

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A **REGULAR MEETING** HELD ON **TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023 AT 3:00 P.M.** IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, LOCATED AT 8201 WEST JUDGE PEREZ DRIVE, CHALMETTE, LOUISIANA.

The St. Bernard Parish Council, the Governing Authority, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at three o'clock p.m. pursuant to notice given to each member and posted in the manner required by law.

The meeting convened at 3:00 p.m. Members present: Council Chair Richard "Richie" Lewis, Gillis McCloskey, Joshua "Josh" Moran, Howard Luna, Wanda Alcon Fred Everhardt, Jr., and Kerri Callais.

Also present were Roxanne Adams, Clerk of Council, serving as official secretary of the Council and Ronnie Alonzo, CAO was representing Administration.

Councilmember Callais delivered the invocation and Councilmember Moran led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Elected Official present was Jeff Southerland, Justice of the Peace - Ward "H"

#1 On motion of Mr. McCloskey, seconded by Mr. Moran, it was moved to approve the minutes from the April 4, 2023 Regular Council Meeting as published in the official journal, the St. Bernard Voice on Friday, April 14, 2023.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#2 On motion of the Council Chair, without objection and by unanimous consent, it was moved to receive an update from the Capital Projects Department.

Discussion ensued;

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#3 Councilmember's District Update

A copy of this update is on file with the minutes of this meeting.

#4 President's Report

No action was taken on this item

#5 Recognize the Public

- Jason Mones - St. Bernard, LA
- Michael Moolekamp - Meraux, LA

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- Philip Mones - St. Bernard, LA
- Pam Mones - St. Bernard, LA

#6 Summary No. 4074

Introduced by: Councilman Everhardt on 4/4/23

AN ORDINANCE TO HAVE THE ADMINISTRATION IMMEDIATELY PUT BACK IN PLACE THE ENTIRE STAFFING AND EQUIPMENT LEVELS OF FIRE DISTRICT 2 TO ITS LEVELS AS IT WAS PRIOR TO MARCH 6, 2023.

NO ONE APPEARED TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THIS ITEM

#7 Summary No. 4075

Introduced by: Councilman Luna on 4/4/23

AN ORDINANCE TO **AMEND** ORDINANCE SBPC #1993-08-17, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISH A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND "TREE FUND" AND IMPLEMENT STIPULATIONS FOR ALL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

NO ONE APPEARED TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THIS ITEM

#8 Summary No. 4076

Introduced by: Councilmember Luna on 4/4/23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND **ORDINANCE SBPC #2469-12-22**, AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2023 ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

NO ONE APPEARED TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THIS ITEM

#9 Summary No. 4077

Introduced by: Administration on 4/4/23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND **ORDINANCE SBPC #2469-12-22**, AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2023 ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

NO ONE APPEARED TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THIS ITEM

#10 Summary No. 4078

Introduced by: Councilmember Luna on 4/4/23

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND "RIDE SHARE FEES" AND IMPLEMENT STIPULATIONS FOR REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

NO ONE APPEARED TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THIS ITEM

#11 Summary No. 4080

Introduced by: Administration on 4/4/23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND **ORDINANCE SBPC #2469-12-22**, AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2023 ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

NO ONE APPEARED TO SPEAK FOR OR AGAINST THIS ITEM

#12 On motion of Mr. Moran, seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was moved to **adopt** the following resolution.

RESOLUTION SBPC #2297-04-23

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE AN INTERIM APPOINTMENT TO FILL THE VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF CONSTABLE WARD "D" FOR THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD.

On motion of Mr. Moran, seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was moved to appoint Lester Hueschen, Jr. as the interim appointment to fill the vacancy of Constable Ward "D";

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

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YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#13 On motion of Mr. Everhardt, seconded by Mr. Luna, it was moved to **adopt** the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC #2483-04-23

Summary No. 4074

Introduced by: Councilman Everhardt on 4/4/23

Public Hearing held on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE TO HAVE THE ADMINISTRATION IMMEDIATELY PUT BACK IN PLACE THE ENTIRE STAFFING AND EQUIPMENT LEVELS OF FIRE DISTRICT 2 TO ITS LEVELS AS IT WAS PRIOR TO MARCH 6, 2023.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#14 On motion of Mr. Luna, seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was moved to **adopt** the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC #2484-04-23

Summary No. 4075

Introduced by: Councilman Luna on 4/4/23

Public Hearing held on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE TO **AMEND** ORDINANCE SBPC #1993-08-17, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISH A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND "TREE FUND" AND IMPLEMENT STIPULATIONS FOR ALL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

Discussion ensued;

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **NAY**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

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#15 On motion of Mr. Luna, seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was moved to **adopt** the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC #2485-04-23

Summary No. 4076

Introduced by: Councilmember Luna on 4/4/23
Public Hearing held on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND **ORDINANCE SBPC #2469-12-22**, AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2023 ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#16 On motion of Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was moved to **adopt** the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC #2486-04-23

Summary No. 4077

Introduced by: Administration on 4/4/23
Public Hearing held on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND **ORDINANCE SBPC #2469-12-22**, AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2023 ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#17 On motion of Mr. Luna, seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was moved to **adopt** the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC #2487-04-23

Summary No. 4078

Introduced by: Councilmember Luna on 4/4/23
Public Hearing held on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND "RIDE SHARE FEES" AND IMPLEMENT STIPULATIONS FOR REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

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YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **NAY**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#18 On motion of Ms. Callais, seconded by Mr. Moran, it was moved to **adopt** the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC# 2488-04-23

Summary No. 4080

Introduced by: Administration on 4/4/23

Public Hearing held on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND **ORDINANCE SBPC #2469-12-22**, AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2023 ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Alcon, Everhardt, Callais

NAYS: Luna

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#19 On motion of Mr. McCloskey, seconded by Mrs. Alcon, it was moved to **introduce** the following ordinance:

Summary No. 4081

Introduced by: Council on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND IMPOSING CERTAIN TAXES FOR 2023 ON ALL THE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD, ROAD LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 1, ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1, GARBAGE DISTRICT NO. 1, FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 AND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2.

Public Hearing will be held on May 2, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Callais

ABSTAINED: None

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

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#20 On motion of Mr. McCloskey, seconded by Mrs. Alcon, it was moved to **introduce** the following ordinance:

Summary No. 4082

Introduced by: Council on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE TO **AMEND** CHAPTER 8; ELECTIONS, SECTION 8-2; SINGLE-MEMBER COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS; COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE DISTRICT; ELECTION PRECINCTS TO GEOGRAPHICALLY MERGE PRECINCTS AND INCORPORATE THOSE MERGERS INTO THE REDISTRICTING PLAN ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE SBPC #2451-08-22, AND ESTABLISH POLLING PLACES FOR SAID PRECINCTS.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Callais

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#21 On motion of Mr. McCloskey, seconded by Mrs. Alcon, it was moved to **introduce** the following ordinance:

Summary No. 4083

Introduced by: Councilmember McCloskey on 4/18/23

AN ORDINANCE TO RENAME CAROLYN PARK PLAYGROUND TO CAROLYN PARK JOHN GEBBIA FIELD.

On motion of Mr. McCloskey, seconded by Mr. Lewis, it was moved to **amend** the title to read "CAROLYN PARK PLAYGROUND AT JOHN GEBBIA FIELD";

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Callais

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#22 On motion of Mr. McCloskey, seconded by Ms. Callais, it was moved to **introduce** the following ordinance:

Summary No. 4077

Introduced by: Administration on 4/4/23

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The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: McCloskey, Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt

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NAYS: None

ABSENT: Callais

The Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18th day of April, 2023.

#23 Coastal Zone Advisory Committee
No action taken on this item.

Council Chair took a Chairman's Privilege and recognized Ronnie Alonzo, CAO.

Discussion ensued;

Council Chair took a Chairman's Privilege and recognized Councilmember Moran.

Discussion ensued;

There being no further business for discussion, the Council Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m. on the 18th day of April, 2023.

COPIES OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES IN THEIR ENTIRETY ARE ON FILE AT THE CLERK OF COUNCIL'S OFFICE AND ARE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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COUNCIL CHAIR