buses.

OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Mr. K. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-400

A Resolution Awarding Bid #10-BUS-29 Purchase of Medium Sized (approx 30'), Heavy Duty, Low Floor Transit Buses for \$329,554.00 each to purchase up to four (4) buses for a total amount of \$1,318,216.00.

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2010 bids were received by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for #10-BUS-29 Purchase of Medium Sized (approx 30'), Heavy Duty, Low Floor Transit Buses for the Public Works Department (Transit Division), and

WHEREAS, after careful review by Purchasing Division, Wendell Voisin Transit Administrator and Gregory Bush, Public Works Director it has been determined that Gillig, LLC submitted the lowest qualified bid, and

WHEREAS, quantities stated are given as a general guide for bidding and are not guaranteed. Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government Transit Division intends to procure a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of four (4) transit coaches under this procurement, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Finance has verified that funds are budgeted and available for said purchase, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has concurred with the recommendation that the bid of Gillig, LLC is the lowest qualified bid for Bid #10-BUS-29 Purchase of Medium Sized (approx 30'), Heavy Duty, Low Floor Transit Buses for the Public Works Department (Transit Division), as per the attached bid forms.

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 Parish Administration be approved and the bid of Gillig, LLC for the Purchase of Medium Sized (30'), Heavy Duty, Low Floor Transit Buses for the Public Works Department (Transit Division) in the amount of \$329,554.00 each to purchase up to four (4) buses for a total amount of \$1,318,216.00 as per the attached bid forms.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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The Chairman assumed the chair and apologized for his delay.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 10-401

WHEREAS, bids were obtained by The Parish of Caddo for the purpose of purchasing one (1) new/unused Hydraulic Long Boom Excavator with Mower (2010 John Deere Long Front Excavator 240 DLC) (Purchase Order Number 2010-00100477) and,

WHEREAS, after careful review by the Parish Administration it has been determined that the total price of Two Hundred Thirty Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$232,500.00) from Doggett Machinery Services for the purchase of one (1) new/unused Hydraulic Long Boom Excavator (2010 John Deere Long Front Excavator 240 DLC) should be accepted as per bid 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 in the 2010 Account Number 252-351-8915-06 for the purchase of the aforementioned hydraulic long boom excavator with mower, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has recommended the acceptance of the price for the aforementioned purchase from Doggett Machinery Services at a cost of Two Hundred Thirty Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$232,500.00) as per bid 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 one (1) new/unused Hydraulic Long Boom Excavator with Mower (2010 John Deere Long Front Excavator 240 DLC) be accepted as per bid documents.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Public Works Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush explained that the long arm boom excavator also has a tree shredder and that the previous excavator burned up behind Ashland.

Purchasing Manager Angela Guidry stated that the aforementioned equipment will be purchased from Doggett Machinery Services; that the purchase is being "piggy-back" off of the Caddo Parish bid; that the contractor is located in St. Rose, LA and falls within the 50 mile radius provisions; that the budget amount of \$1,202,186.00 is the total amount in that particular account; and that the purchase amount is \$232,500.00.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 10-402

A resolution authorizing the Parish President to execute the Emergency Management Performance Grant - FY 2010 No. 2010-EP-E0-0058 from the Governor's Office of Homeland

Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) for operational expenses of the Terrebonne Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

WHEREAS, the Parish has received a grant from the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness in the amount of \$67,762.62, which the period of this grant expires May 31, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Parish agrees to apply said funds towards salaries or expenses related directly to the operations of the Parish's Office of Emergency Preparedness Department including the attendance of the Director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness at the annual Parish Director's Conference, which these expenditures were implemented in the original 2009 Adopted Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget & Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does authorize Parish President Michel H. Claudet to execute any and all documents relative to this grant.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-403

A resolution authorizing the Parish President to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Ouachita Parish Police Jury for the purpose of housing Terrebonne Parish juveniles detained in the Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Detention Center during evacuation events.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and the Ouachita Parish Police Jury seek to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to assist each other in housing delinquent youth during natural and man-made disasters requiring evacuation, and

WHEREAS, Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and its political subdivision, the Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Detention Center, and the Ouachita Parish Police Jury and its political subdivision, the Green Oaks Juvenile Detention Center are capable of providing services that are secure and safe for those juveniles housed in detention, and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Detention Center has had to evacuate its facility on several occasions during the last three years, and

WHEREAS, evacuation beds are getting more and more difficult to secure during such evacuation events, as more and more facilities on the Gulf coast are evacuating north.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the Parish President, Michel Claudet, is hereby authorized to sign and to execute all documents necessary to enter into this viable agreement for emergency housing between TPCG and the Ouachita Parish Police Jury and its political subdivision, the Green Oaks Juvenile Detention Center.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: K. Voisin.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Juvenile Detention Center Director Jason Hutchinson explained that in the past, Administration has utilized the services of 3 other juvenile facilities in the event of an emergency evacuation; that the 3 facilities will be available if needed; that the aforementioned request is to enter into an agreement with a fourth facility; that the fourth option allows for additional flexibility in the event a storm's path can't be determined; that the fourth option is located in eastern Louisiana (Monroe area); that some juvenile centers charge some do not charge; however, other facilities charge between \$130.00 to \$150.00 per day; that all of the facilities along the Gulf Coast are competing for space which limits options; and that by entering into an intergovernmental agreement give priority spacing to the Parish. Upon questioning, Mr. Hutchinson stated that the Parish will only be billed for the actual space needed; that there will be a zero cost to the Parish if the space is not used; and that Administration and City Court determine which detainees may be released to their parents.

Veteran's Memorial District Chairman Ken Royston presented the history of the creation of the Veteran's Memorial Park and Museum; that grants from the State have assisted in renovating and expanding the museum's collection; and that the museum has been operated by veteran volunteers. Mr. Royston continued that the museum is in need of expansion; a professional staff to operate and manage the facility; and that a bulkhead is need for Veteran's Park. He then requested consideration of allowing Parish voters to decide and fund a millage to fund Veteran related activities/expansion.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, "THAT, the Budget & Finance Committee direct the Bond Counsel to prepare the proper millage proposition to be presented to the Council and that the matter be considered at the August 25, 2010 Council Meeting to call an election." (\*\*MOTION ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

Council Clerk Paul Labat stated that he has checked with the Bond Commission and the Louisiana Secretary of State's Office; that there is sufficient time to place the matter on the ballot after the August 25<sup>th</sup> meeting; that other issues on the ballot include the Senatorial, Congressional, and Lieutenant Governor's races as well as several amendments to the State constitution; and that the cost of placing the matter on the election ballot would not be solely borne by one particular group.

Chief Finance Director Jamie Elfert stated that Administration would oversee and distribute the millage received in a manner similar to that of the Terrebonne Council on Aging and TARC. She added that the Veteran's Memorial District would be required to submit a budget to the Parish.

Committee Member J. Cehan requested that Administration provide an actuary value of the cost each homeowner would bear annually if the millage is approved.

Mrs. Elfert stated that she would have the information for Wednesday's Council meeting.

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, "THAT, the Budget & Finance Committee retain the matter relative to a presentation of the 2009 Audited Financial Statements of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government by Bourgeois, Bennett, LLC for two weeks."



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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-403A

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government recognizes the need to provide services to help eliminate poverty and promote self-sufficiency in the Parish, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Workforce Commission's Community Services Block Grant Program has announced the availability of \$285,029 to Terrebonne Parish to provide services for FY 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby authorize the Parish President, Michel H. Claudet, to sign and submit the Subgrant for the period from October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby authorize the Parish President, Michel H. Claudet, to execute any and all grant agreements, certifications, modifications, and documents necessary between Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and the Louisiana Workforce Commission resulting from approval of this Subgrant.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Mr. B. Hebert.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-404

A Resolution introducing an Ordinance to declare vehicles, motorcycles and miscellaneous equipment from the Human Resources, Police, Pollution Control, Transit & Utilities Departments as surplus as presented in Exhibit "A" to the ordinance, 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 Exhibit "A" to the ordinance 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, August 25, 2010 at 6:30 o'clock p.m.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Substitute Police Chief Todd Duplantis stated that the Police Department does not have a need for four motorcycles; that Administration intends to purchase two Harley Davidson motorcycles; and that the retaining the older motorcycles would mean incurring maintenance and insurance costs. He added that the new motorcycles will be used for training purposes; that the motorcycles have better safety features; and that the motorcycles offer better maneuverability.

Officer Patrick Theriot explained that he is a certified Harley Davidson and Northwestern University police motorcycle instructor. He noted that the Harley Davidson motorcycles provided for upright riding as opposed to swat/forward riding.

Purchasing Director Angela Guidry explained that each of the motorcycles being surplus will have minimum monetary bid value of \$3,500.00 and that the bids will be sealed bids. Mrs. Guidry continued that Unit 347 has 7,849 miles, Unit 348 has 13,000 miles, Unit 349 has 12,000 miles, and Unit 350 has 5,647 miles.

In response to questioning, Substitute Police Chief Duplantis stated if the police department did not have motorcycles, it would limit the traffic division in various enforcement situations. He noted that the units do not have a lot of miles because four motorcycles were not needed due to only two officers being certified to ride the motorcycles.

Chief Finance Director Jamie presented the bi-weekly BP/Deepwater Horizon expenditure report noting that as of July 31, 2010, approximately \$478,376.09 has been expended and that a balance of \$521,623.91 remaining in the BP/Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Fund.

Committee Member K. Voisin exited the proceedings at 6:15 p.m., just prior to adjournment.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. B. Hebert, "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:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: K. Voisin.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 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 Budget & Finance Committee meeting held on 8/09/10."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman called for a report on the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee meeting held on 8/09/10, whereupon the Committee Chairman rendered the following:

### **POLICY, PROCEDURE, & LEGAL COMMITTEE**

**AUGUST 9, 2010**

The Chairman, Johnny Pizzolatto, called the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee meeting to order at 6:19 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.

Committee Member T. Cavalier presented an update on the information obtained at the recent NACO Annual Conference in Nevada with respect to an “in-service” e-mail policy noting potential liable exposure if employees are not made aware of the electronic e-mail policy. She requested that Administration devise a policy and present it to the Committee at a future meeting.

Parish Manager Al Levron explained that the Parish has an e-mail policy of which employees with e-mail access sign-off on the communication policy each time they log on. He added that all new employees are briefed on the policy.

Committee Member T. Cavalier suggested that the Information Technology, Human Resources & Risk Management and the Legal Departments meet to devise an electronic communication and “in-service” policy for employees.

In response to questioning, Mr. Levron stated that the Parish’s electronic policy has been in effect for 5 years.

Council Clerk Paul Labat suggested that the “in-service” training be conducted annually at one of the Parish’s monthly safety meetings. (NO ACTION TAKEN)

The Chairman recognized Mr. Charles Bass of Levron Street, who expressed his dissatisfaction with the result of a recent meeting with respect to the actions of the Recreation District No. 11; suggested that those members who have served terms in excess of 5, 8, or 10 years be removed; and expressed his dissatisfaction with the Board taking over the job responsibilities of the Manager.

Committee Member A. Williams stated that allegations presented during the recent meeting with members of the Recreation Board of Directors warrants more than an Attorney General’s opinion and requested that the Committee consider action to request an Ethics ruling regarding the matters related to a recent bid of renovations at the East Houma Adult Softball Complex and the salaried employee receiving additional compensation from entities and persons utilizing the complex.

Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, “THAT, the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee request the Council obtain an Ethics ruling on several actions of the Recreation District No. 11 Board of Directors and a staff member and, dependent upon the ruling, the Legal Department advise if action could be taken to require the staff member repaying the funds to the Recreation District No. 11.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 10-405

A resolution rescinding Resolution No. 05-268 and re-establishing a policy so as to allow individuals to address the Terrebonne Parish Council and/or its committees in an orderly manner.

WHEREAS, in compliance with Section 2-07 E of the Home Rule Charter, which requires that the Terrebonne Parish Council to adopt a written policy to provide the general public a means of addressing the governing body, the Council adopted Resolution No. 05-267 in July of 2005, and

WHEREAS, the Council realizes that public comments are crucial to the democratic process and wishes to hear comments from the public in a timely and orderly manner, yet allow a mechanism so that the Chair may maintain control of the meetings, and

WHEREAS, the Council understands that the Chair of a meeting must have some flexibility in conducting a meeting, yet must follow certain rules of procedure for consistency within the government, and

WHEREAS, in the absence of a written policy on a specific issue, the Chair will utilize his or her discretion and Roberts Rules of Order as the official means of allowing public comments at official public meetings of the governing body and/or its committees.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Policy, Procedure and Legal Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that Resolution No. 05-268 be hereby rescinded and that the following policy be enacted for allowing members of the general public to address the governing body or its committees:

1. Each agenda of a regular meeting of the Terrebonne Parish Council shall have a section designated as "Public Wishing to Address the Council. Individuals shall be allowed to address committees at a time to be designated by the Committee Chair.
2. Anyone wishing to address the Council and placed on the agenda, shall either submit a short letter/Speaker Card, containing the name of the person(s) wishing to address the Council/Committee, the address or affiliation of the person, and the topic the person wishes to address, to the Council Clerk's Office OR contact the Council Clerk's Office by either telephone, FAX or email providing the previously stated information. The contact must be made six days prior to the meeting date.
3. Should the above mentioned time period not be met, a potential speaker may utilize the procedure set forth in Item 2 above OR complete a Speaker Card and, prior to the beginning of the meeting, present said form to the Council Clerk or to the Chair.
4. A Council member, at any time during a meeting, after being duly recognized by the Chair, may offer a motion to request the body to allow an individual to address the body. After adoption of the motion, the individual may be allowed to address the body.
5. A Council member, at any time during a meeting, after being duly recognized by the Chair, may request permission of the Chair to yield his/her time to an individual to address the Council on a specific topic or to answer specific questions.
6. The individual addressing the Council and/or Committee may address no more than two specific topics at a given time and must be limited to those topics for which he/she was recognized. The individual will be allotted ~~five (5)~~ **three (3)** minutes to express their views. The length of time allotted to the individual may be extended by motion of the Council or by permission of the Chair.
7. Under no circumstance may the public speaker yield his/her time to another individual so that the speaker may present another's viewpoints. The speaker

may, however, present to the body a written statement on the topic from another person, as long as the action is taken within the allotted **three-minute** time frame. The written viewpoint (or a summary thereof) will be contained in the official minutes of the meeting.

8. Exemptions from the above rules shall pertain to:
  - a. Elected officials from other units of government that are duly recognized by the Chair.
  - b. Individuals offering comments under the “public hearings” portion of the agenda.
  - c. Persons recognized by the Chair to address specific topics that are to be addressed by the body. (Examples: Detailed reports by engineers on exact drainage projects, financial records by auditors, project updates by State Government representatives, etc.)
  - d. Staff of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government presenting information to the Council/Committee.
9. Any issue regarding public addressing the Council not specifically covered above shall be addressed by the Chair utilizing Robert’s Rules of Order and his/her discretion.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “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 Ms. A. Williams.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Johnny Pizzolatto, Chairman

Suzette Thomas, Minute Clerk

Mr. J. Pizzolatto, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, “THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee meeting held on 8/09/10.”

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: A. Tillman.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman called for a report on the Public Services Committee meeting held on 8/09/10, whereupon the Committee Chairman, noting that ratification of the minutes calls a public hearing on 8/25/10, rendered the following:

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**AUGUST 9, 2010**

The Chairman, Joey Cehan, called the Public Services Committee meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with the Invocation led by T. Cavalier and the Pledge of Allegiance led by C. Voisin. 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.

OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Pizzolatto.

SECONDED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-406**

A resolution ratifying the award and authorizing the signing of the Construction Contract for State Project No. 742-55-0113, Federal Aid Project No. ARR-5510(501), Terrebonne Parish Concrete Section Repairs, Phase II, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana and authorizing the issuance of the Notice to Proceed to commence construction of said Project.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government recommends the State to award the bid for the Terrebonne Parish Concrete Section Repairs, Phase II, State Project No. 742-55-0113, Federal Aid Project No. ARR-5510(501), and

WHEREAS, Bids have been received to effect the above referenced project, and

WHEREAS, the firm of Forby Contracting, Inc. submitted the lowest responsible bid of \$1,715,110.00 to construct this project, and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government concurs with the State to authorize the award of the contract to the firm of Forby Contracting, Inc. and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has recommended the State accept the bid by Forby Contracting, Inc. in the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Fifteen Thousand One Hundred and Ten Dollars and No Cents (\$1,715,110.00), as per attached bid forms.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has provided sufficient funds to complete the project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that all bid items necessary for the completion of State Project No. 742-55-0113, Federal Aid Project No. ARR-5510(501), Terrebonne Parish Concrete Section Repairs, be awarded to the firm of Forby Contracting, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the concurrence with the State by the Parish Administration be ratified, and that the quote of Forby Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$1,715,110.00 be accepted as per attached bid forms, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Parish President be authorized to execute all necessary Contract Documents for the State to authorize Forby Contracting, Inc. to proceed with all necessary services for the completion of the project.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: C. Voisin.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush explained that the Department of Transportation and Development let the bid for the aforementioned arrow project; that he does not know where Forby Contracting, Inc. is located or where their headquarters is located; that the contractor is performing work on state and parish highways; and that the Parish Government was not allowed to participate in the bidding process.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 10-407

A resolution authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 6 for the Construction Agreement for Parish Project No. 08-LEV-41, State Project No. 576-55-0023, Upper Ward 7 Levee Reconstruction Phase 2B; North of South Central Blvd. to St. Louis Canal, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated December 7, 2009, with Civil Construction Contractors, LLC., for the Parish Project No. 08-LEV-41, Upper Ward 7 Levee Reconstruction Phase 2B; North of South Central Blvd. to St. Louis Canal, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, this change order has been recommended to cover four sections of exposed sewer force main, and

WHEREAS, this change order has been recommended to cover the cost of loading, hauling and disposing additional debris at station 426 + 00, and

WHEREAS, this change order is necessary in order to increase the contract price by \$22,667.60 and add 13 additional days to the contract time, and

WHEREAS, this Change Order No. 6 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. 6 to the construction agreement with Civil Construction Contractors, LLC., to perform construction services for Parish Project No. 08-LEV-41, State Project No. 576-55-0023, Upper Ward 7 Levee Reconstruction Phase 2B; North of South Central Blvd. to St. Louis Canal, which for an increase in the amount of Twenty-Two Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-Seven Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$22,667.60) to the original contract amount and to add 13 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:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 10-408

A resolution authorizing Change Order No. 7 to the Agreement between Owner and Contractor for the Project No. 09-LEV-24, Ashland Jail Protection Levee.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government did enter into a contract with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc., dated November 5, 2009 and recorded under Entry No.1334969 for Project No. 09-LEV-24, Ashland Jail Protection Levee, 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 \$29,503.21, and

WHEREAS, the Engineer for this project, Duplantis Design Group, PC recommends this Change Order No 7 (Balancing), and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby approve and authorize the Parish President Michel Claudet, to execute this Change Order No. 7 (Balancing) to the construction agreement with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc., to perform construction services for Parish Project No. 09-LEV-24, Ashland Jail Protection Levee, for a decrease in the amount of Twenty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Three Dollars and Twenty-One Cents (\$29,503.21) to the original contract amount, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, Duplantis Design Group, PC.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

SECONDED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-409

A RESOLUTION OBLIGATING THE NECESSARY FUNDING UNDER THE TERREBONNE PARISH FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM/HURRICANE RITA, PROJECT NO 1603c-109-0010 TO COMPLETE THE STRUCTURE ELEVATION CONDITIONED ON ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has been formally notified by FEMA that the Hurricane Rita Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Project No. 1603c-109-0010, can proceed with the mitigation of the following property:

Address: 915 Bayou Dularge Road  
Houma, LA 70363

Owned by: Aloysius Poiencot;

WHEREAS, under the administrative guidance of Higher Ground Flood Protection Services, the required "elevation packet" has been prepared and executed for the property owner and is



awaiting administrative review by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that, upon administrative clearance by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, the necessary funding under the Terrebonne Parish Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Program/Hurricane Rita, Project No. 1603c-109-0010 be hereby obligated to mitigate the property above.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Mr. K. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-410

A resolution authorizing a cooperative endeavor agreement with Terrebonne Revitalization Company, LLC ("TRC") providing for conveyance of property at 218 Hobson Street.

WHEREAS, Sec. 1-06 of the Home Rule Charter for the Parish of Terrebonne provides that parish government shall have the right, power and authority to pass all ordinances requisite or necessary to promote, protect and preserve the general welfare, safety, health, peace and good order of the parish, including, but not by way of limitation, the right, power and authority to pass ordinances on all subject matters necessary, requisite or proper for the management of parish affairs, and all other subject matter without exception, subject only to the limitation that the same shall not be inconsistent with the constitution or expressly denied by general law applicable to the parish; and

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, Article VII, Section 14(B) entitled "Authorized Uses", of the Louisiana Constitution lists ten specific instances of permissible use of public funds, one of which includes, "the use of public funds for programs of social welfare for the aid and support of the needy"; and

WHEREAS, TPCG has legal authority to pursue its governmental purpose of ensuring the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Terrebonne Parish, and this cooperative endeavor comports with that governmental purpose in that TPCG is selling the tract of land, which is no longer needed or used for a public purpose, to TRC for the purpose of providing decent, safe, and affordable housing in Terrebonne Parish; and

WHEREAS, TPCG currently owns a tract of land located on Hobson Street in Houma, Louisiana, which it once used as an electrical substation, but the tract of land is no longer needed for a public purpose of the TPCG nor is it being used; and

WHEREAS, TRC has presented a plan to the TPCG to buy and construct mixed income housing on the tract of land, in accordance with the required number of units to be determined by the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency or in accordance with the requirements of any organization, lender, or agency providing funding to the project to be constructed to be dedicated to affordable housing as defined by federal HUD standards; and

WHEREAS, TPCG believes it can substantially benefit housing availability for low to moderate income residents of Terrebonne Parish by selling the tract of land to TRC subject to the terms herein described; and

WHEREAS, TPCG finds that its expenditure or transfer in the sale of the subject tract located on Hobson Street, Houma, Louisiana to TRC for the purposes of TRC's construction of low to moderate income housing for the citizens of Terrebonne Parish, taken as a whole, is not gratuitous, and that it has a demonstrable, objective, and reasonable expectation of receiving at least equivalent value in exchange for the expenditure or transfer of its public funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that a cooperative endeavor agreement with Terrebonne Revitalization Company, LLC ("TRC") providing for conveyance of property at 218 Hobson Street, be and is hereby authorized; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Parish President Michel H. Claudet be, and he is hereby authorized to execute the cash sale provided for therein.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-411

A resolution ratifying the appointment of Parish President, Michel Claudet, to serve as Alternate Director representing the City of Houma on the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Energy and Power Authority ("LEPA").

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, governing authority of the City of Houma, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, that the appointment of Parish President, Michel Claudet, to serve as Alternate Director on the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Energy and Power Authority ("LEPA") representing the City of Houma be, and is hereby, ratified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Parish President and all other appropriate parties be, and they are hereby, authorized to execute any and all contract documents associated therewith.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

SECONDED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-412A

WHEREAS the closure of the Prospect Street Bridge has altered the normal flow of traffic in Terrebonne Parish and will continue to do so until the replacement bridge project is completed; and

WHEREAS the citizens of this parish have suggested numerous methods of minimizing the traffic problems which have been created by the temporary removal of this major traffic artery; and

WHEREAS currently, the traffic light in the southbound lane of Park Avenue, at its intersection with Prospect Street, allows vehicles to turn left when the "turn arrow" is in place, although southbound traffic is not allowed to move; and

WHEREAS, this failure to allow southbound traffic to move has regularly and frequently created traffic back-ups for several blocks; and

WHEREAS many more vehicles could be accommodated if the traffic light were adjusted to allow both the left turn arrow traffic and the southbound traffic to move simultaneously; and

WHEREAS local traffic planners seem to be in favor of a simple adjustment of the traffic light to allow a smoother and more efficient flow of traffic.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the entire Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development be requested to adjust the southbound traffic light on Park Avenue at its intersection with Prospect Street to allow the left turn arrow and the normal southbound traffic signal to operate simultaneously, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to all members of Terrebonne Parish's Legislative Delegation asking for their support of this request.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Committee Member J. Pizzolatto stated that a request was previously submitted to the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD); that the local DOTD office supported re-setting of the south bound traffic light at the intersection of East Park and Prospect Street; however, the Baton Rouge office of DOTD has refused to re-set the light; and then requested that the aforementioned resolution be sent Terrebonne Parish's Legislative Delegation and whomever would have authority to re-set the light in the interim period of the Prospect Street Bridge construction.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Pizzolatto, "THAT, the Public Services Committee introduce an ordinance to create a '4-Way Stop' at the intersection of South Moss and Cottage Drive and call a public hearing on said matter on August 25, 2010 at 6:30 p.m."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush stated that the Savanne Road and Louisiana Highway 311 turning lanes/arrows study should be completed within 2 to 3 weeks; that Department of Transportation & Development (DOTD) representative Dennis Hebert is performing the study; and that once the study is received, Administration will be allowed to take the appropriate action. In response to questioning, Mr. Bush stated that the Parish is prohibited from painting the lines on the roadway until the study is completed because the lights and lines must be aligned.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. C. Voisin, "THAT, the Public Services Committee retain the matter relative to the turning lanes/arrows at the intersection of Savanne Road and Louisiana Highway 311 in committee for two meetings."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Planning and Zoning Director Patrick Gordon stated that there is only one school along Valhi Boulevard and that a school zone sign is in place.

Committee Member K. Voisin interjected by asking if pre-schools are located at Lutheran Church and Houma Christian.

Mr. Gordon questioned whether or not a pre-school would be considered a school and then recommended placing a flashing school zone sign at Houma Christian School/Living Word Church due to a curve being located in the vicinity. He added that Administration would investigate the placement of a flashing school zone sign near the Lutheran Church and that a funding source would need to be identified for the signs.

Parish Manager Al Levron stated that typically flashing school zone signs are authorized on the Council's Street light list and charged to the respective Road Lighting District. He suggested that the matter be addressed accordingly.

Council Clerk Paul Labat suggested that the Committee adopt a motion directing Administration to install the appropriate flashing caution lights on the school zone signs along Valhi Boulevard and charge the appropriate Road Lighting District.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, "THAT, the Public Services Committee direct Administration to install the appropriate flashing caution light school zone signs along Valhi Boulevard and that the Urban Services District Road Lighting District be charged for said signs."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. C. 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. K. Voisin.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Joey Cehan, Chairman

Suzette Thomas, Minute Clerk

Mr. J. Cehan moved, seconded by Mr. B. Hebert, "THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Public Services Committee meeting held on 8/09/10."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: A. Tillman.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman called for a report on the Community Development & Planning Committee meeting held on 8/09/10, whereupon the Committee Chairman rendered the following:

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**AUGUST 9, 2010**

The Chairman, Billy Hebert, called the Community Development & Planning Committee meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with the Invocation led by J. Pizzolatto and the Pledge of Allegiance led by T. Cavalier. 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.

OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-412

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT-DISASTER UNIT FOR IMPLEMENTING A GRANT UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM THROUGH THE COMPREHENSIVE RESILIENCY PILOT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Terrebonne Parish has applied for \$222,200 Gustav/Ike Disaster Recovery Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the Competitive Comprehensive Resiliency Program for Phase III of Terrebonne Parish's Comprehensive Plan Update and the development of a floodplain ordinance amendment; and

WHEREAS, The Planning and Zoning Department has been notified that this competitive application has been approved for \$222,200 by the Office of Community Development Disaster Recovery Unit (OCD-DRU); and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, the Parish President is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Community Development-Disaster Unit for implementing a grant under the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program through the Comprehensive Resiliency Pilot Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish President is authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-413

A RESOLUTION OBLIGATING THE NECESSARY FUNDING UNDER THE TERREBONNE PARISH FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM/HURRICANE RITA, PROJECT NO 1603c-109-0010 TO COMPLETE THE STRUCTURE ELEVATION CONDITIONED ON ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has been formally notified by FEMA that the Hurricane Rita Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Project No. 1603c-109-0010, can proceed with the mitigation of the following property:

Address: 3311 Woodcrest Avenue  
Houma, LA 70363

Owned by: Wayne Unbehagen;

WHEREAS, under the administrative guidance of Higher Ground Flood Protection Services, the required "elevation packet" has been prepared and executed for the property owner and is awaiting administrative review by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that, upon administrative clearance by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, the necessary funding under the Terrebonne Parish Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Program/Hurricane Rita, Project No. 1603c-109-0010 be hereby obligated to mitigate the property above.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Cehan.

SECONDED BY: Mr. C. Voisin.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-414

A RESOLUTION OBLIGATING THE NECESSARY FUNDING UNDER THE TERREBONNE PARISH FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM/HURRICANE RITA, PROJECT NO 1603c-109-0010 TO COMPLETE THE STRUCTURE ELEVATION CONDITIONED ON ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has been formally notified by FEMA that the Hurricane Rita Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Project No. 1603c-109-0010, can proceed with the mitigation of the following property:

Address: 206 Sunny Acres  
Chauvin, LA 70344

Owned by: Cody Pitre;

WHEREAS, under the administrative guidance of Higher Ground Flood Protection Services, the required "elevation packet" has been prepared and executed for the property owner and is awaiting administrative review by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that, upon administrative clearance by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, the necessary funding under the Terrebonne Parish Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Program/Hurricane Rita, Project No. 1603c-109-0010 be hereby obligated to mitigate the property above.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-415

Resolution authorizing the Parish President to sign the Food Service Agreement between Terrebonne Parish School Board, and Terrebonne Parish Head Start, a program in the Department of Housing and Human Services within Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government.

WHEREAS, Terrebonne Parish School Board has expressed an interest in preparing and serving meals at five Terrebonne Parish Head Start sites, and

WHEREAS, the facilities of the Sponsor are not adequate for preparing and serving meals to children, the Sponsor wishes to contract with the Vendor for the preparation and service of meals to children participating in this Program, and the Vendor agrees to supply approved meals to the Sponsor, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that a Food Service Agreement be executed by the Terrebonne Parish School Board and Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government does hereby authorize the Parish President, Michel H. Claudet, to sign the Food Service Agreement to provide meals; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government does hereby authorize the Parish President to sign any certifications that may be associated with the implementation of this agreement.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. A. Tillman.

SECONDED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-416

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND SUPPORT TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT (TPCG) ADMINISTRATION'S AND TERREBONNE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY'S (TEDA) LOUISIANA DEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITIES PROJECT AND PRESENTATION TO LOUISIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SECRETARY STEVEN MORET ON AUGUST 13, 2010.

WHEREAS, Terrebonne Parish and TEDA have complete an update of their own community and economic development plan enhancing Terrebonne's competitiveness as LED is aggressively moving forward in its efforts to move Louisiana from good to great; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Development Ready Communities Pilot Program is part of an evaluation process leading up to a statewide readiness plan that all of Louisiana's communities can choose to participate in, and

WHEREAS, the Program purpose is to embrace LED's vision of making local communities development-ready, competitive, and "open for business;" and to connect communities to resources and tools to use for best practice community and economic development strategic planning; and

WHEREAS, TPCG and TEDA are committed to fostering this plan into the future to continue to enhance the aspects of strategy, marketing, and leadership, AND to act as a post disaster economic task force for the BP oil spill incident and future disasters, AND to serve as a working group to review the Terrebonne Parish Comprehensive Plan for sustainability and resiliency.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby support the TEDA and TPCG Administration's Louisiana Development Ready Communities Project and Presentation to Louisiana Economic Development Secretary, Steven Moret, on August 13, 2010.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

NOT VOTING: None.



ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. A. Tillman, "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 Ms. A. Williams.

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p. m.

Billy Hebert, Chairman

Suzette Thomas Minute Clerk

Mr. B. Hebert moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, "THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Community Development & Planning Committee meeting held on 8/09/10."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: A. Tillman.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. K. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, "THAT, the Council approve the following street light list:

INSTALL FLASHING CAUTION LIGHTS ALONG VALHI BOULEVARD NEAR THE SIGNS INDICATING THE EXISTING 'SCHOOL ZONE'; URBAN SERVICES DISTRICT ROAD LIGHTING; TPCG UTILITIES; KEVIN VOISIN."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: A. Tillman.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. J. Pizzolatto moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, "THAT, the Council hold open for two weeks the nominations for the vacancy on the Bayou Blue Fire Protection District Board."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Ms. T. Cavalier moved, seconded by Mr. K. Voisin, "THAT, the Council open, close, and appoint Ms. Cheryl Turner to fill the vacancy on the Terrebonne Advisory Committee for Disability Affairs, representing Options for Independence."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. B. Hebert and Mr. J. Pizzolatto, "THAT, the Council open, close and re-appoint Ms. Lynn Barrios Ellzey to serve on the Houma Area Convention & Visitors Bureau (Tourist Commission)."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairwoman recognized Ms. Lynn Barrios Ellzey who thanked the Council for its vote of confidence in re-appointing her to serve on the Houma Area Convention & Visitors Bureau (Tourist Commission).

Mr. C. Voisin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, "THAT, the Council hold open for two weeks nominations to fill the vacancy on the Personnel Review Board, Ms. Debra Yarbrough - representing the Terrebonne School Board."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, "THAT, the Council open, close, and appoint Mr. Graham Douglas (Terrebonne Parish School System), Ms. Carmelita Ratna (Chamber), and Mr. Clarence Williams (NAACP) to the Terrebonne Economic Development Authority." (\*\*MOTION AMENDED AFTER DISCUSSION)

Council Clerk Paul Labat interjected that letters of nominations have not been received from the Chamber of Commerce, NAACP, and the Terrebonne Parish School System.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, "THAT, the Council hold open for two weeks nominations for the Terrebonne Economic Development Authority for three (3) terms expiring on 8/24/10."

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the amended motion adopted.

Council Clerk Paul Labat stated that the Council Office has received a letter of resignation from the Recreation District No. 5 Board of Commissioners noting that Ms. Pamela Springstead has moved out of the district. He requested permission to advertise the vacancy and place the matter on the next Council agenda.

Councilman P. Lambert requested that Ms. Springstead be sent a letter thanking her for her years of service.

Councilman J. Pizzolatto encouraged the voters of Terrebonne Parish to support the passage of proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 2 (Act 541 of the 2009 of the Regular Legislative Session) noting that the amendment increases royalty proceeds to each Parish, in which minerals are derived. He stressed that the Act is not a tax increase and costs the Parish and the taxpayers nothing.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 10-417

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AMENDMENT #2 ON THE NOVEMBER 2, 2010 STATEWIDE ELECTION BALLOT REGARDING THE DISTRIBUTION OF SEVERANCE TAXES ON MINERALS TO THE PARISH WHERE THE MINERAL PRODUCTION OCCURRED

WHEREAS, Louisiana Constitution Art. VI, § 4 provides that 20% of the total State severance tax on minerals is to be distributed to the parish where the mineral production occurred, and

WHEREAS, however, the Louisiana Constitution currently places a cap on that distribution in the amount of \$850,000 annually, which cap is to increase at the rate of inflation each year, and

WHEREAS, the imposition of that cap has resulted in the distribution to the parishes of barely 3% of severance tax revenues, far below the 20% originally envisioned by the Louisiana Constitution, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature, in the 2009 Regular Session, adopted HB 765 which proposes to amend the Louisiana Constitution to increase the cap to \$1,850,000 in the first year of implementation and then \$2,850,000 then to increase the cap by the rate of inflation each year thereafter, should the last official forecast for a fiscal year exceed that of the actual collection of severance taxes in the year 2008-2009, and

WHEREAS, this increase will bring tens of millions of dollars to parish governments to be used for infrastructure and other purposes, and

WHEREAS, the proposal is set as Amendment #2 on the November 2, 2010 statewide election ballot.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby endorse and support the passage of Amendment #2 on the November 2, 2010 statewide election ballot.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairwoman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

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Parish President Michel Claudet re-emphasized that the adoption of the amendment does not cost the taxpayers anything noting how critical it is to approve the amendment.

Councilwoman T. Cavalier informed the Council of a partnering effort between the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and a New Jersey Animal Shelter to provide adoption services for pets that have not been adopted locally.

Councilman J. Pizzolatto requested that area residents exercise preventative measures against theft by locking their vehicles and removing any items of value to prevent a break-in.

In response to questioning, Parish Manager Al Levron stated that lawn care professionals are required to obtain an occupational license and special chemical certification.

Councilman K. Voisin requested that the matter relative to requiring lawn care professions to obtain training on disposing of grass clippings and that the matter be placed on the appropriate Council committee agenda.

Councilman B. Hebert informed the residents of a pre-construction meeting for the Broadmoor Drainage Construction Project tomorrow, August 12, 2010 noting that construction would commence next week. Mr. Hebert then requested that Entergy representatives stop telling residents to call their Council representative when a street light is removed.

Utilities Director Tom Bourg stated that an audit of the Terrebonne Parish street light inventory revealed several locations that were prohibited uses of public funds (backyards, rights-of-way, private mobile home parks/courts); that all Council members were provided a map of the street lights; that residents were given the opportunity to assume the street light service as a private light; and that upon the conclusion of the inventory assessment Entergy was sent a certified letter requesting the removal of the private lights. He added that Administration is beginning an inventory audit of SLECA's light and stated that residents who may be confused or think that their light has been removed in error may call the Utilities Department at (985) 873-6755.

Councilman A. Tillman requested that Administration reconsider the removal of the street lights which are for safety measures and light dark rights-of-way.

Councilman K. Voisin exited the proceedings at 7:12 p. m.

The Chairwoman commended the service of Public Safety Director Ralph Mitchell for his service to the Parish and wished him well and then announced that the Council has received a commendation from the United States Census Bureau for its assistance in providing testing and training locations.

Parish President Michel Claudet stated that Terrebonne Parish received an award from the Louisiana Mayor's Association for the Ready Community and that on August 18, 2010, Mr. Kenneth Fiendberg will be at the Houma-Terrebonne Civic Center to answer questions with respect to the BP/Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.

The Chairwoman recognized Mr. Gene Milford, III of Milford Associates, who presented an update on the Sunset Subdivision Drainage Improvements Project noting that the project is essentially complete although the firm is awaiting rights-of-way agreements and stated that most of the concrete construction for the Bayou Black Bridge Project has been completed on the Equity Boulevard side. He added that a good portion of work has been completed between Little Bayou Black and Enterprise Drive. In response to questioning, Mr. Milford stated that the Sunset Drainage Improvement Project entails the construction of a new ditch which will expand in the field behind the subdivision extending to Highway 20 tying into the ditch under the road way and then to the ditch on the north side extend around to the cross drainage and flow to Bayou Terrebonne.

Mr. A. Tillman moved, seconded by Mr. J. Cehan, "THAT, the Council accept, as per policy, the following engineering reports:

Duplantis Design Group, PC  
GSE Associates, LLC  
T. Baker Smith, Inc.  
Milford & Associates, Inc."

The Chairwoman called for the vote on the motion adopted 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, and J. Pizzolatto.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: K. Voisin.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

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

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

UPON ROLL CALL THERE WAS RECORDED:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: K. Voisin.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

SUZETTE THOMAS, MINUTE CLERK

ATTEST:

/S/ARLANDA J. WILLIAMS

ARLANDA J. WILLIAMS, CHAIRWOMAN  
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL

/S/PAUL A. LABAT

PAUL A. LABAT, COUNCIL CLERK  
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL