

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12TH, 2021
CHAIRMAN KURT BECNEL
VICE-CHAIR MICHAEL WRIGHT

The Council of the Parish of St. John the Baptist Parish, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session in the St. John the Baptist Parish Government Complex Chambers, LaPlace, Louisiana on Tuesday, October 12th, 2021, at 6:30 PM.

CALL TO ORDER:

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Lennix Madere, Jr., Councilman-at-Large, Div. A, Warren Torres, Jr., Councilman District II, Tammy Houston, Councilwoman District III, Tyra Duhe-Griffin, Councilwoman District IV, Robert Arcuri, Councilman District V, Tonia Schnyder, Councilwoman District VI, Thomas Malik, Councilman District VII, Michael Wright, Councilman-at-Large, Div. B

ABSENT: Kurt Becnel, Tyra Duhe-Griffin

Councilman led the Prayer. Councilman led the Pledge.

Legal Counsel Keith Green Jr, Christopher Cortez and Kennilyn Schmill were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY (3 minutes per citizen)

There were no public comments.

Jaclyn Hotard - Proclamation - October as Down Syndrome Awareness Month

Jaclyn Hotard, Parish President, read the proclamation for October as Down Syndrome Awareness Month.

CONSENT AGENDA:

ITEMS: Approval of Minutes - September 28th, 2021, Council Meeting

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Consent Agenda consisting of Approval of Minutes - September 28th, 2021, Council meeting. The motion passed with Councilwoman Duhe-Griffin and Councilman Becnel absent.

REPORTS:

President's Report:

Jaclyn Hotard, Parish President, gave her report.

Tom Malik - Finance Committee Report:

Councilman Malik stated, "Chairman, the Finance Committee met prior to this meeting and it was attended by the Council members seated, and all items were

passed. The Finance Committee approved the following Resolutions R21-136 and R21-137."

PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION ON ORDINANCES/NEW BUSINESS:

Kurt Becnel - Resolution - R21-135 - A Resolution confirming an election date change pursuant to the Executive Order of the Governor; establishing a new date to canvass the returns of the elections; and providing for other matters in connection therewith

MOTION: Councilwoman Schnyder moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution-R21-135. A Resolution confirming an election date change pursuant to the Executive Order of the Governor; establishing a new date to canvass the returns of the elections; and providing for others matters in connection therewith. WHEREAS, the Parish Council of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of (i) the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, and (ii) Road Lighting District No. 1 of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, heretofore called for elections to be held on Saturday, October 9, 2021; and WHEREAS, the Governor issued Executive Order Number 2021 JBE 13 on September 9, 2021 (said Executive Order, with any supplements or modifications, herein the "Executive Order"), to reschedule elections due to the Statewide State of Emergency caused by Hurricane Ida; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Parish Council of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of (i) the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, and (ii) Road Lighting District No. 1 of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana (the "Parish and District"), that: SECTION 1. This Governing Authority acknowledges the change in the election date, pursuant to the Executive Order, from October 9, 2021 to November 13, 2021. SECTION 2. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the St. John the Baptist Parish Government Complex Chambers, 1801 W. Airline Hwy, LaPlace, Louisiana, on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2021, at SIX-THIRTY O'CLOCK (6:30) P.M., and shall examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special elections. SECTION 3. All provisions of the election call resolution previously adopted by this Governing Authority, other than the change in the election date and the canvass date, shall remain in full force and effect. SECTION 4. The Council Chairman and/or Council Secretary are further authorized, empowered, and directed to take any, and all further action required by State and/or Federal authorities to conduct the elections. The motion passed with Councilwoman Duhe-Griffin and Councilman Becnel absent.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

There were no ordinances to introduce.

CORRESPONDENCE/COUNCIL BRIEFS:

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:04 PM, Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Malik seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed Councilwoman Duhe-Griffin and Councilman Becnel absent.

/s/Michael Wright

/s/Jackie Landeche

COUNCIL VICE-CHAIR

Council Secretary