

**ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL  
OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH, 2005 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES**

The Council of the Parish of St Landry, State of Louisiana, convened in a regular session on this 15th day of November, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

With Chairman Pat Miller presiding, the meeting was called to order.

The Chairman, Pat Miller, called the roll and the following council members were PRESENT: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet "Picheau" Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller, William "Billy" Gil and Chairman, Pat Miller.

Councilman Gary Courville led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

#1 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Dexter Brown, that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that St. Landry Parish Council dispenses with the reading of the minutes of October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005, and further that said minutes be approved as prepared.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet "Picheau" Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William "Billy" Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#2 - A motion was made by Councilman Huet "Picheau" Dupre, seconded by Councilman Albert Hollier, that a resolution of condolences be adopted and forwarded to the families of the following: Allen Boudreaux, Lanie Thierry, Mary Key Belsom, Mose Thierry, Jack Thibodeaux, Pim Smith, Velma L. Blanchard, Elrick Joseph Taylor, Sr., Fred Joseph Dugas, Rose Ann Guidry, Luda Bourque Peck, Rodney Landreneau, M.D., Jake Moody, Mack Fontenot, and Burton Cormier. On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet "Picheau" Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William "Billy" Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

Paul Bieniawski and Jamie Craddock addressed the council regarding the Bobcat Gas Storage project, which will facilitate the storage of gas in the salt dome, located approximately 7 miles east of Opelousas.

#3 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Buschel, seconded by Councilman James Eaglin that Agenda Item No. VIII. Special Business, Request from Acadiana Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc. for the St. Landry Parish Council to appoint two (2) members to their council, be tabled until the next committee meeting. On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet "Picheau" Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William "Billy" Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Hurlin Dupre ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this motion was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#4 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Ronald Dugas that Agenda Item No. IX. Ordinances for Introduction. Ordinance No., 2005-0011. Adopting Budget for 2006, be moved to the end of the agenda. On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet "Picheau" Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin

Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this motion was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#5 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Dexter Brown that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the proposed Ordinance No. 2005-0009, be amended by adding the following sentence to Section 5. Public Notification:

“In addition, all registered voters residing in the subdivision where such traffic control device is to be placed shall be notified in writing regarding the date, time and location of such public hearing.”

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#6 – A Public Hearing was held on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 5:50 p.m. Chairman, Pat Miller, called the hearing to order. No public comment. Chairman, Pat Miller, closed the hearing. A motion was made by Councilman William “Billy” Gil, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin that the following ordinance be adopted with amendment:

#### ORDINANCE 2005-0009

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ERECTION AND MAINTENANCE OF SPEED BUMPS AS A TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE WITHIN THE PARISH OF ST. LANDRY, STATE OF LOUISIANA.

#### Section 1. Definitions.

For the purpose of this article, the following words and phrases have the meaning ascribed to them in this Section unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

(1) “Parish road” means the entire width between the boundary lines of every way or place or whatever nature publicly maintained by the parish and open to the use of the public for the purpose of vehicular travel;

(2) “Speed bump” means a bump, hump or any mound or raised portion of the roadway surface of any material that is installed, constructed or placed across the roadway for the purpose of reducing speed of vehicles using such roadway;

(3) “Department” means the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

#### Section 2. Authority to install speed bumps.

As provided by La. R.S. 32:235, the governing authority of the parish may provide for the procuring, erection and maintenance of speed bumps on any parish-maintained road within the Parish of St. Landry. All such traffic control devices shall conform to the department’s manual or specifications.

#### Section 3. Visibility of speed bumps.

On any road which contains speed bumps, the parish will install warning signs and/or speed bumps shall be painted as to be clearly visible to oncoming traffic.

#### Section 4. Emergency vehicles.

Before placing a speed bump on any parish roadway, the parish emergency agencies having authority on such roadway will be notified. If it is in the opinion of such agency that the speed bumps will interfere with emergency equipment runs, the device will not be installed.

Section 5. Public notification.

Before placing a speed bump on any parish roadway, the councilman for that specific district shall be notified and a public hearing shall be held to notify the public regarding the proposed placement of such traffic control device. In addition, all registered voters residing in the subdivision where such traffic control device is to be placed shall be notified in writing regarding the date, time and location of such public hearing.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this ordinance was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#7 – A Public Hearing was held on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 5:40 p.m. Chairman, Pat Miller, called the hearing to order. No public comment. Chairman, Pat Miller, closed the hearing. A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Dexter Brown, that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-0010

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 18-24 OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH LEGAL LOAD LIMITS FOR VARIOUS BRIDGES IN ST. LANDRY PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, the establishment of legal load limits for bridges maintained by the St. Landry Parish Government is in the public interest, now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED that the legal load limits on various bridges in St. Landry Parish be amended and re-enacted to include the following changes, deletions and/or additions:

Parish Road Number	Recall Number	Bridge Posting (tons)
294 Charles Fisher Rd	800217	10-15
236 Live Oak Rd	800183	5
498 Jim Guillory Rd	800222	5
898 Rozena Rd	800227	10-15
1052 Joe W Rd	800171	10-15
628 Summner Rd	800237	Closed
230 Chelsie Rd	800231	5
760 Benny Pitre Rd	800234	10-15
980 Benny Pitre Rd	800233	10-15
606 St. Amand St	800254	10-15
1176 Prayer House Rd	800255	10-15
408 St. Andrew Rd	030144	10-15
330 DeJean Rd	800263	10-15
1132 Horecky Rd	800277	10-15
242 Whites Chapel Rd	800276	10-15
1112 WPA Rd	800271	20-35
992 Veazie Rd (Savage Bridge)	800281	5
178 Woods Rd	800288	15-25
176 Will Landry Rd	030006	10-15
1334 Country Ridge Rd	800328	10-15
548 Little Teche Rd	800318	Closed
3280 Courtableau Rd	030149	5
3144 Courtableau Rd	800306	3
1912 Old 190 Rd	800314	5
1588 Old 190 Rd	800309	10-15

670 Old 190 Rd	800312	10-15
656 Bayou Gerimond Rd	030061	10-15
1434 Oscar Rivette Rd	030152	10-15
718 Portage Levee Rd	800333	03
674 Billeaux Rd	030138	5
262 Rodney Rd	800190	5
154 Spanish Trail	030060	5
986 Jack Fox Rd	800207	5
110 Choctaw Rd	030139	10-15
824 McCarthy Ln	800215	20-35
426 W. Jefferson St	800384	20-35
332 W. Cherry St	030158	20-35
306 W. North St	800378	25-40
258 W. Grolee St	800373	25-40
694 Botany Bay Rd	030071	15-25
Linwood Drive	800389	Closed

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Public Works Supervisor and/or President, during emergency conditions are authorized and directed to make necessary changes in load limits, post load limits, to close roads and bridges, to restrict traffic and/or any other measures they deem necessary to ensure the safety of the public.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this ordinance was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#8 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Albert Hollier to adopt the following resolution:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL STATING ITS INTENT NOT TO SERVE AS A LOCATION FOR FEMA TEMPORARY HOUSING FACILITIES, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS “FEMA CITIES”, IN ST. LANDRY PARISH**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the St. Landry Parish Council, that:

**WHEREAS**, due to the destruction caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita to our neighboring parishes, St. Landry Parish has been providing aid and housing to our fellow men and women who have been devastated by the storms; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Landry Parish Council has welcomed between 13,000 to 15,000 evacuees at the Cursillo Center, Queen of Angels Catholic Church, First Baptist Church of Eunice, Opelousas Development Center, Opelousas High School, Yambilee Festival Building, Holy Ghost Catholic Church, North Central High School, Louisiana United Memorial Methodist Church, Beau Chene High School in addition to those evacuees housed at other facilities in St. Landry Parish, faith-based organizations and with residents of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Landry Parish Fire Departments, Police Departments and Sheriff’s Department have assisted their fellow firemen and policemen in the devastated parishes as well as worked numerous hours to provide security and safety to the evacuees; and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Landry Parish School System has admitted to date 843 displaced students, since Hurricanes Katrina and Rita struck the Louisiana Coast; and

**WHEREAS**, this information from the school system and that from the various agencies including the local churches and shelters have led St. Landry Parish Government to estimate that approximately 6,000 new people are either being sheltered by individuals and/or churches or government in St. Landry Parish; and

**WHEREAS**, the welcome addition of these new residents in our Parish has created a strain on our infrastructure, including but not limited to roads, traffic, sewage, drainage, law enforcement and the school system.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the St. Landry Parish Council, that:

**SECTION 1:** All of the aforescribed “WHEREAS” clauses are herein adopted as part of this resolution.

**SECTION 2:** Due to the already existing strain on the infrastructure and in consideration of the welfare of our citizens, it is the intent of the St. Landry Parish Council that the parish of St. Landry NOT serve as a location for travel trailers, recreational vehicles, mobile homes, or other structures commonly referred to as “FEMA cities” for the purposes of temporary housing for residents who were evacuated by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

**SECTION 3:** The St. Landry Parish Council specifically supports the housing of evacuees from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita within currently existing and available infrastructure, including but not limited to apartments, public housing, mobile home parks, RV parks, as well as rehabilitated homes within individual neighborhoods.

**SECTION 4:** All resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#9 – A motion was made by Councilman Keith Miller, seconded by Council William “Billy” Gil that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the resolution adopted on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005 incorrectly stated Daniel Frey as the member reappointed to serve on the Eunice Gravity Drainage and is hereby corrected to reflect the reappointment of Blaine Frey to serve on the Eunice Gravity Drainage District No. 9 for a term of four (4) years, effective October 2, 2005.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#10 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Huet “Picheau” Dupre, that the appointment of a real estate appraiser to appraise the adjudicated properties adopted by Ordinance 2005-A, 2005-B, 2005-C and 2005-E be tabled until the Council Clerk provides the council with a listing of certified appraisers for the Parish of St. Landry at the next committee meeting.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this motion was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#11 – A motion was made by Councilman Gary Courville, seconded by William “Billy” Gil, that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that Robert Quirk, Jr. and Brenda Loeb Hardy are hereby reappointed to serve as members of the Hospital Service District No. 1, (Moosa), for a term of six (6) years each, effective December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#12 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Buschel, seconded by Councilman Hurlin Dupre, that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that Dexter Brown, 263 Milton Brown Road, Opelousas, LA 70570, is hereby appointed to replace Howard Austin, whose term expired on November 4, 2005, to serve on the St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission, for a term of three (3) years, effective November 4, 2005

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#13 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Buschel, seconded by Councilman Bruce Boudreaux that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that Suzanne LaHaye, John Slaughter, Mary “Sis” Johnson Doucet, Jane Ardoin, Chad Pitre and Charles Jagneaux, whose terms expired on November 4, 2005, are hereby reappointed to serve on the St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission, for a term of three (3) years, effective November 4, 2005.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#14 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Huet “Picheau” Dupre that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that Mark Wesley Caton, 1818 Oak Leaf Boulevard, Opelousas, LA 70570, is hereby appointed to serve on the St. Landry Economic & Inducement District (SLEID) for the remainder of the term vacated by Don Stelly, effective October 18, 2005, term expires December 31, 2007.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Albert Hollier ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH, 2005 AT 6:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT: Bruce Boudreaux, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, William “Billy” Gil, Keith Miller, Ronald Buschel, Pat Miller, Ex Officio.**

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Ronald Buschel;
2. Chairman Ronald Buschel requested the Council Clerk to call roll;
3. Mr. Robert Wolfe addressed the committee regarding the drainage of Bayou Tesson near the property of Aaron Harris and reported that it could be drained, however, you would

have to cut through a ridge to allow it to drain. The lateral runs from Belmont Subdivision through Indian Hills and McNeese Street.

4. The committee recommends authorizing the Parish President, Don Menard, to sign the application for a grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 to be ascertained by Senator Don Cravins, Sr. and Representative Donald Cravins, Jr. to help fund a project that would resolve the drainage issues of the lateral which runs from Belmont Subdivision through Indian Hills and McNeese Street.
5. The committee recommends that Senator Don Cravins, Sr. and Representative Donald Cravins, Jr. report their progress in obtaining the \$50,000.00 grant to help fund a project that would resolve the drainage issues of the lateral that runs from Belmont Subdivision through Indian Hills and McNeese Street to Councilman James Eaglin and Councilman Pat Miller.
6. The committee recommends final approval of Bayou Bend Estate Subdivision, repartition of lots 4, 5, 30 & 31 as lots 4 A & B, 5 A & B, 30 A& B, 31 A& B, owned by Kirt Soileau, section 66, T5S, R4E, off Gentry Drive, Washington, LA, located in district 4.
7. The committee recommends final approval of Bonner Thompson Partition, repartition of tract 7 to tract 7 A & B, owned by Bonner Thompson, section 22, T7S, R5E, off Marcell Lane, located in district 7.
8. The committee recommends final approval of Westminster Heights lots 15 thru 116 situated in Section 40, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, and Section 163, Township 7, Range 4 East, owner/developer Robbie James Devillier, et al, contingent upon payment of fees, signs/labor, surety bond, maintenance agreement and necessary correction being made to the final plat in regards to maintenance of sewer discharge collection lines and cul de sac. The committee further recommends the acceptance of Petite Rue de Landon, Grand Rue de Josh, Rue de Hunter and addition to Alexis Drive into the Parish Road system
9. The committee recommends accepting the Public Works Report as presented by the Public Works Director, Tim Marks.

PARISH PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY REPORT  
Council Committee Meeting  
November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005

1. Accounts payable printout of special taxing districts during the month of October.
  2. Financial report for the month of October.
  3. Building permits issued during the month of October totaling a structural cost of 2.7 million.
  4. Monthly activity report from the parish animal shelter listing adoptions as well as disposals.
  5. Public Works Department report listing work orders completed during the month of October.
  6. Bridge Inspector report for the month of October.
  7. Resolution from the parish council regarding FEMA temporary housing for evacuees.
  8. Report listing goals and objectives of the St. Landry Parish Rural Health Network Board.
10. The committee recommends that the Parish President's Report be accepted as presented.
  11. The committee recommends requesting Attorney Jack Burson to consult with the Judge regarding a request to have the restraining order lifted in the litigation involving Pernie Bailey Road to allow for the Parish to maintain or temporarily close the road due its hazardous condition.
  12. The committee recommends requesting the Bridge Inspector, Tommy McMillan, to inspect the Landry Road Bridge to determine the necessary repairs and an approximate cost of such repairs;

13. The committee recommends that a resolution be adopted requesting Bill Fontenot with the Department of Transportation and Development to consider lowering the speed limit from 55 mph to 25 mph on La. Hwy. 757 from Hwy. 190 north to Dresser Loop Road.
14. The committee recommends adjournment to the next Public Works Committee scheduled for Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005, at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

/s/ Chairman, Ronald Buschel

#15 - A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Keith Miller, to forward a copy of the excerpts from the Public Works Committee Report regarding the recommendations made by the committee contained in No. 4 and No. 5 to Senator Don Cravins, Sr. and Representative Donald Cravins, Jr., and further moved, that a cost estimate be requested regarding the referenced recommendations from the engineer.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet "Picheau" Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William "Billy" Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this motion was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#16 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Keith Miller, to adopt the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the following Public Works Committee recommendations have been accepted and approved:

1. The committee recommends final approval of Bayou Bend Estate Subdivision, repartition of lots 4, 5, 30 & 31 as lots 4 A & B, 5 A & B, 30 A& B, 31 A& B, owned by Kirt Soileau, section 66, T5S, R4E, off Gentry Drive, Washington, LA, pending payment of the fees.
2. The committee recommends final approval of Bonner Thompson Partition, repartition of tract 7 to tract 7 A & B, owned by Bonner Thompson, section 22, T7S, R5E, off Marcell Lane pending payment of the fees.
3. The committee recommends final approval of Westminster Heights lots 15 thru 116 situated in Section 40, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, and Section 163, Township 7, Range 4 East, owner/developer Robbie James Devillier, et al, contingent upon payment of fees, signs/labor, surety bond, maintenance agreement and necessary correction being made to the final plat in regards to maintenance of sewer discharge collection lines and cul de sac. The committee further recommends the acceptance of Petite Rue de Landon, Grand Rue de Josh, Rue de Hunter and addition to Alexis Drive into the Parish Road system pending the posting of a security bond, fulfillment of the maintenance agreement and payment of the fees.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet "Picheau" Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William "Billy" Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#17 – A motion was made by Councilman Hurlin Dupre, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the Public Works Committee Report be accepted as presented and further that all recommendations contained herein be approved.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

Carrol Lavergne, 1870 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, Louisiana 70570, with the Bellevue Coulee Crouche Gravity Drainage District addressed the council regarding the problem the Drainage District is having with citizens of St. Landry Parish placing homes and/or mobile homes within the 100 ft. right of way of the drainage canal.

#18 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Ronald Buschel to table the subject of homes being placed and/or constructed within the 100 ft. right of way of the drainage canal until the next committee meeting wherein the Legal Advisor, Andrea West, may present additional laws for discussion. On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this motion was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

**ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**MONDAY NOVEMBER 7TH, 2005**

**PRESENT: Dexter Brown, Gary Courville, Joseph “Picheu” Dupre, James Eaglin, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Pat Miller, Ex Officio.**

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Wayne Ardoin;
2. Chairman Wayne Ardoin requested the Council Clerk to call roll;
3. The committee made a recommendation that the Regular Council Meeting presently set for December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2005, be rescheduled for Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005 and that the new date be properly advertised.
4. Margaret Frey, 1900 W. Ash Avenue, Eunice, LA 70535, representing the St. Landry Parish Drinking Water Protection Committee, addressed the council to request the adoption of a proposed ordinance to protect the drinking water of the St. Landry Parish citizens.
5. The committee made a recommendation that the proposed ordinance requested by Mrs. Frey be reviewed by the Legal Advisor, Andrea West, and that she report back to full council regarding such ordinance.
6. The committee made a recommendation that a resolution be adopted stating that St. Landry Parish does not intend to serve as a location for FEMA temporary housing facilities, commonly referred to as “FEMA CITIES”.
7. The committee made a recommendation that the St. Landry Parish Government refrain from becoming a member of the Acadiana Regional Development District.
8. The committee made a recommendation to accept the Parish President’s Report as presented.
9. The committee made a recommendation changing the working hours of the Council clerk, Pam Fruge, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
10. The committee made a recommendation that the Council Clerk expedite the recognition through a press release congratulating the area high school football teams who have made the playoffs from the Parish President and Parish Council.

11. The committee made a recommendation authorizing the Parish President, Don Menard, to sign the intergovernmental agreement with Solid Waste for the lease of the backhoe and three wood chippers for \$100.00 per year.
12. The committee recommends that the Administrative Finance Committee be adjourned to the next committee meeting scheduled for Monday, December 5th, 2005, immediately following the Public Works Committee.

Submitted by:

/s/ Wayne Ardoin, Chairman

#19 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Buschel, seconded by Councilman Huet “Picheau” Dupre, table the request for the adoption of a proposed ordinance to protect drinking water of the St. Landry Parish citizens until the next committee meeting to allow the Legal Advisor to research the legalities of the ordinance. On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this motion was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#20 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Buschel, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the Parish President, Don Menard, is hereby authorized to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement with St. Landry Parish Solid Waste for the lease of the backhoe and three wood chippers for \$100.00 per year.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#21 – A motion was made by Councilman Hurlin Dupre, seconded by Councilman Dexter Brown that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the Administrative/Finance Committee Report be accepted as presented and further that all recommendations contained herein are approved.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

Parish President, Don Menard, presented to the council the work orders completed for the month of October.

#22 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Buschel, seconded by Councilman William “Billy” Gil that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the Parish President report be accepted as presented.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#23 – A motion was made by Councilman Keith Miller, seconded by Councilman Dexter Brown that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that final approval for Hidden Oaks Estates, repartition of Tract A, Lots 18, 19, 20, Sections 20 and 29, T6S, R3E, owner/developer, Shawn DeJean, is hereby accepted pending payment of the fees.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#24 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Bruce Boudreaux that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the St. Landry Parish Council extends their gratitude and thankfulness to Mr. Allen Amy for his generosity in donating the Christmas decorations to the St. Landry Parish Government.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#25 - Council Clerk, Pam Fruge, announced that all nominations for the boards and/or commissions which are expiring in the month of December, 2005 and the early part of January, 2006 are to be provided to the Clerk by December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2005, so they may be placed on the agenda for the council meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

#26 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Buschel, seconded by Councilman Wayne Ardoin that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the Legal Advisor, Andrea West, obtain an Attorney General opinion regarding the SLEID appointments and/or reappointments.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#### LITIGATION REPORT NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2005

- In the matter of St. Landry Parish Government v. Kenneth Guillot d/b/a Bayou Jack Logging Co., et al (Old Spanish Trail), an offer of \$25,000 settlement was made to Kenneth Guillot, waiting on response. A counter-offer of \$5,000 was made by Kenneth Guillott. The Herbert’s made an offer to settle of \$400.00. A counter-offer of \$800 was made, waiting on response.
- In the matter of Alex John, Jr., et ux v. St. Landry Parish Government, a boundary agreement and Motion to Dismiss was forwarded to the attorney for plaintiff agreeing to settle the matter for \$4,000.00. Waiting on response.
- Prepared Motion for Summary Judgment in the matter of Lynn Barry Marks v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury, et al. Plaintiff was struck by train on Spillway Levee Road in St. Landry Parish. According to Tim Marks, this road is not a parish road. Hearing was set for November 10, 2005, but was rescheduled to December 2, 2005 due to service issues.

- In the process of preparing Interrogatories in the matter of Holly LeJeune v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury, et al. Plaintiff lost control of her vehicle allegedly due to pothole in parish road. Telephone scheduling conference was set for November 10, 2005 but was cancelled by attorney for plaintiff. Waiting on new date.
- The following Request for Cancellation of Judgment are prepared for removal of Judgments that have prescribed:
  - Robert George, et al v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury
  - Terradine Richard Thibodeaux v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury
  - Adam Edwards v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury
  - Ellia J. Fontenot v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury
  - Terradine Richard Thibodeaux v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury (2<sup>nd</sup> Judgment)
  - Weston Quebedeaux, et al v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury
  - Kenny Barker, Sr., et al v. St. Landry Parish Police Jury

\*One (1) Nuisance letter was sent throughout the month to Paul Vassuer – obstruction of drainage.

#27 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Dexter Brown that the Legal Advisor, Andrea West, pursue with the litigation entitled *St. Landry Parish Government v. Kenneth Guillot d/b/a Bayou Jack Logging Co., et al (Old Spanish Trail)* by asking for a trial date.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this motion was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#28 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Dugas, seconded by Councilman Albert Hollier that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the Litigation Report presented by the Legal Advisor, Andrea West, be accepted.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#29 – A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Bruce Boudreaux that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the St. Landry Parish Airport Authority be requested to produce the financial statement to reflect the revenues collected.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Ronald Buschel ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#30- A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Ardoin, seconded by Councilman Bruce Boudreaux that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that the Parish President, Don Menard, provide a list of all employees and their salaries along with the appropriate fund from which these employees are paid. Further, this list be made a part of the budget for 2006.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter

Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#31 – A motion was made by Councilman Hurlin Dupre, seconded by Councilman William “Billy” Gil, that a public hearing regarding Ordinance No. 2005-0011 be set for December 14, 2005 at 5:40 p.m.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

#32 – A motion was made by Councilman Ronald Buschel, seconded by Councilman Hurlin Dupre that the following resolution be adopted:

*Resolved*, that this Body adjourn with the next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Landry Parish Council Meeting Room 132, St. Landry Parish Courthouse, Opelousas, Louisiana.

On roll call vote: YEAS: Gary Courville, Bruce Boudreaux, James Eaglin, Huet “Picheau” Dupre, Ronald Buschel, Hurlin Dupre, Ronald Dugas, Albert Hollier, Wayne Ardoin, Dexter Brown, Keith Miller and William “Billy” Gil NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

Whereupon, this resolution was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

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Pamela Fruge, Council Clerk