



St. James Parish Council

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January 17, 2020

Honorable Members
St. James Parish Council

The St. James Parish Council will meet in regular session on **TUESDAY, January 21, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.**, in the Council Chambers of the Parish Courthouse Annex in Vacherie.

Please make every effort to attend.

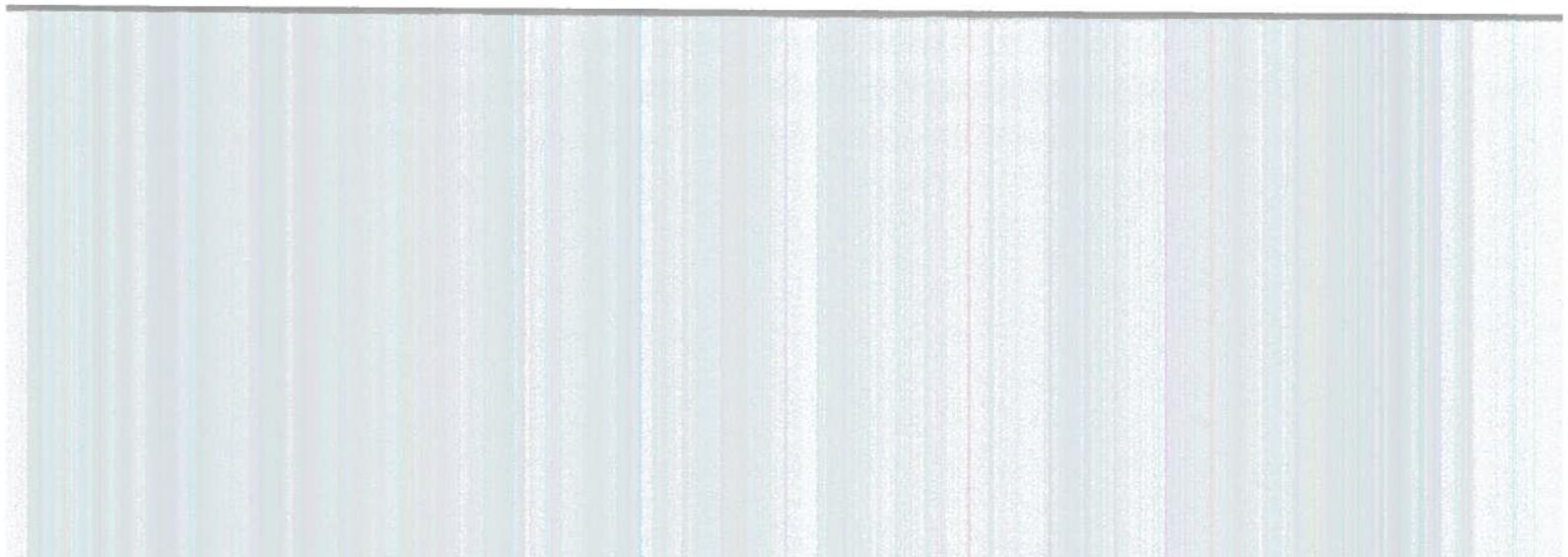
Sincerely,


Linda Hubbell
Secretary

cc: Parish President Pete Dufresne & Staff
Assistant District Attorney Cody Martin
The News Examiner/Enterprise
The Morning Advocate
L'Observateur

Note: St. James Parish will provide, upon request, reasonable accommodation to any disabled individual wishing to attend the meeting. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation is requested to contact 1-800-846-5277 (TDD), 1-800-947-5277 (Voice) or 562-2400 (Handicapped) to discuss the particular accommodation needed.

Alvin St. Pierre, Jr.	Jason Amato	Ryan Louque	Mason Bland	Clyde Cooper	Vondra Steib	Donald Nash
District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5	District 6	District 7



AGENDA
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL
Parish Courthouse Annex – 2631 Hwy 20, Vacherie, LA
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020

6:30 – REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

II. PRAYER & PLEDGE

III. MINUTES

1. Approval of the January 8, 2020 public hearing minutes
2. Approval of the January 8, 2020 regular meeting minutes
3. Approval of the January 13, 2020 organizational meeting minutes

IV. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

"Executive Session- Discussion of Litigation. “Genevieve Butler, et al. v. St. James Parish Council, et al. Suit No. 039685, 23rd Judicial District Court, Parish of St. James, State of Louisiana.” (St. Pierre)

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

VII. PRESENTATIONS

1. Pam Spees, Senior Staff Attorney, Center for Constitutional Rights, burial grounds of enslaved people on the proposed site for Formosa (St. Pierre)
2. Kim Terrell, PhD, Community Outreach Director, Tulane Environmental Clinic- Understanding health risks of industrial pollutants in St. James Parish (St. Pierre)
3. Corinne Van Dalen, Staff Attorney, Earth Justice, Formosa Site Plan, Layout of Units, and Formosa’s Modeled Ethylene Oxide Concentrations (St. Pierre)

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED - None

IX. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

1. Resolution affirming appointments to the St. James Parish Planning Commission (St. Pierre)
2. Resolution affirming appointments to the Lucher Recreation Board (Amato)
3. Resolution affirming appointments to the District 3 Recreation Board (Louque)
4. Resolution affirming appointments to the District 4 Recreation Board (Bland)

X. OLD BUSINESS

1. Director’s Update
 - District 5 Alternate Access Route (Cooper)

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution to approve disbursement of payroll for the January 24, 2020 payroll (Dufresne)
2. Resolution to approve disbursement of funds to pay pending current invoices and payables (Dufresne)
3. Resolution authorizing Parish President Peter Dufresne to sign any and all previously approved grants, contracts, assurances, and documents (Dufresne)
4. St. James parish President Pete Dufresne and the St. James Parish Council proclaims January 26 – February 1, 2020 as Catholic School Week in St. James Parish (Dufresne)
5. Introduction of Proposed Ordinance – Changing the meeting time of the Council meetings to 6:00 p.m. (St. Pierre)

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER’S REPORT

XIII. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

XIV. MOTION TO ADJOURN

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The following resolution was offered and moved for adoption by Councilman _____ and seconded by Councilman _____:

**RESOLUTION 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE ST. JAMES
PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. James Parish Council, that the appointments of the following named members of the St. James Parish Planning Commission are hereby affirmed:

- Parish President Appointee – Danny St. Pierre, 3551 LA 3125, Paulina, LA 70763
- District 1 Representative – Glen Millet, 538 North Montz, Gramercy, LA 70052
- District 2 Representative – Dean Millet, 1669 Cabanose Ave., Lutcher, LA 70071
- District 3 Representative – Mike Krumholt, Jr. 2602 Bellevue Lakes St., Paulina, LA 70763
- District 4 Representative – Anthony Boudreaux, 3201 Antioch St., Paulina, LA 70763
- District 5 Representative – Johnny Lawrence, 5420 Landry/Geason Rd., St. James, LA 70090
- District 6 Representative – Arthur Matherne, 21470 LA 20 West, Vacherie, LA 70090
- District 7 Representative – Ralph Becnel, 19212 Hwy 643, Vacherie, LA 70090

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED that said members shall serve at the pleasure of the Council, with said terms running concurrent with that of the Parish Council.

And, the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 21st day of January 2020.

Council Chairman

Secretary

Delivered to Parish President: _____

Approved: _____

Disapproved: _____

Parish President

Returned to Secretary on _____

At _____ AM/PM

Received by _____

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Linda Hubbell, Secretary of the Council of the Parish of St. James, State of Louisiana, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the St. James Parish Council in regular meeting held on the 21st day of January 2020.

Signed at Vacherie, Louisiana, this 21st day of January 2020.

(S E A L)

Linda Hubbell
Secretary

The following resolution was offered and moved for adoption by Councilman _____ and seconded by Councilman _____:

**RESOLUTION 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE LUTCHER
RECREATION BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. James Parish Council, that the appointments of the following named members of the Lutcher Recreation Board are hereby affirmed:

- Clifton Williamson, P.O. Box 14, Lutcher, Louisiana, 70071
- Michael Barker, P. O. Box 792, Lutcher, Louisiana, 70071
- Lloyd Bartley, P.O. Box 435, Lutcher, Louisiana, 70071
- Steven Riley P.O. Box 659, Lutcher, Louisiana, 70071
- Dennis Roussel, P.O. Box 502, Gramercy, Louisiana, 70052

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED that said members shall serve at the pleasure of the Council, with said terms running concurrent with that of the Parish Council.

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**RESOLUTION 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE DISTRICT 3
RECREATION BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. James Parish Council, that the appointments of the following named members of the District 3 Recreation Board are hereby affirmed:

Craig Poche, 3416 Sugar House Street, Paulina, Louisiana, 70763
Regina Fauchaux, 3448 Snyder Road, Paulina, Louisiana, 70763
Billie Keller, 3393 North Angelle, Paulina, Louisiana, 70763
Cynthia Crawford, 3336 Maura Street, Paulina, Louisiana, 70763
Shirlene Chabaud, 3589 Belle Rose Drive, Paulina, Louisiana 70763

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED that said members shall serve at the pleasure of the Council, with said terms running concurrent with that of the Parish Council.

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**RESOLUTION 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE DISTRICT 4
RECREATION BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. James Parish Council, that the appointments of the following named members of the District 4 Recreation Board are hereby affirmed:

- Alfred Adams, 5711 LA 44, Convent, Louisiana, 70723
- James Kirklin, P.O. Box 324, Paulina, Louisiana, 70763
- Dale Melancon, P.O. Box 68, Hester, Louisiana, 70743
- Philip Creel, 2984 LA 44, Paulina, Louisiana, 70763
- Rev. Joseph White, Sr., 10192 Legion Street, Convent, Louisiana, 70723

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED that said members shall serve at the pleasure of the Council, with said terms running concurrent with that of the Parish Council.

And, the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 21st day of January 2020.

Council Chairman

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**RESOLUTION 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF PAYROLL FOR THE
JANUARY 24, 2020 PAYROLL**

WHEREAS, the employee payroll is January 24, 2020 and said payroll is reflected in the payroll disbursement report presented to the Parish Council with this Resolution.

WHEREAS, according to the Home Rule Charter, Article III §C(2)(a)(v), all checks and warrants drawn against the parish treasury shall be approved by a majority vote of the St. James Parish Council and the Parish Council by Resolution authorizes the administration to execute, sign or countersign any such check or draft in accordance with said provision.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. James Parish Council does hereby approve disbursement of the January 24, 2020 payroll and further authorizes the Parish President and Director of Finance to execute all necessary documents, including but not limited to wire transfer forms with financial services institutions, to perfect the disbursement of payroll.

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

YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 21st day of January 2020.

Council Chairman

Secretary

Delivered to Parish President: _____

Approved: _____

Disapproved: _____

Parish President

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The following resolution was offered and moved for adoption by Council _____ and seconded by Councilman _____:

**RESOLUTION 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS TO PAY
PENDING CURRENT INVOICES AND PAYABLES**

WHEREAS, invoices payable to vendors, employees and other reimbursements due and all other current payables to be processed this week; and.

WHEREAS, according to the Home Rule Charter, Article III §C(2)(a)(v), all checks and warrants drawn against the parish treasury shall be approved by a majority vote of the St. James Parish Council and the Parish Council by Resolution authorizes the administration to execute, sign or countersign any such check or draft in accordance with said provision.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. James Parish Council does hereby approve the disbursement of funds per the distribution report presented to the Parish Council reflecting the pending current invoices and other payables as of Thursday, January 23, 2020.

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

- YEAS:
- NAYS:
- ABSTAIN:
- ABSENT:

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 21st day of January 2020.

Council Chairman

Secretary

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Parish President

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The following resolution was offered and moved for adoption by Councilman _____ and seconded by Councilman _____:

**RESOLUTION 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARISH PRESIDENT PETER DUFRESNE TO SIGN ANY AND ALL PREVIOUSLY APPROVED GRANTS, CONTRACTS, ASSURANCES, AND DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, effective noon, January 13, 2020, Mr. Peter Dufresne was sworn in as Parish President of St. James Parish; and,

WHEREAS, several pending and on-going projects and contracts require signatures and certifications by the highest elected official of the Parish; and,

WHEREAS, several of those projects were approved under the previous administration and Parish Council:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. James Parish Council, that Parish President Peter Dufresne is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any all previously approved grants, contracts, assurances, and any other documents necessary to continue, extend and/or complete any proposed, pending, or on-going projects.

And, the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 21st day of January 2020.

Council Chairman

Secretary

Delivered to Parish President: _____

Approved: _____

Disapproved: _____

Parish President

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**RESOLUTION 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**ST. JAMES PARISH PRESIDENT PETE DUFRESNE AND THE ST. JAMES
PARISH COUNCIL PROCLAIMS JANUARY 26 – FEBRUARY 1, 2020 AS
CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK IN ST. JAMES PARISH**

WHEREAS, Catholic schools across the nation are celebrating Catholic Schools Week from Sunday, January 26th through Saturday, February 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools in the Diocese of Baton Rouge evangelize hearts, educate minds, encourage talent, and embrace the future; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools recognize the role of parents as the primary educators of their children, successfully involve parents and communities in support of schools, and encourage local creativity and excellence in education; and

WHEREAS, the Catholic schools in Louisiana, and indeed the entire nation, have traditionally provided outstanding education to those attending them, thus contributing to the welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools have trained many of the fine leaders of the Catholic Church, the state, and the nation; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools encourage the understanding that character is not measured by wealth or prominence but by integrity, compassion, and concern for others; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools are committed to reaching out to all children regardless of heritage, religion, race, or economic status and, indeed, have made this commitment part of their mission.

THEREFORE, St. James Parish President, Peter A. Dufresne, and the St. James Parish Council do hereby proclaim the week of January 26 – February 1, 2020 as CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK in St. James Parish.

On a motion offered by Councilman _____ and seconded by Councilman_____, the foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted by the St. James Parish Council on the 21st day of January 2020.

Council Chairman

Secretary

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Approved: _____

Disapproved: _____

Parish President

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At a regular meeting of the St. James Parish Council, State of Louisiana, held on the ____ day of _____, the following entitled ordinance was introduced by Councilman _____ and seconded by Councilman _____, laid over for publication of notice of Public Hearing and ordered filed with the Secretary for public inspection.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE 20-
ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II, SECTION 2-36, OF
THE ST. JAMES PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES REVISING THE
MEETING TIME OF THE ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, Chapter 2, Article II, Section 2-36 sets forth the St. James Parish Council's annual meeting schedule and time. This ordinance is intended for the presentment and approval of the meeting time change of the St. James Parish Council; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that the St. James Parish Council, shall hold twenty-six (26) regular annual meetings. Beginning January 21, 2020, the Council shall meet every second Wednesday thereafter. The Council meetings shall alternate between the Parish Administration Building in Convent, Louisiana and the Courthouse Annex in Vacherie, Louisiana, except those calendar months where three (3) council meetings are scheduled, the third meeting shall be in the Courthouse Annex in Vacherie, Louisiana and said meetings shall begin at 6:00 p.m., unless otherwise revised by the Council. In instance where public hearings on any matter is for the same date as a regularly scheduled Council meeting, said public hearing shall commence at 6:00 p.m. with the regularly scheduled Council meeting to immediately follow.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any future revision hereinafter in the regular Council meeting schedule which is not meant to be permanent may be done by resolution duly adopted by a majority vote for the Council and that any permanent change in the regular Council meeting schedule be done by amendment to the ordinance duly adopted by a majority vote of the Council.