



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AGENDA REVIEW COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2023 AT 5:00 P.M.

ST. TAMMANY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX

21490 KOOP DRIVE, MANDEVILLE, LA.

Call to order by Honorable Joe Impastato

Roll Call: Larry Rolling ABSENT
Martha Cazaubon ABSENT
Pat Phillips
Cheryl Tanner
Joe Impastato
Maureen "MO" O'Brien ABSENT
Jeffrey Corbin

Also present: Smith, Burke, Cogle, Laughlin, Strickland

-Impastato - 1. Review of Parish Council Agenda for the regular meeting on April 04, 2024. (Meeting Agenda available in Council Office or on Parish website: www.stpgov.org)

-Impastato – called items to be pulled.

ITEMS TO PULL

Ordinances for Introduction
10. Ordinance Calendar No. 7541
11. Ordinance Calendar No. 7542
12. Ordinance Calendar No. 7543
13. Ordinance Calendar No. 7544
14. Ordinance Calendar No. 7545
15. Ordinance Calendar No. 7546
16. Ordinance Calendar No. 7547
17. Ordinance Calendar No. 7548
18. Ordinance Calendar No. 7549
19. Ordinance Calendar No. 7550
20. Ordinance Calendar No. 7551

-Tanner – moved to refer Ordinances for Introduction #10- through #20 to the Finance Committee, seconded by Corbin. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O'Brien).

-Impastato – asked Council if they had any further items to be pulled.

-Cogle – Appointment 3. Resolution to appoint members of the St. Tammany Parish Library Board of Control pursuant to staggered terms as required by La. R.S. 25:214(B). (Cogle) (Postponed on 03/07/2024)

-Said there will be a substitute resolution from Councilwoman Tanner.

-Tanner – explained the substitute.

- Emily Couvillion – said that Tanner will need to make a motion to vote on the substitute, and if the substitute is approved, the Council will take nominations. Once all nominations are received, the nominations will be closed. The nominations will then layover until May and the new appointees will take office in June to allow for oaths and training.
- Laughlin – asked if Cogle wanted to speak before Tanner at the April meeting.
- Tanner – moved to refer to the full Council, seconded by Corbin. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O'Brien).
- Impastato – **28. Ordinance Calendar No. 7559** - Ordinance to amend St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances, Part I - Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2 - Administration, Article III - Parish Council, Sec. 2-75 - Agenda format, to establish a one-minute time limitation for public comment on procedural motions to postpone any item on a Parish Council Agenda. (Laughlin/Impastato)
- Said the sponsor should include Corbin and Phillips.
- Laughlin – explained what occurred here.
- Corbin – asked if they were limiting themselves by only including postponement.
- Couvillion – explained that in her research, she found that only the postponement is debatable.
- Corbin – moved to refer to the full Council, seconded by Tanner. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O'Brien).
- Impastato - **29. Ordinance Calendar No. 7560** - Ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, Part I, Chapter 35 - Roads and Bridges, Article I, by adding Section 35 - 35: Directional Boring Operations, to protect underground utilities. (Cogle)
- Grant Black – gave an update on this ordinance. Some highlights included: company markers (visible labeling on vendors), potholing, dawn to dusk, jury of peers, 811 training, construction licenses, and emergency exemptions. He said they are on their fourth draft and about a week away from completion of the ordinance.
- Cogle – asked what draft is available to the public.
- Diana Velez – responded that none at the moment.
- Cogle – asked about amending the ordinance.
- Couvillion – explained that nothing has been published yet, so no need to amend.
- Black – explained that they want to make sure they are doing this correctly.
- Laughlin – asked, “if you follow the rules then you can do directional boring, correct”.
- Black – responded.
- Corbin – thanked the administration for moving quickly.
- Corbin – moved to refer to the full Council, seconded by Phillips. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O'Brien).
- Impastato - **1. Resolution Council Series No. C-6909** - Resolution to adopt procedures relative to the appointment of open positions to Boards or Commissions by the St. Tammany Parish Council. (Corbin/Binder)
- Corbin – explained the purpose of this resolution and gave a summary of what will occur when using this voting procedure.
- Couvillion – reminded them that there are a number of open positions, and asked them to be patient with the clerk and themselves. She said this is a learning process and it is long and tedious.

- Laughlin – asked Corbin if he wanted to move this up at the meeting.
- Corbin – said yes.
- Cogle – asked Couvillion to explain how the voting process would go.
- Couvillion – explained that everyone will get a ballot sheet and select their nominees. The clerk/administrator will record all votes on a master sheet and give the Councilmembers back their ballots. She said the Councilmembers will then read their nominees.
- Cogle – asked if they read their votes 1 through 14 or not?
- Couvillion – explained that it won't matter because the Clerk will have already recorded the votes.
- Laughlin – said this will avoid any swaying of votes.
- Council discussion ensued.
- Couvillion – also explained that this addresses lots.
- Corbin – moved to refer to the full Council, seconded by Tanner. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O'Brien).
- Impastato - **5. Resolution Council Series No. C-6913** - Resolution to concur/not concur (circle one) with the Town of Pearl River annexation and rezoning of 327 acres, Pearl River, LA. Property is located on Porters River Road, South of I-59 Mobile Home Park, situation in Section(s) 13, 18, 37 Township 8 South, Range 14 & 15 East (Ward 8, District 9). (Cogle/Cooper)
- Cogle – explained that there will be a substitute resolution and went into details of the substitution.
- Liner – said that Cogle explained it correctly.
- Cogle – asked if they could give more than 3 minutes to the mayor.
- Impastato – said they could decide that at the meeting.
- Laughlin – asked how much time.
- Cogle – explained that some will be against this.
- Laughlin – asked for clarification on the merits of what they will speak about.
- Couvillion and Cogle made comments.
- President Cooper – asked what they were voting on and clarification on this matter.
- Discussion ensued regarding the Growth Management Agreement and the Sales tax.
- **It was explained that the annexation can occur whether the Council concurs or not.
- Corbin – moved to refer to the full Council, seconded by Tanner. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O'Brien).
- Impastato - **8. Resolution Council Series No. C-6916** - Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds in escrow from the Voluntary Developmental Agreements to Capital Fund 222-4001 – Economic Development – Planning. (Impastato/Cooper)
- Impastato – said he was told that it should say Tanner/Cooper.
- Tanner – moved to refer to the full Council, seconded by Phillips. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O'Brien).
- Impastato - **11. Resolution Council Series No. C-6919** - Resolution to initiate pilot program to identify and inspect on-site sewage disposal systems in Council Districts 1, 2, 4, 7, and 11. (Laughlin/Impastato)

- Phillips – said he wants to make sure District 5 is added.
- Brown – explained that they will divide the thousand homes among any districts that want to participate.
- Corbin – said he would like to add District 13.
- Couvillion – said this allows any Councilmember the option to opt in by contacting the Director without having to amend the resolution.
- Corbin – said he can do whatever is easier.
- Phillips – said he would like for his district to be added to the resolution.
- Burke – said he would like for District 8 to be added too.
- Corbin – moved to refer to the full Council, seconded by Tanner. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O’Brien).
- Tanner – moved to refer the remainder of agenda to the full Council, seconded by Phillips. Unanimous with three (3) absent (Rolling, Cazaubon, O’Brien).
- There being no further business, meeting adjourned at the call of the Committee Chairman.

JOE IMPASTATO, ACTING COMMITTEE CHAIR

KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK