

Minutes of a special meeting of the Plaquemines Parish Council held at South Plaquemines School, 311 Civic Drive, Port Sulphur, Louisiana, on Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 9:00 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 Don Beshel
Council Member Keith Hinkley
Council Member Jerry Hodnett
Council Member Anthony L. Buras, Jr.
Council Member Burghart Turner

Melissa P. LeBlanc, Secretary

ABSENT: Council Member Stuart J. Guey
Council Member Marla Cooper

Mr. Billy Nungesser, Parish President, is absent.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 08-449

On motion of Council Member Turner, seconded by Council Member Friedman, and on roll call all members present voting "Yes", except Council Members Guey and Cooper, absent, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Council Attorney, Kevin D. Conner, to file all necessary pleadings, including an Injunction, to prohibit the awarding of bids and/or construction of the Port Sulphur Library at the old site in Port Sulphur, Louisiana; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Parish Council desires that a new library be constructed in a different location; and

WHEREAS, legislation has been passed by the Plaquemines Parish Council and the Plaquemines Parish School Board approving the construction of a new library at a different location; and

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Parish President's actions in seeking to rebuild the Port Sulphur Library at the original site is in contravention with the policies set by the Plaquemines Parish Council;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Plaquemines Parish Council that it hereby authorizes and directs the Council Attorney, Kevin D. Conner, to file all necessary pleadings, including an injunction, to prohibit the awarding of bids and/or construction of the Port Sulphur Library at the old site in Port Sulphur, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plaquemines Parish Council that the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-450

On motion of Council Member Turner, seconded by All Council Members, and on roll call all members present voting “Yes”, except Council Members Guey and Cooper, absent, the following resolution was adopted:

A Resolution appointing Mr. Amos J. Cormier, III, as the Plaquemines Parish Council Attorney; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Plaquemines Parish Council that it hereby appoints Mr. Amos J. Cormier, III, as the Plaquemines Parish Council Attorney, effective January 1, 2009, to serve until a successor is appointed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plaquemines Parish Council that the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Council Member Beshel moved to suspend any and all rules necessary to add to the Agenda and to consider at today’s meeting a Resolution entitled, “A Resolution of the Plaquemines Parish Council authorizing the Parish President, Billy Nungesser, to enter into negotiations with the Plaquemines Parish School Board for the acquisition of the Woodlawn Building and property; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto”.

Council Member Friedman seconded the motion to suspend the rules.

The Motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Don Beshel, Keith Hinkley, Jerry Hodnett, Anthony L. Buras, Burghart Turner, John J. Friedman and Lynda G. Banta

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members Stuart J. Guey and Marla Cooper

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Motion was adopted on this the 18th day of December, 2008.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-451

On motion of Council Member Beshel, seconded by Council Member Hinkley, and on roll call all members present voting “Yes”, except Council Member Hodnett, abstained, and Council Members Guey and Cooper, absent, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution of the Plaquemines Parish Council authorizing the Parish President, Billy Nungesser, to enter into negotiations with the Plaquemines Parish School Board for the acquisition of the Woodlawn Building and property; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, the northern east bank of Plaquemines Parish currently has no public facility or auditorium to serve its residents; and

WHEREAS, there is currently FEMA funds available to assist in this acquisition;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Plaquemines Parish Council hereby authorizes Parish President, Billy Nungesser, to enter into negotiations with the Plaquemines Parish School Board for the acquisition of the Woodlawn Building and property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plaquemines Parish Council that it hereby authorizes use of FEMA funds to assist in this acquisition.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Council Member Turner moved to suspend any and all rules necessary to add to the Agenda and to consider at today's meeting a Resolution entitled, "A Resolution to declare Friday, January 2, 2009, the Day After New Year's, as an approved holiday for Plaquemines Parish Government Employees".

Council Member Buras seconded the motion to suspend the rules.

The Motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members Don Beshel, Keith Hinkley, Jerry Hodnett, Anthony L. Buras, Burghart Turner, John J. Friedman and Lynda G. Banta

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Members Stuart J. Guey and Marla Cooper

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Motion was adopted on this the 18th day of December, 2008.

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On motion of Council Member Turner, seconded by Council Member Buras, and on roll call all members present voting "Yes", except Council Member Hodnett, abstained, and Council Members Guey and Cooper, absent, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution to declare Friday, January 2, 2009, the Day After New Year's, as an approved holiday for Plaquemines Parish Government Employees.

WHEREAS, New Year's Day falls on a Thursday this year, and it is the sense of this Council that it grant its employees Friday, January 2, 2009, as a Holiday;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Plaquemines Parish Council that it hereby declares Friday, January 2, 2009, the Day After New Year's as an approved holiday for Plaquemines Parish Government Employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plaquemines Parish Council that the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

There being no further business to come before this Council, on motion of Council Member Friedman, seconded by Council Member Buras, and on roll call all members present voting "Yes", except Council Members Guey and Cooper, absent, the meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Chairman

Secretary

Minutes of a special meeting of the Plaquemines Parish Council, as the sole governing authority of the Plaquemines Parish Port, Harbor and Terminal District, held at South Plaquemines School, 311 Civic Drive, Port Sulphur, Louisiana, on Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 9:54 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 Don Beshel
Council Member Keith Hinkley
Council Member Jerry Hodnett
Council Member Anthonly L. Buras
Council Member Burghart Turner

Melissa P. LeBlanc, Secretary

ABSENT: Council Member Stuart J. Guey
Council Member Marla Cooper

Mr. Billy Nungesser, Parish President is absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was dispensed with.

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions.

- (1) An Ordinance authorizing and creating the Plaquemines Port Harbor and Terminal District Advisory Committee; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
COUNCIL MEMBER BESHEL

There being no further business to come before this Council, sitting as the sole governing authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, on motion of Council Member Friedman, seconded by Council Member Hinkley, and on roll call all members present voting "Yes", except Council Members Guey and Cooper, absent, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Chairman

Secretary