



*St. Bernard
Parish Government*

Guy McInnis
PARISH PRESIDENT

President's Report

Council Meeting of Tuesday, December 18, 2018

Good afternoon Council Members, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Coastal – CWPPRA Technical Committee approved Phase 1 funding for the East Delacroix Marsh creation and Terracing Project. The \$39 Million Dollar Project will create over 350 acres of marsh and several miles of terracing on the east side of Delacroix. We are fortunate to have gotten another large-scale coastal restoration project funded. The Delacroix project is particularly important because of its potential to mitigate storm surge and increase the resilience of our historic fishing communities outside of the levee system.

Violet Canal Maintenance Dredging – 8,000 cubic yards of material has been dredged from the Violet Canal between St. Bernard Highway and the Violet Canal Bridge. This was a joint effort between Parish Government and Coastal Protection Restoration Authority. The project was completed in early December.

Donuts with Santa - The Leisure Department hosted Donuts with Santa this past Saturday with over 300 people in attendance. Each child received a photo with Santa, two donuts and a toy. A special thank you goes to Gerald's Donuts, Mc Donald's of St. Bernard and Raising Canes for providing breakfast and Billy Vaughn and participants of the USSA Tournament for donating toys for the event.

Recreation – The Recreation Department has seen an increase in registration for this year's Basketball Season. The total number of children participating this year is 613 compared to 551 last year. The season runs through the end of January.

Film & TV – Parish Government has launched its YouTube Channel. Videos of community events and profiles of myself and the Council can be viewed on the channel. Visit www.sbpge.net and click on the St. Bernard Television YouTube Channel.

Code Enforcement – The Code Enforcement Department is working to address code violations. To date the department has issued 20 demolition orders, 3 pool demolitions and imposed over \$60,000 in code violation fines in 2018

Holiday Closures – We will be closed on the following days for the upcoming holidays: **Monday, December 24th and Tuesday, December 25th** for Christmas holiday. The offices will reopen on Wednesday, December 26th. The offices will again close on **Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1, 2019** for the New Year's Holiday. Normal business hours will resume on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

Upcoming Community Events

Sunday, January 6 th - 8 am	112 th Jackson Day Race	Aycock Barn
Tuesday, January 8 - 9 am	Wreath-laying ceremony	8606 W St. Bernard Hwy.
Friday, January 11th -11a.m.	Wreath Laying Ceremony	De la Ronde Plantation
January 11th & 12th 9am-3pm	Living History Demonstrations	Park at Govt. Complex
Friday, January 11th	BONO Symposium	Nunez College
Saturday, January 12th	BONO Symposium	Council Chambers

For more info on the following events visit www.viststbernard.com

Sincerely,

Guy McInnis
Parish President