

**AGENDA
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
FIRST REGULAR MEETING
MAY 10, 2023 – 6:00 PM
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ROOM
FIFTH FLOOR COURTHOUSE
FRANKLIN, LA**

1 – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRPERSON

2 – INVOCATION: -----HON. JAMES BENNETT

3 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: -----HON. MARK A. DUHON

4 – ROLL CALL

5 - READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

A. Second Regular Meeting, April 26, 2023

6 – GUESTS

A. Efrem Randle to appear before the Council to announce the Efrem Zimbalist 3rd Annual Benefit Party to be held on May 20, 2023.

B. Alexis Rack, Chapter President, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (Franklin-Jeanerette Alumnae Chapter) to appear before the Council to promote Red & White Day.

C. Beverly Domengeaux, Executive Director, St. Mary Council on Aging to appear before the Council to discuss the “Older Americans Month” Proclamation.

7 – PUBLIC COMMENT

8 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

Go into Executive Session (if necessary) to receive an oral or written report regarding potential litigation related to the filing and litigation of a civil action for Pump Station 2 & 2A Drainage Improvements project pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 42:17 that, in pertinent part, reads as follows:

A. A public body may hold an executive session pursuant to R.S. 42:16 for one or more of the following reasons:

(2) Strategy sessions or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining, prospective litigation after formal written demand, **or litigation when an open meeting would have a detrimental affect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body.**

9 – REPORT FROM MR. HANAGRIFF, PRESIDENT:

A. Acknowledgement of Older Americans Month Proclamation signed by President Hanagriff and Mayors.

10 – REPORT FROM PERSONNEL:

A. Mr. Jean Paul Bourg, Chief Administrative Officer

11 – REPORT OF COUNCIL MEETINGS:

12 – REPORT OF MEETINGS OTHER THAN COUNCIL MEETINGS:

13 – INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

14 – ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

- A. FOR ADOPTION - An Ordinance levying and imposing a tax of 5.72 mills for the purpose of maintaining and supporting the St. Mary Parish Public Library and its branches as directed by a special election in the Parish of St. Mary, excluding the municipality of Morgan City, for the year 2023; and levying and imposing a thirty-one hundredths (0.31) mills tax on all the property subject to taxation in the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, excluding the City of Morgan City, for the year 2023. (Mr. Olander)
- B. FOR ADOPTION - An Ordinance levying a tax of 7.60 mills Parish Tax located outside the municipalities for all parochial purposes and segregating for local and parochial purposes and levying and imposing a 3.80 mills tax located within the municipalities to help defray the expenses of the Criminal Justice System of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana. (Mr. Olander)
- C. FOR ADOPTION – An Ordinance authorizing the Parish of St. Mary to enter into a Third Amendment to the Lease Agreement with Odyssey House Louisiana, Inc. relative to the lease of property known as Fairview Treatment Center/Claire House located at 1101 Southeast Blvd., Bayou Vista, Louisiana. (Mr. Olander)
- D. FOR ADOPTION - An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2151 providing policies and procedures for districts, agencies, boards, and commissions heretofore or hereafter created by the St. Mary Parish Council or its predecessor, the St. Mary Parish Policy Jury; consolidating and delegating certain governmental functions of said districts, agencies, boards, and commissions; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (Mr. Olander)

15 - RESOLUTIONS:

- A. Proclamation proclaiming the month of May 2023 as Older Americans Month. (Mr. Ina)
- B. Resolution providing for the approval and authorization for Change Order No. 1 relative to the installation of a new elevator at Fairview Treatment Center. (Adm.)
- C. Resolution approving and authorizing the Parish President to execute a Service Agreement with General Informatics, LLC relative to computer systems hosting and maintenance, system analysis, software development, and various IT services. (Adm.)
- D. Resolution authorizing Parish President to execute a contract with the lowest bidder relative to the Concrete Roadway Improvements to Duhon Boulevard. (Adm.)
- E. Resolution authorizing signatures for financial instruments. (Adm.)
- F. Resolution approving the holding of an election in Hospital Service District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, October 14, 2023, to authorize the renewal of a special tax therein. (Adm.)
- G. Resolution approving the holding of an election in Hospital Service District No. 2 of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, October 14, 2023, for various matters. (Adm.)
- H. Resolution approving and authorizing the Parish President to execute a financing agreement for the purpose of procuring “Knuckle Boom Trash Loader and Dump Body with Side Loading Trough”. (Adm.)
- I. Resolution approving the two-year appointment of Jean Paul Bourg, Chief Administrative Officer to the Board of the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority as provided by Chapter 10-D of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. (Adm.)

16 – OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and action, if necessary, on items discussed in Executive Session in reference to Pump Station 2 & 2A Drainage Improvements.
- B. Referred from the April 26, 2023, Regular Council Meeting – Appointments to the following Boards and Commission:

St. Joseph Recreation Park Advisory Committee – 1 Vacancy

Annie K. Boyd – Present Member

17 – NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Kristina Sarai, Director of Government Affairs, Cox Communications, Southeast Region has written to inform that Cox is required to obtain permission from local broadcast stations and cable networks to provide their signals on our channel lineup. We're in discussions renew agreements with the following programmers and broadcasters:

Station	Channel
ABC-WBRZ	5 or 17
News – WBRZ	15
Weather – WBRZ	22

If we're unable to reach a new agreement by the expiration dates, these networks can prevent us from including their stations in our lineup.

Please feel free to contact me at 504-952-2013 should you have any questions.

- B. Charlette Angeron, 911 District Director, has writing to request a waiver to the vacation time policy of St. Mary Parish. As an emergency operations center, our hours of work are completely different from the hours worked at most other parish agencies. We operate twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

Our previous policy that worked well for us for many years, allowed employees to receive pay for up to eighty (80) unused vacation hours per year in lieu of time off. Since our full-time employees all have more than eighty (80) hours of vacation time, they will still be able to take needed time off, and yet reduce the burden on payroll and scheduling.

18 – ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact Lisa C. Morgan, Clerk of the Council at 337-828-4100, Ext. 505, describing the assistance that is necessary.