



St. Bernard
Parish Government

Guy McInnis
PARISH PRESIDENT

President's Report

Council Meeting of Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Good evening Council Members, Ladies and Gentlemen:

RECREATION – The Recreation Department will host the first Biddy Basketball Tournament since Hurricane Katrina. The tournament will be held March 15th-17th at Val Riess Park.

FREE CONCERT – We will kick off the 2019 “Wind-Down Wednesdays” Concert Series on **Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.** in Torres Park with Harvey Jesus and Fire. Please bring lounge chairs and picnic blankets. Food, drinks, art, crafts and various other vendor items will be available for purchase. If interested in becoming a vendor, please contact [Denise Montalbano](#) at 504-518-6031 for an application.

COASTAL – Our Coastal Department is in the process of updating their RESTORE Act Multiyear Implementation Plan (MIP), which includes a number of coastal and economic development activities that are intended to mitigate the impacts of the BP Oil Spill. The original MIP was approved in 2017 and is now being amended for the second time. The most recent proposed amendments to the MIP are available for public comment through **March 25, 2019**. A copy of the plan can be viewed online at www.sbpq.net or in person in the Government Complex lobby.

CWPPRA PROJECTS - Two major coastal restoration projects in St. Bernard Parish have been selected for further consideration under the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWPPRA) program. The projects were chosen as part of a nomination and selection process administered by the US Army Corps of Engineers. Each of the projects will now be subject to further feasibility and benefit-cost analyses by the CWPPRA Technical Committee. The **Reggio Marsh Creation and Hydrologic Restoration project** was voted #2 in the Breton Basin. This is a high priority project that would create or nourish approximately 483 acres of marsh on the east side of Reggio and Delacroix. As part of the project, two canals along Bayou Terre aux Boeufs would also be plugged. The preliminary cost estimate is \$15-\$20 million. The **North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing project** was voted #3 overall in the Breton Sound Basin. This project would create or nourish approximately 389 acres of marsh and create approximately 17,500 linear feet of marsh terracing near Delacroix. The overarching purpose of the project is to reestablish healthy marsh around the Delacroix area. The preliminary cost estimate is \$25 million.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Los Islenos Festival
Wind Down Wednesdays Concert
Special Olympics

Saturday, March 9th & Sunday, March 10th
Wednesday, March 13th 6-8pm
Friday, March 29th at 9:15 am

Sincerely,

Guy McInnis
Parish President

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