









The chair addressed agenda item number 23b, "Zoning Reclassification: Rezone Parcel #0472225 from Agriculture (AG) to Rural Single Family Residential (R-1) for Ronnie Borer located at 12120 Arnold Road in Council District 7", and called upon Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse.

Councilman Girlinghouse invited the Council members to look at the map, there are no hindrances that would cause problems for this to be reclassified from agricultural to rural single family. He also commented to advise that there were rural properties all around it.

MOTION was made by Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Randy Delatte to rezone Parcel #0472225 from Agriculture (AG) to Rural Single Family Residential (R-1) for Ronnie Borer located at 12120 Arnold Road in Council District 7.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: YEAS: MR. MACK, MS. SANDEFUR, MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. DELATTE, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. KEEN, MR. TALBERT, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE Thereupon the Chair declared that the Motion had been carried and was adopted on May 11, 2023.

The chair addressed agenda item(s) number(s) 24a, "Board (re)appointments: Fire Protection District No. 8", and called upon Councilman Gerald McMorris.

Councilman McMorris advised that Mr. Fabian Briganc had passed away and he wished to replace him with Mr. Brandt Moran.

MOTION was made by Gerald McMorris and duly seconded by Maurice "Scooter" Keen to appoint Brandt Moran (resident of Council District 6) to Fire Protection District No. 8 to fill the vacancy left by the passing of Mr. Fabian Briganc; and to serve a two (2) year term that will expire on January 1, 2025.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: YEAS: MR. MACK, MS. SANDEFUR, MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. DELATTE, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. KEEN, MR. TALBERT, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE Thereupon the Chair declared that the Motion had been carried and was adopted on May 11, 2023.

The chair addressed agenda item(s) number(s) 24b, "Board (re)appointments: Livingston Parish Planning and Zoning Commission - Erin Sandefur".

The chair announced that this agenda item had been pulled.

The chair addressed agenda item number 25, "Introduction of ordinance: Pink tax exemption for Livingston Parish", and called upon Councilman Garry Talbert to educate them on what was a pink tax.

Councilman Talbert explained that there are certain items that tend to be used by women, more than anybody else. They have been exempted at the state level and the state has given every parish the opportunity to exempt them at the Parish level. This being feminine hygiene products, diapers, those types of items.

The chair asked for clarification if this was sales tax. Councilman Talbert concurred that it was sales tax.

Councilman Talbert stated that in essence, he has proposed a Livingston Parish ordinance that would allow the Parish to exempt those items that are typically used by women. He further explained that you could purchase Advil or a drug and get exempt, but you can't buy feminine hygiene products and those things be taxed exempt, so consequently, all he was saying was that this is where health and beauty aids or some of those certain items pharmaceutical drugs and other things have been exempt from tax, he stated that they should carry that forward to other items that are typically used and consumed by women. He also wished to point out that there were a lot of single women out there in the audience that have children or whatever, and he didn't know if the Councilmembers were aware of how expensive that diapers were. He stated that all he was asking was for the parish consider the pink tax exemption to carry on what the state allows you to do at the local level for women in this particular environment.

The chair wished to clarify that this was to just exempt feminine products? Councilman Talbert wished to make sure that he stated as well as diapers.

Councilman Keen stated that there was a blank spot on the ordinance. Councilman Talbert stated that he was going to be quite honest. They were trying to evaluate at what portion we can exempt at. Councilman Keen advised that if they would have that number before two (2) weeks. He answered in the affirmative and further explained that the Parish has and collects a one (1%) percent sales tax. The school board collects, the question is do they have the ability to grant the sales tax exemption for entities that fall underneath Parish government. He advised that Mr. Moody hasn't finished all of the research with respect to that, so that is why it is blank. Councilman Talbert stated that before the ordinance can be adopted that number will be plugged in, and right now they could plug in one (1%) percent because that it all that the Parish collects, but the question is do they have the ability to exempt other subdivisions within the Parish. He discussed at length sales and use tax.

Councilwoman Erin Sandefur stated that she had some questions, and this is about development, but it is absolutely relevant that some of these houses going back through past Council meetings, tax revenue was talked about that we need the tax revenue in this Parish. She stated that she was all for lower taxes, being a conservative, but questioned why she would support what he was proposing with the tax revenue that was needed in our Parish? She further advised that there was someone in her district that would like for her to bring to Council to kill the taxes on guns and ammunition, and she questioned where does it stop?

Councilman Jeff Ard concurred that the same gentleman had called him about this matter as well.

Councilman Talbert replied that he did not believe that state law did not exempt guns and ammunition, but state law does allow you to exempt these particular products.

Councilman Talbert addressed Councilwoman Sandefur and confronted her by stating, so look, if you don't think that women deserve a break on feminine hygiene products...

Councilwoman Sandefur stated that did not work with her, sorry! There was an open discussion about different tax exemptions and their colors that could be presented.

The chair stated that they could have discussed this all day and he would have loved for this to be presented to the Ordinance committee if Councilman Talbert could put something together, but he opined that he would not want to talk about this ordinance with the committee.

Councilman Talbert stated that last time they had an Ordinance committee meeting, he had a Gravity Drainage meeting that he had to go to, so if there was not a conflict he'll be there, but typically he doesn't get to say when the Ordinance committee meeting is and if he has a conflict and it's something more important, then he's going to go to it instead of the committee meeting.

There was a question as to who made a motion and what the motion was. Councilman Talbert stated that he had made a motion to introduce the ordinance.

Councilman Keen wished to second that motion.

Councilwoman Sandefur wished to make a substitute motion to send it to the Ordinance committee. Councilman Delatte stated that he wished to second her motion.

There was an open discussion about five (5) ordinances that were sent to the Ordinance committee and the sponsorship of these ordinances were questioned. The authority of the committee was also discussed and if something could be introduced or not without a favorable recommendation.

Councilman Shane Mack wished to address the ordinances that Councilman Talbert was referencing. He advised that the committee discussed those ordinances, they took public input, and it was easier for the committee members to understand the intent and the purpose of the ordinance so that they could support it versus just sticking it on the agenda and demanding to vote for me, not really understanding what they were voting on. He offered that for him, that was one of the purposes of sending it to the Ordinance committee. He wished to also state that the committee had recommended some changes to one of those ordinances for the better.

There was a very heated open discussion.

The chair ended the discussion and asked the Council clerk to call for the vote to send the proposed ordinance to the Ordinance committee.

MOTION was made by Erin Sandefur and duly seconded by Randy Delatte to send agenda item number 25, "Introduction of ordinance: Pink tax exemption for Livingston Parish - Garry Talbert" to the Ordinance committee.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: YEAS: MR. MACK, MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ARD, MR. DELATTE, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. KEEN, MR. TALBERT, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE NAYS: MR. WASCOM ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE Thereupon the Chair declared that the Motion had been carried and was adopted on May 11, 2023.

The chair addressed agenda item number 26, "Introduction of ordinance: Prohibition of biological males from competing in female sports in Livingston Parish - Garry Talbert".

Councilman Randy Delatte stated that he wished to make a motion to send this proposed ordinance to the Ordinance committee. Councilwoman Erin Sandefur wished to make the second to this motion.

Councilman Garry Talbert stated that he would like to make a substitute motion that they introduce it tonight.

The chair asked if there was a second to this substitute motion. Having none, the chair declared that the substitute motion failed for a lack of a second.

MOTION was made by Randy Delatte and duly seconded by Erin Sandefur to send agenda item number 26, "Introduction of ordinance: Prohibition of biological males from competing in female sports in Livingston Parish" to the Ordinance committee.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: YEAS: MR. MACK, MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ARD, MR. DELATTE, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. KEEN, MR. TALBERT, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE NAYS: MR. WASCOM ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE Thereupon the Chair declared that the Motion had been carried and was adopted on May 11, 2023.

The chair addressed agenda item number 27, "Introduction of Ordinance: Allocation of revenue to the Parish by DNR on monies generated on state CCS leases - Garry Talbert".

Councilman Garry Talbert stated that he wished to make a motion to send this to the Ordinance committee.

Councilman Randy Delatte stated that he wished to make a substitute motion because he thought that this ordinance is out of compliance with the Home Rule Charter.

Councilman Garry Talbert countered and stated that this allows them to set up permanent funds which they have done which has been done to have jail funds. He further stated that the ordinance sets up a permanent fund to move a third of the revenue to Gravity 8 for drainage. It moves a third of the funds to animal control for animal control operations. He asked Mr. Moody, Parish Legal Counsel, if this ordinance was out of line?

Mr. Moody advised that he had not had the opportunity to study this proposed ordinance as he had only received it late that afternoon before the Council meeting. He felt that it was better for it to go before the Ordinance committee.

Councilman Delatte wished to explain that the example that Councilman Talbert gave was voted upon and approved by the people of Livingston Parish. He stated that the Parish Council could not dedicate money past their current terms of office unless it was voted on approved by an election. He further advised that the Parish Council can present the budget and the Council could amend it. Councilman Delatte stated that it was the same thing as signing a contract, the contract can only be approved within their term. He advised that the Council could send it to the Ordinance committee, but someone needs to explain to the committee why the Council could do this. He further advised that it was opinion that this ordinance was out of order.

Councilman Talbert suggested that the Council send this to the Ordinance committee and let Mr. Moody evaluate it and Councilman Talbert will read his recommendation at that point and time.

Councilman Delatte asked if there was a second to his substitute motion. Councilman Shane Mack wished to second the substitute motion.

There was an open discussion on clarification of what the motion was to be voted upon.

MOTION was made by Randy Delatte and duly seconded by Shane Mack to send agenda item number 27, "Introduction of Ordinance: Allocation of revenue to the Parish by DNR on monies generated on state CCS leases" to the Ordinance committee and allow Mr. Moody to have the opportunity to evaluate the proposed ordinance to advise if it is in compliance with the Home Rule Charter.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: YEAS: MR. MACK, MS. SANDEFUR, MR. ARD, MR. DELATTE, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. KEEN, MR. TALBERT, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE NAYS: MR. WASCOM ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE Thereupon the Chair declared that the Motion had been carried and was adopted on May 11, 2023.

The chair addressed agenda item number 29, "Advertise for a new Council employee - John Wascom".

The chair explained that this particular item was in reference to the creation of the Personnel Committee to oversee Parish Council employees, hiring, firing, discipline, grievances, and there was problems because the Parish also has a Personnel committee established in the Home Rule Charter, and it was determined that the committee was not needed and it has not been used. He advised that he wished to abolish this committee for the Parish Council. He then requested a resolution to authorize Ms. Sandy Teal to advertise for a new Council employee. He explained that the Council office had recently lost an employee and the Deputy Clerk, Caroline Lockhart, would be out in October through January. He wished for the Council to authorize the Council clerk to advertise for an employee and interview people and then bring it before the Council for a choice to be made.

Councilman Talbert questioned the chair for what money would the Council pay them with? The chair advised that it would be the same funds that were used to pay his daughter with. Councilman Talbert questioned, his step-daughter?

Councilwoman Erin Sandefur called point of order. There was a heated open discussion.

MOTION was made by Erin Sandefur and duly seconded by Shane Mack to authorize the Council

clerk to advertise for a new Council employee, interview and bring recommendations to the Council.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: YEAS: MR. MACK, MS. SANDEFUR, MR. WASCOM, MR. ARD, MR. DELATTE, MR. MCMORRIS, MR. KEEN, MR. TALBERT, MR. GIRLINGHOUSE NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE Thereupon the Chair declared that the Motion had been carried and was adopted on May 11, 2023.

The chair wished to address agenda item number 31, "Committee Reports" and then return back to agenda item number 30, "Executive Session with Legal Counsel - John Wascom".

The Council clerk advised that agenda item number 28, "Adopt resolution to add roads for consideration to the Priority Road List - Maurice "Scooter" Keen" had been skipped over and needed to be addressed.

Councilman Keen advised that he had two (2) roads to add for consideration to the Priority Road List.

STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF LIVINGSTON LPR NO. 23-221 MOTION was made by Maurice "Scooter" Keen Tracy Girlinghouse and duly seconded by Tracy Girlinghouse to add the following roads for consideration to the Capital Outlay/Priority Road List: • Neterville - Council District 3 • Harrell - Council District 3

2023 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - ROAD ANALYSIS AND ASSESSMENT 3 - YEAR PRIORITY ROAD LIST PARISH ROAD ENGINEER'S RECOMMENDATION LIST FOR 2023 ROADS. Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE.

Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE. Rows 25-56.

Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE. Rows 57-75.

ROADS THAT ARE NOMINATED FOR CONSIDERATION TO AMEND THE PRIORITY LIST. Table with columns: Council District, Priority Rank, Resolution Number, Date of Adoption.

Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE. Rows 76-100.

Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE. Rows 1-6.

Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE. Rows 7-27.

Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE. Rows 28-56.

Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE. Rows 57-100.

Table with columns: ROAD, LOCATION, DISTRICT, ROAD LENGTH, CONST. COST, CUMULATIVE COST, PRIORITY SCORE. Rows 101-104.

