

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL**

**SPECIAL MEETING - MAY 21, 2019**

The St. Martin Parish Council met in Special Session pursuant to the following Notice of Special Meeting:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

Chairwoman Lisa Nelson has called a **Special Meeting** of the St. Martin Parish Council for 4:30 P.M., Tuesday, May 21, 2019, Belle River Recreation Complex, 1413 Highway 70, Pierre Part, Louisiana, in accordance with the Provisions of the St. Martin Parish Home Rule Charter, Section 2.07, Council Meetings and Rules, Paragraph C, to consider the following items:

1) CALL TO ORDER

2) INVOCATION

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4) ROLL CALL

5) SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Placement on the agenda of June 4, 2019, the determination to approve or disapprove the application of Peppers Unlimited of Louisiana, Inc. (#20170621-ITE) for an Industrial Tax Exemption.

6) ORDINANCE INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC MEETING:

SUMMARY NO. 1264-OR (Introduced by Lisa Nelson, District 2)

Adoption of Ordinance No. 1264-OR, an Ordinance providing for the adoption of Millage Rate(s) for the Tax Year 2019.

7) RESOLUTION:

SUMMARY NO. 051-RS (Introduced by Dean LeBlanc, District 8)

A Resolution awarding the contract to the low bidder, M. Matt Durand, L.L.C. for the replacement of Potato Shed Road Bridge, all as recommended by engineers for the project, Huval & Associates, Inc.

8) ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

None.

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### **9) ADJOURNMENT**

*NOTE: According to the Home Rule Charter, Section 2.07, Paragraph C, "the power of the Council to act at a special or emergency meeting shall be limited, under penalty of nullity, to the objects specifically enumerated in the call."*

Laci Laperouse, Clerk of the Council  
St. Martin Parish Council  
301 West Port Street  
St. Martinville, Louisiana 70582  
337-394-2200

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The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Lisa Nelson.

The Invocation was read by Laci Laperouse and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Daniel Richard, Jr.

The following members were present: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr. Members absent: Jason Willis (excused) and Neil Thibodeaux (excused). Also present: Parish President Chester Cedars, Director of Administration Calder Hebert, Director of Finance Sean Hundley and Director of Public Works Martin Poirrier.

Clerk of the Council Laci Laperouse read aloud the following Special Business Item:

Placement on the agenda of June 4, 2019, the determination to approve or disapprove the application of Peppers Unlimited of Louisiana, Inc. (#20170621-ITE) for an Industrial Tax Exemption.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Chris Tauzin that the above matter be placed on the June 4, 2019 Regular Meeting agenda.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard,  
Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Jason Willis (excused) and Neil Thibodeaux (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 21st day of May, 2019.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Dean LeBlanc to open the Public Hearing to obtain public comments regarding the ordinance being considered for final adoption.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard,  
Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Jason Willis (excused) and Neil Thibodeaux (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 21st day of May, 2019.

Chairwoman Lisa Nelson asked for public comments regarding the proposed ordinance being considered for final adoption.

Clerk of the Council Laci Laperouse read the ordinance summary.

Parish President Chester Cedars stated the Parish is maintaining the same rates as the previous year, except for the Fire Protection Maintenance millage and the Courthouse & Law Enforcement Center millage. Parish President Chester Cedars stated those two (2) millages are being increased to the adjusted maximum millage.

Upon requesting and hearing no further comments from the audience regarding the proposed ordinance being considered for final adoption, the Chairwoman requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Jill Hebert that the Public Hearing be closed.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Jason Willis (excused) and Neil Thibodeaux (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 21st day of May, 2019.

A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Jill Hebert that the following ordinance be adopted:

### **ORDINANCE NO. 19-05-1264-OR**

#### **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF MILLAGE RATE(S) FOR THE TAX YEAR 2019.**

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council that the Assessor be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to assess the following millage on the assessment rolls for the year 2019.

	MILLAGE	KEY
GENERAL PARISH ALIMONY	2.270 mills	1067004
CORPORATE CRIMINAL	0.990 mills	1067005
ROAD MAINTENANCE	3.720 mills	1067014
HEALTH UNIT MAINTENANCE & OPERATION	2.680 mills	1067009
FIRE PROTECTION MAINTENANCE	5.820 mills	1067013
COURTHOUSE & LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER	2.130 mills	1067012
DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE	5.270 mills	1067015
RECREATION MAINTENANCE & OPERATION	1.050 mills	1067011
INDUSTRIAL PARK	1.550 mills	1067018
SUB ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 OF ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1	5.820 mills	1067058
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 2 MAINTENANCE	11.060 mills	1067053
PARISHWIDE BOND SINKING FUND	4.410 mills	1067067

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of the St. Martin Parish Council and the signature of the Parish President.

This Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Chris Tausin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard,  
Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: Jason Willis (excused) and Neil Thibodeaux (excused).

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 21st day of May, 2019.

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A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Daniel Richard, Jr. that the following resolution be adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-051-RS**

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has made an official call for bids for the Potato Shed Road Bridge Replacement Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the advertisement, sealed bids were opened May 7, 2019, and seven (7) complete bid packets were received for said project; and

WHEREAS, the bids were taken under advisement and have been analyzed by Huval & Associates, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Huval & Associates, Inc. has recommended, in writing, the lowest bidder, M. Matt Durand, L.L.C., with a low bid in the amount of \$549,550.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby award the contract for the Potato Shed Road Bridge Replacement Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, to the low bidder, M. Matt Durand, L.L.C., in the amount of \$549,550.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize Parish President Chester Cedars to sign all necessary contract documents to effect the award of this contract.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Lisa Nelson, Chris Tauzin, Jill Hebert, Albert Menard,  
Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: Jason Willis (excused) and Neil Thibodeaux (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 21st day of May, 2019.

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A motion was made by Albert Menard and seconded by Daniel Richard, Jr. that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby adjourn. Motion was unanimously approved.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:

  
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LACI LAPEROUSE  
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL