

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSVILLE, LOUISIANA
TAKEN AT THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024 AT
6:00 PM AT YOUNGSVILLE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. OPENING

1.1 Invocation was led by Pastor Travis Minnich, First Assembly-Youngsville

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance was led by Shannon D. Bares.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Ken Ritter, Shannon D. Bares (Division A), Jamie L. Creed (Division D), Simone B. Champagne (Division E)

ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano (Division B), Mayor Pro Tem Matt Romero (Division C)

STAFF: Nicole Guidry (City Clerk), Terry Bourque (COO), Cody Louviere (Police Chief), Wade Trahan (City Attorney), Cathryn Greig (CFO), Tim Robichaux (Director of Parks & Rec).

3. RECOGNITIONS/PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE MAYOR & COUNCIL

3.1 Stephen Broussard with Bayou Vermilion Districts presented an annual report on activities.

3.2 Logan Lannoo announced his candidacy for City Council, Division D.

4. MINUTES

4.1 Approval of September 12, 2024 meeting minutes

Motion made by Shannon D. Bares, seconded by Simone B. Champagne, approving the September 12, 2024 meeting minutes.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Jamie L. Creed, Simone B. Champagne.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero.

Motion Approved.

5. FINANCE REPORT

5.1 Approval of August 2024 Finance report

Motion made by Jamie Creed, seconded by Simone B. Champagne, approving the August 2024 Finance Report.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Jamie L. Creed, Simone B. Champagne.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero.

Motion Approved.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Brian Clement to request a variance to waive the required minimum depth of 200' for commercial development along Hwy 89 for Le Jardin d'Abel Cottages.

Upon discussing the use of the proposed development as well as the pipeline obstacles, Item 6.1, a request for a variance to waive the required minimum depth of 200' for commercial development along Hwy 89 for Le Jardin d'Abel Cottages, failed for the lack of a motion and second.

- 6.2 Discuss and consider amending the 2024-2025 Sports Complex Fund Budget in the approximate amount of \$126,000 for bridge repairs and bulkheading at the Sports Complex.

Motion made by Simone B. Champagne, seconded by Jamie Creed, to amend the 2024-2025 Sports Complex Fund Budget in the approximate amount of \$126,000 for bridge repairs and bulkheading at the Sports Complex.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Jamie L. Creed, Simone B. Champagne.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero.

Motion Approved.

- 6.3 Discuss and consider amending the 2024-2025 Budget in the approximate amount of \$200,000 to increase funding for repairs to the Guillot Rd./Chemin Metairie Pkwy. Roundabout.

Ms. Pamela Granger provided renderings of the proposed changes to the roundabout (within the 2024 Roadway Improvements Project) that will be partially funded by ARPA dollars. She explained that due to the deplorable condition of the roadbed and a lack of complete grant funding at this time, she recommends amending the budget to increase funding for a more permanent fix to the roadway that will be aligned with the grade of the abutting road repairs.

Motion made by Simone B. Champagne, seconded by Shannon Bares, to amend the 2024-2025 Budget in the approximate amount of \$200,000 to increase funding for repairs to the Guillot Rd./Chemin Metairie Pkwy. Roundabout (2024 Roadway Improvements Project), and further be amended to be funded from the 1968 Sales Tax Fund or a bond issue.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Jamie L. Creed, Simone B. Champagne.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero.

Motion Approved.

7. RESOLUTIONS

- 7.1 Resolution No. 2024-17 - A Resolution of the City of Youngsville authorizing the Mayor to execute a first amendment to a contract with Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. to exclusively provide emergency and non-emergency ground ambulance services and rotor-wing air ambulance transports for the City of Youngsville.

Motion made by Simone B. Champagne, seconded by Shannon D Bares, adopting Resolution No. 2024-17.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Jamie L. Creed, Simone B. Champagne.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero.

Resolution Approved.

- 7.2 Resolution No. 2024-18- A Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Youngsville to extend an Intergovernmental Agreement with Lafayette Consolidated Government for one year concerning assistance with various minor maintenance items.

Motion made by Simone B. Champagne, seconded by Jamie L Creed, adopting Resolution No. 2024-18.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Jamie L. Creed, Simone B. Champagne.

NAYS: None.
ABSTAINED: None.
ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero.
Resolution Approved.

8. ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION

8.1 Ordinance No. 495-2024 - An Ordinance of the City of Youngsville, Louisiana authorizing the City of Youngsville to sell certain immovable surplus property located at 301 Fourth Street, Youngsville, Louisiana, which is not needed for public purposes.

Motion made by Simone B. Champagne, seconded by Shannon D. Bares, adopting Ordinance No. 495-2024.
YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Jamie L. Creed, Simone B. Champagne.

NAYS: None.
ABSTAINED: None.
ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero.
Ordinance Approved.

9. MAYOR & COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

9.1 Mayor/Staff Announcements

- Road Projects: Hwy 89 - Phase 1 about 21% complete. Fortune Road Roundabout – about 33% complete. LA 92/Prescott - 60% design complete. Chemin Agreeable - just received geo tech investigation, working on cost and quantities to put out to bid. 2024 Roadway Improvements - Velasco Crossing opened yesterday, Guillot/CMP roundabout next in line, followed by Nezpique. Larriviere Road Improvements - advertising for bids in December.
- Drainage Projects: Anslem Coulee - waiting on final report from environmental to then be submitted for Corps permitting.
- Water/Sewer Projects: Wastewater Treatment Plant - bid opening postponed 2 weeks from October 30th per bidders' requests. Water Treatment Plant - progress on job on Iberia St. Pump Station 4 - Notice to Proceed has been issued for the beginning of December. Pump Station 3 - Awarded to Southern Constructors.
- Police Department: Chief Louviere thanked everyone for coming to National Night Out as well as the sponsors.
- Cody Louviere announced his candidacy for Chief of Police.
- Sports Complex: Overview of leagues, games and programs. Phase 2 of the Complex as well as the amphitheater & Lions Club Playground were opened this past weekend in conjunction with Rotary's Patch at Park.
- Commended Rotary & Lions Club for their endeavors at the Sports Complex Expansion.
- Congratulated City Clerk Nicole Guidry on becoming an LCMC with LMCA.
- Thanked interim Division D City Councilwoman Jamie Creed for all she has done for the Council and the community.
- Leadership Youngsville Class V presents Holiday Artisan Market on November 30 from 12-4pm. Encouraged vendors to sign up for booth space. Proceeds will fund park benches for the inclusive playground at the expansion.

9.2 Council Announcements

- Ms. Champagne acknowledged Youngsville resident Christine Bayard as a recipient of the Milken Award in the State of LA. The Superintendent of Schools has their first Gumbo Cookoff at LPSS on October 18th at 11:00 am. She and Mayor Ritter were honored to attend the JAG Program at YMS. Ascension Episcopal School Homecoming to be held this weekend. Announced the VFW Chili Cookoff to be held on November 2.

- On behalf of the Youngsville Rotary Club, Ms. Creed thanked the City and YSC for allowing the club to have the first event at the amphitheater. She also thanked the council for appointing her to Division D and having the confidence in her to serve the City.
- On behalf of the Youngsville Lions Club, Ms. Bares thanked the City for the all-inclusive playground ribbon cutting - and the fantastic turnout. The Club will be hosting a Car Show fundraiser this Saturday in the Stines parking lot.

10. ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Adjourn Meeting

Motion made by Simone B. Champagne, seconded by Shannon D. Bares, to adjourn the meeting.
YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Jamie L. Creed, Simone B. Champagne.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero.

Motion Approved.

/s/ Nicole Guidry

Nicole Guidry, City Clerk

/s/ Ken Ritter

Ken Ritter, Mayor