

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING - DECEMBER 19, 2023

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Chairwoman Carla JeanBatiste has called a **Special Meeting** of the St. Martin Parish Council for 4:25 P.M., Tuesday, December 19, 2023, Carroll J. Fuselier Meeting Room Annex Building, 301 West Port Street, St. Martinville, 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:

None.

6) ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

None.

7) RESOLUTION:

SUMMARY NO. 100-RS (Requested by Parish President Chester Cedars)

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Parish President to execute for and on behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government, a Certificate of Substantial Completion, pertaining to the Herman Dupuis Road Pontoon Bridge Replacement Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

8) ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

None.

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."

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The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Carla JeanBatiste.

The Invocation was read by Brooke Thibodeaux, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dean LeBlanc.

Chairwoman Carla JeanBatiste called the meeting to order with the following members present: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander, Dean LeBlanc and Daniel Richard, Jr. Members absent: David Poirier (excused). Also present: Parish President Chester Cedars, Director of Administration Dale Benoit, Director of Public Works Wes Dupuis, Director of Finance Sean Hundley, Deputy Clerk of the Council Chantelle Dever and Parish Attorney Allan Durand (*arrived at 4:29 P.M.*).

Parish President Chester Cedars discussed Resolution Summary No. 100-RS. Parish President Chester Cedars explained this substantial completion is at the request of the engineer and contractor. (*Parish Attorney Allan Durand entered at 4:29 P.M.*)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 23-100-RS

RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT, ST. MARTIN PARISH, LOUISIANA, A CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION, ALL PERTAINING TO THE HERMAN DUPUIS ROAD PONTOON BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT (PROJECT NO. 6906), ST. MARTIN PARISH, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, Shavers-Whittle Construction, LLC, 815 Rapatel Street, Mandeville, Louisiana 70448, has substantially completed the work on the Herman Dupuis Road Pontoon Bridge Replacement Project (Engineer's Project No. 6906) which was the object of the contract previously awarded for the said Engineer's Project Number 6906; and

WHEREAS, the engineer for the project, Huval & Associates, Inc. now recommends that a Certificate of Substantial Completion be granted relative to the said project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martin Parish Council, in Special Session convened on the 19th day of December, 2023, that Parish President Chester Cedars be and is hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to execute a Certificate of Substantial Completion for and on behalf of the St. Martin Parish Government accepting the work of Shavers-Whittle Construction, LLC as regards the Herman Dupuis Road Pontoon Bridge Replacement Project addressed in Engineer's Project Number 6906, the engineer for the said project, Huval & Associates, Inc., certifying that the subject project is substantially complete pursuant to the contract executed therefor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Parish President, Chester Cedars, be and is authorized, directed and empowered to record a copy of said Certificate in the proper records of the Office of Clerk of Court of St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 19th day of December, 2023.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and especially all subcontractors, architects, engineers, master-mechanics, workmen, laborers, and furnishers of material, machinery, and fixtures.

Public Notice is given, according to law, that the undersigned Owner has accepted the work done by Shavers and Whittle Construction, LLC, 815 Rapatel Street, Mandeville, Louisiana, under its contract with said Firm pertaining to the Herman Dupuis Road Pontoon Bridge Replacement Project, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

All subcontractors, architects, engineers, master-mechanics, workmen, laborers, and furnishers of materials, machinery, fixtures, and supplies must assert whatever claims they have against the said Contractor, growing out of the execution of the Contract.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at St. Martin Parish, Louisiana on this 19th day of December, 2023.

OWNER: ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT

BY: /s/Chester Cedars
Parish President Chester Cedars

A motion was made by Chris Tazuin seconded by Brook Champagne that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby adjourn. Motion was unanimously approved.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:

Brooke Thibodeaux
BROOKE THIBODEAUX
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL