

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING - JULY 7, 2020

The St. Martin Parish Council met in Regular Session convened at 5:01 P.M., Tuesday, July 7, 2020, Carroll J. Fuselier Meeting Room, St. Martin Parish Annex Building, 301 West Port Street, St. Martinville, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dean LeBlanc.

The Invocation was read by Laci Laperouse and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Carla JeanBatiste.

The following members were present: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc. Members absent: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused). Also present: Parish President Chester Cedars, Director of Administration Calder Hebert, Director of Public Works Kasey Courville, Deputy Clerk of the Council/PIO Brooke Gillespie and Parish Attorney Allan Durand.

A motion was made by Byron Fuselier and seconded by Chris Tauzin to approve the minutes of the St. Martin Parish Council Regular Meeting of June 2, 2020.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Carla JeanBatiste to approve the Council to sit as a Board of Adjustment.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

The Council met as a Board of Adjustment to consider granting an exception to Debra Living and JoAnna Sam to open a lounge, located at 1900 Mills Highway/Louisiana Highway 94, Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. The following individuals were present at this meeting: Brandy Melancon of HiTech Games, Inc., JoAnna Sam and Debra Living (owners of Jo'Dee's Bar) and Randy Angelle (Attorney for HiTech Games, Inc.). It was noted this property is currently zoned to allow for this type of business; however, the issue is that the bar is within 300 feet from the nearest residence. Said residence is across a bayou and lies within Lafayette Parish. Council Member Vincent Alexander motioned to grant the exception. Chairman Dean LeBlanc requested that this exception be for this bar (business) owner only (JoAnna Sam and Debra Living) any other owner only will have to come back before the Board to request otherwise.

A motion was made by Vincent Alexander and seconded by Chris Tauzin grant an exception to Debra Living and JoAnna Sam only to open a lounge within 300 feet of a residence, at 1900 Mills Highway, Louisiana Highway 94, Breaux Bridge, Louisiana.

This motion to allow for this bar (business) owner only, to open said business within 300 feet of a residence, having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the exception was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

A motion was made by David Poirier and seconded by Carla JeanBatiste that the Council return to Regular Session.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Byron Fuselier to open the Public Hearing to obtain public comments regarding ordinances being considered for final adoption.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

Chairman Dean LeBlanc asked for public comment regarding the proposed ordinances being considered for final adoption.

Clerk of the Council Laci Laperouse read each Ordinance Summary.

Upon requesting and hearing no comments from the audience regarding the proposed ordinances being considered for final adoption, Chairman Dean LeBlanc requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by David Poirier that the Public Hearing be closed.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

A motion was made by Chris Tausin and seconded by David Poirier that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 20-07-1291-OR

An Ordinance authorizing the Parish President to execute an agreement with the Office of Gulf Coast Restoration, Department of the Treasury of the United States for the continued use of the New Floating Docks Project at Clayton Boudreaux Memorial Park and Uncle Dick Davis Park.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the RESTORE Act, the St. Martin Parish Government has been granted funding for the construction of floating docks at both the Clayton Boudreaux Memorial Park and Uncle Dick Davis Park, all in St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the project is known as “The New Floating Docks Project at Clayton Boudreaux Memorial Park and Uncle Dick Davis Park” (hereinafter “The Project”); and

WHEREAS, in connection with The Project, it is necessary that the St. Martin Parish Government enter into an agreement with the Office of Gulf Coast Restoration, Department of Treasury of the United States establishing that each of the floating docks will be subject to continued use by the public:

BE IT, THEREFORE, ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council that the Parish President be and is hereby directed, empowered, and authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Office of Gulf Coast Restoration, Department of the Treasury of the United States containing such terms, conditions, and provisions necessary to ensure the public use of the floating docks to be constructed at Clayton Boudreaux Memorial Park and Uncle Dick Davis Park.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council that the Parish President be and is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to incorporate in any such agreement such other terms, conditions, and provisions as he may deem necessary and fit in order to effectuate the above and foregoing edict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective as provided by Section 2-12 of the Home Rule Charter of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

(Parish Attorney Allan Durand stepped out at 5:07 p.m. and returned at 5:09 p.m.)

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 20-07-1292-OR

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF MILLAGE RATE(S) FOR THE TAX YEAR 2020.

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 2020.

	MILLAGE	KEY
GENERAL PARISH ALIMONY	2.220 mills	1067004
CORPORATE CRIMINAL	0.97125 mills	1067005
ROAD MAINTENANCE	3.630 mills	1067014
HEALTH UNIT MAINTENANCE & OPERATION	2.620 mills	1067009
FIRE PROTECTION MAINTENANCE	5.680 mills	1067013
COURTHOUSE & LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER	2.080 mills	1067012
DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE	5.140 mills	1067015
RECREATION MAINTENANCE & OPERATION	1.020 mills	1067011
INDUSTRIAL PARK	1.510 mills	1067018
ROAD DISTRICT NO. 2 MAINTENANCE	11.180 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, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

A motion was made by David Poirier and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-046-RS

A RESOLUTION APPROVING, AUTHORIZING, RATIFYING AND/OR AFFIRMING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION FOR THE LETTING OF THREE (3) 2019 CATERPILLAR D6NLGP TRACT-TYPE DOZERS FOR A TERM OF FIVE (5) YEARS.

WHEREAS, the ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT is in need of three Tract-Type Dozers; and

WHEREAS, the Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation has agreed to lease the dozers to the St. Martin Parish Government for a period of five years; and

WHEREAS, the lease of the equipment is a “pure” lease and does not provide for a purchase of the dozers at the end of the lease term:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Parish President is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to confect a lease agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services for three Caterpillar Model D6NLGP Tract-Type Crawler Dozers, the said term of each lease being five (5) years and providing for a monthly lease amount of \$3,894.08 per dozer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any accord confected by and between the ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT and Caterpillar Financial Services shall contain such other terms, conditions, and provisions as the Parish President, acting in his uncontrolled discretion, may deem appropriate.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

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A motion was made by Vincent Alexander and seconded by Carla JeanBatiste that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-047-RS

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT FOR A GRANT UNDER 49 CFR 5311, NON-URBANIZED AREA FORMULA PROGRAM AND/OR 49 CFR 5309, DISCRETIONARY CAPITAL PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation and Development is authorized to make grants for mass transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provisions by it of the local share of project costs; and

WHEREAS, it is required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in accord with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the Applicant that minority business enterprise be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and that definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority businesses shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment, or consultant and other services:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL:

1. That the PARISH PRESIDENT is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, to aid in the financing of operating and/or capital assistance projects pursuant to the Rural Public Transit Program, 49 CFR 5311 and/or the Discretionary Capital Program, 49 CFR 5309.
2. That the PARISH PRESIDENT is authorized to execute and file with such applications an assurance or any other document required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.
3. That the PARISH PRESIDENT is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development may require in connection with the application or the project.
4. That the PARISH PRESIDENT is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.
5. That the PARISH PRESIDENT is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for aid in the financing of the operating or capital assistance projects.
6. This resolution is applicable for a period of one year unless revoked by the governing body and copy of such revocation shall be furnished to the DOTD.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

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A motion was made by Byron Fuselier and seconded by David Poirier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-048-RS

WHEREAS, it is with pride that we recognize 2020 as the Year to Embrace the Gulf and acknowledge the Gulf of Mexico's importance to the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf of Mexico is an ocean basin bounded on the north, northeast, and northwest by the Gulf Coast of the United States, on the south and southwest by Mexico, and on the southeast by Cuba; and the Gulf of Mexico is bordered by five Gulf Coast states: Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas; and the Gulf region contributes to the nation's economy, security, energy, environment, heritage, beauty, diversity, and resilience; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf of Mexico's watershed covers more than half of the continental United States and the Mississippi River drains more than one-third of the nation, and it is characterized with diverse flora and fauna, provides food, shelter, and habitat to marine and estuarine organisms, shorebirds, waterfowl, and wildlife, and the Gulf Coast supports our nation's seafood industry through commercial fishing but also provides recreational adventures such as sailing, kayaking, canoeing, paddle boarding, and fishing; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf of Mexico is more than just a pretty picture; it provides thousands of miles of beautiful, affordable shoreline living, and the Gulf Coast region is also one of the most culturally diverse regions in the nation with millions of residents tracing their heritage to Europe, Africa, Asia, and Latin America, and the Gulf Coast embraces a variety of traditions and invokes a strong sense of place; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf region plays a vital role in our nation's defense and aerospace exploration; moreover, it is crucial to oil, gas, and energy production, as well as import and export trade; and

WHEREAS, Gulf Coast tourism generates hundreds of billions of dollars each year, and if the Gulf area were a country, our economy would rank among the top 10 worldwide, and by increasing awareness of the Gulf of Mexico's many treasures and limitless value, we ensure a sustainable future; now therefore.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martin Parish Council, that we do hereby acknowledge and observe 2020 as:

THE YEAR TO EMBRACE THE GULF

and encourage the citizens of Louisiana to commemorate its observance beginning January 1, 2020.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin, seconded by the entire Parish Council, and, therefore, unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-049-RS

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GRANTING OF ASSISTANCE TO THE DEEP WATER BASIN CRAWFISH INDUSTRY UNDER THE CARES ACT.

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”); and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act provides a substantial stimulus package to mitigate the economical effects of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Crawfish industry is an integral component of the Louisiana Aquaculture; and

WHEREAS, the harvesting of crawfish is a seasonal industry with its peak being in the Spring and early summer months; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the closure of restaurants and the diminishing of substantial gatherings such as festivals and social events, all of which provide essential markets for the Louisiana crawfish industry; and

WHEREAS, the portion of the crawfish industry which harvest from the natural waters of the State of Louisiana and/or the United States have been especially negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the financial impact on those fishermen who harvest from natural waters have been impacted to a degree equal to, if not greater than, those fishermen who harvest from “farm raised” sources; and

WHEREAS, there is no rational basis to distinguish between the fishermen who harvest from natural waters and those who harvest from farm raised sources, especially as regards recovery and relief under the CARES Act; and

WHEREAS, it is of critical import that the segment of the Louisiana Aquaculture Industry that includes those crawfishermen who harvest from natural waters be eligible for relief under the CARES Act to the same extent as other segments of the crawfish industry:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL and PARISH PRESIDENT do hereby publicly declare and publish its unconditional support for providing relief under the CARES Act to the Louisiana Crawfishermen who harvest from the natural waters of the State of Louisiana and/or United States, finding that the negative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on that industry is substantial and verifiable. Moreover, the foregoing have determined that the COVID-19 pandemic has been equally devastating to those fishermen as it has been to any other segment of the Louisiana Acquaculture industry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to United States Senator Bill Cassidy, United States Senator John Kennedy, United States Congressman Clay Higgins, the Executive Director of the Police Jury Association of Louisiana, Governor John Bel Edwards, and the Louisiana state legislative delegation.

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

- YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

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A motion was made by Tangie Narcisse and seconded by David Poirier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-050-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing a member to serve on the St. Martin Parish Library Board whose term has expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mrs. Freda Harrison to serve on the St. Martin Parish Library Board for a five (5) year term expiring on July 1, 2025.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tausin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

A motion was made by Byron Fuselier and seconded by Chris Tauzin that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-051-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing a member to serve on the St. Martin Parish Recreation District No. 1 Committee whose term has expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Ms. Linda P. Cooke for a five (5) year term expiring on July 6, 2025, to serve as a member of the St. Martin Parish Recreation District No. 1 Committee.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-052-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council regretfully accepted the resignation of Mr. Charles Durand and Mr. Gary Carter, Sr. as members of the St. Martin Parish Board of Waterworks Commissioners District No. 4 (Catahoula); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Donnie Laviolette has been recommended to fill the vacancy of the St. Martin Parish Board of Waterworks Commissioners District No. 4 (Catahoula) created by Mr. Durand's resignation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Nanette Theriot has been recommended to fill the vacancy of the St. Martin Parish Board of Waterworks Commissioners District No. 4 (Catahoula) created by Mr. Carter's resignation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby appoint Mr. Donnie Laviolette for a five (5) year term expiring on July 7, 2025, and Ms. Nanette Theriot for a two (2) year term expiring on July 7, 2022, to serve as a member on the St. Martin Parish Board of Waterworks Commissioners District No. 4 (Catahoula).

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

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A motion was made by Carla JeanBatiste and seconded by David Poirier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-053-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing members of the St. Martin Parish Waterworks District No. 3 Board (Cade) whose terms have expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Roland Kerlegan, Ms. Nikki Girouard, and Ms. Cynthia Victor, all for a three (3) year terms expiring on July 2, 2023, to serve as members on the St. Martin Parish Waterworks District No. 3 Board (Cade).

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

- YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: Brook Champagne (excused) and Daniel Richard, Jr. (excused).

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

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Clerk of the Council Laci Laperouse read the ordinance introduced for publication, as follows:

SUMMARY NO. 1293-OR (Introduced by Brook Champagne, District 6)

An Ordinance of the St. Martin Parish Council amending and re-enacting Section 4.15 of the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual of St. Martin Parish Government relating to Health, Accident and Life Insurance Coverage to provide that members of the St. Martin Parish Council shall be eligible to participate in the St. Martin Parish Government Group Health, Accident and Life Insurance plan only upon the payment by them of the entirety of the monthly premiums due and owing as a result of their participation in such plan; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.


Prior to adjournment, Parish President Chester Cedars briefed the Council Members on a few matters. Parish President Chester Cedars stated the first St. Martin Parish Government employee tested positive for COVID-19. All procedures regarding this was followed through. Parish

President Chester Cedars also noted the water level is dropping in Lower St. Martin Parish. Parish President Chester Cedars mentioned the Cecilia Civic Center held its first event, and there are about three more contracts for future events. Finally, Parish President Chester Cedars stated he is very optimistic of the nuisance remediation.

Council Member Vincent Alexander thanked everyone wearing face masks which are helping to protect others. Mr. Alexander encouraged others to join in.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin seconded by David Poirier that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby adjourn. Motion was unanimously approved.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:



LACI LAPEROUSE
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL