

Minutes of a special meeting of the Plaquemines Parish Council held in the Plaquemines Parish Temporary Courthouse, 450 F. Edward Hebert Blvd., Belle Chasse, Louisiana, on Wednesday, July 30, 2008, at 10:15 a.m. pursuant to notice to all members with a quorum present as follows:

PRESENT: Council Member John J. Friedman, Chairman
Council Member Lynda G. Banta, Vice-Chairman
Council Member Keith Hinkley
Council Member Jerry Hodnett
Council Member Irvin Juneau
Council Member Anthony L. Buras, Jr.
Council Member Burghart Turner
Council Member Marla Cooper

Melissa P. LeBlanc, Secretary

ABSENT: Council Member Don Beshel

Mr. Billy Nungesser, Parish President, is present representing Administration.

Mr. Kevin Conner is present representing the Council.

Mr. Mike Mullin and Mr. Eric Lundin are present representing Administration.

Superior Court Reporting is present recording the entire Special Meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member John J. Friedman.

The following individuals were subpoenaed by the Plaquemines Parish Council to testify at today's Hearings:

Mr. William Nungesser, Parish President
Mrs. Nancy Gordon, Human Resources Manager
Mrs. Wanda Buras, Supervisor
Mr. William Paradelas, Civil Service Director
Mr. Gary Ragas, Director of Administration
Mr. Byron Williams, Director of Public Services
Mr. Robert Forshee

Council Member Friedman moved to advance to Agenda Item 3, "Hearing and Investigation regarding the attendance of Plaquemines Parish Government Employees at the Council Meeting of March 13, 2008". Without objections, so ordered.

Council Member Friedman moved a recess a 10:35 a.m.

The Meeting came back to order at 11:30 a.m., with all members present except Council Member Beshel, absent.

Council Member Friedman moved to temporarily pass over Agenda Item 3, "Hearing and Investigation regarding the attendance of Plaquemines Parish Government Employees at the Council Meeting of March 13, 2008". Without objections, so ordered.

Council Member Friedman moved to revert to Agenda Item 2, "Hearing and Investigation regarding the hiring of Deep South Investigations for the sole purpose of investigating the Port Director based upon complaints made to the Human Resource Department". Without objections, so ordered.

Council Member Beshel arrived and will be present for the remainder of the meeting.

Council Member Friedman stated, "Item 2 is deferred to allow the Port Director to confer with his legal counsel".

Council Member Friedman moved to revert to Agenda Item 3, "Hearing and Investigation regarding the attendance of Plaquemines Parish Government Employees at the Council Meeting of March 13, 2008". Without objections, so ordered.

The Parish President, Billy Nungesser, was sworn in to testify regarding Agenda Item 3, "Hearing and Investigation regarding the attendance of Plaquemines Parish Government Employees at the Council Meeting of March 13, 2008".

There being no further business to come before this Council, on motion of Council Member Friedman, seconded by Council Member Juneau, and on roll call all members present and voting "Yes", the meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary