

MINUTES OF ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2014 AT 6:00 P.M.

ST. TAMMANY GOVERNMENT COMPLEX

21490 KOOP DRIVE, MANDEVILLE, LA.

Call to Order by Honorable R. Reid Falconer, AIA, Chairman

Invocation by Rev. James Mitchell, St. Timothy United Methodist Church

Pledge of Allegiance by Ms. O'Brien

Roll Call: Marty Dean
Dennis Sharp
James A. (Red) Thompson
Martin W. Gould, Jr.
Richard E. Tanner
Jacob (Jake) Groby
R. Reid Falconer, AIA
Chris Canulette
E. L. Gene Bellisario
Maureen O'Brien
Steve Stefancik
Jerry Binder
Richard Artigue
Thomas (T.J.) Smith, Jr.

PRESENTATIONS

Falconer - 1. Presentation by Dianne Baham regarding STARC. (Falconer/Brister)

Dianne Baham - In 1972, the STARC program began with three children. Now they have over 400 employees and serve 1400 children and adults. STARC provides a lifetime of service beginning at birth. Today participants are living much longer because of participation in the program. All participants, who are able to, work jobs for wages. Some clean books at the libraries, some are collecting Mardi Gras beads to resell and some decorate picture frames for the artwork of the other participants. The artwork being presented to the Council was painted by Heaven, who contracted encephalitis at 8 months old and has not spoken since. She is now 50 years old. The STARC motto is "I can't do everything, but I can do something".

Artigue - are there any beads left?

Baham - they just had a customer who bought them out of 100 bins, but they are working hard and should have more ready in a few days.

Falconer - Mr. Sevante - you had an announcement to make?

Mike Sevante - he received a call from the Secretary of State advising it is not necessary to hold a special election in April for the Constable in Ward 4. In November, an interim Constable was appointed when Mr. Hand passed away. The Secretary of State advised that pursuant to State Law, a special election does not need to be held. Instead, the position can be filled at a regular election in November. The Interim constable Catherine Hand will serve through the remainder of the year.

Canulette - moved to move up Discussion Item No. 1, second by Artigue. Unanimous with no one absent.

Falconer - 1. Discussion: St. Tammany Parish salary and auto allowance policy. (Canulette)

Canulette - the Parish is looking for a consultant to research the issues of Parish salaries and auto allowance policies. He has a few questions he would like to make sure are addressed by the

consultant. He would like to know if car allowances are included in the benefits package, and what is the consideration for needing a car allowance.

Brister - right now car allowances are offered to all directors, but those questions can be part of the scope of work.

Canulette - he has done some rough math regarding the amount of the Directors' car allowances. From the amounts the directors are receiving, they are being reimbursed for 70 miles per day. He does not think the directors will be driving that much. We may need to consider reimbursing for milage rather than giving a car allowance.

Brister - she does not think that is included in the scope of work, but the Council needs to decide if they want car allowances or to reimburse for mileage.

Canulette - he would also like included in the scope a plan to be followed when deciding on a salary for directors.

Brister - the recommended Step and Grade directors will fall into is included in the yearly budget.

Canulette - he is concerned about the future of benefits with the Parish. Mandeville has started to cut benefits, and even large companies like the one he works for, are cutting pensions to new employees. When reviewing the Grade and Step System, higher salaries are receiving much larger raises. The Parish has been fortunate to be able to provide good benefits, but he is concerned if the increase in pay and benefits to the directors continues, then the Parish will not be able to continue paying for other benefits. He has also been requesting salary information on all employees from Administration and after two requests he was told he could go to the President's Office to review it. He wants the complete list on paper, so he can review it. He also would like the list available on the website like Jefferson Parish does. The Council and the Parish President have one responsibility to make the Parish a better and stronger place.

Stefancik -Baton Rouge conducted a salary and benefits study, which was much more encompassing than our information. He thinks it would be a good idea to review that study before the RFP is completed. The date for completion of the study is August, so the results can be included in next year's budget.

Binder- the concern from much of the Council is about car allowances. The appointment of a Procurement Director is coming up on the Agenda, and because he is a director, he is receiving an \$800 a month car allowance, even if he never leaves during the work day. That is not a benefit, it is a gift. For example employees such as the Parish Engineer and the Director of Intergovernmental Affairs need car allowances because they drive all over the Parish.

Falconer - call to Council and Audience for items to be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Ord. Cal. No. 5154
Resolution C.S. No. C-3921

Ord. Cal. No. 5156
Resolution C.S. No. C-3922

Resolution C.S. No. C-3894
Resolution C.S. No. C-3931

**CONSENT CALENDAR
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Any items not pulled from the Consent Calendar are automatically approved in whole by one vote. Items pulled from the Consent Calendar are discussed and voted upon individually. (Call to Council Members and Audience for items to pull)

MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting
Council Committee Meeting

January 6, 2014
January 30, 2014

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION
(Public Hearing: March 6, 2014)

1. Ord. Cal. No. 5142 - Ordinance to extend for an additional six (6) months the moratorium on the receipt of submissions by the Parish Zoning and Planning Commissions, for rezoning or resubdivision of property, not previously applied for, located north of Interstate 12 and abutting or having access to Airport Road, within the unincorporated boundaries of Ward 9, District 11. (Ward 9, District 11) (Stefancik)

2. Ord. Cal. No. 5143 - Ordinance to correct the road inventory to include Danny Rae Road. Ward 1, District 1. (Dean)

3. Ord. Cal. No. 5144 - Ordinance establishing a No Parking Zone on Selbourn Street (R08-U-016). (Ward 9, District 12) (Binder)

4. Ord. Cal. No. 5145 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 4.13 acres located west of Johnny Lane, north of JF Smith Avenue from I-1 (Industrial District) to I-2 (Industrial District). (Ward 9, District 14) (ZC14-01-013) (Falconer/Brister)

5. Ord. Cal. No. 5146 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 5.82 acres located north of Bayou Liberty Road, west of Galatas Lane, east of Faciane Road, being 34205 Bayou Liberty Road from A-2 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District) and RO (Rural Overlay). (Ward 9, District 11) (ZC14-01-012) (Falconer/Brister)

6. Ord. Cal. No. 5147 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 40,000 square feet located south of Lakeview Drive, east of US Highway 11, being 59 Lakeview Drive, Slidell from NC-4 (Neighborhood Institutional District) to A-4A (Single-Family Residential District). (Ward 9, District 13) (ZC14-01-011) (Falconer/Brister) (Ward 9, District 13) (ZC14-01-011) (Falconer/Brister)

7. Ord. Cal. No. 5148 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 86.26 acres located north and south of Elm Street, south of I-12 from NC-1 (Professional Office District) to NC-1 (Professional Office District) & RO (Rural Overlay). (Ward 4, District 5) (ZC14-01-010) (Falconer/Brister)

8. Ord. Cal. No. 5149 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 1.3 acres located east of Sea Spray Drive, south of Heathermist Drive, north of Smokey Hollow Drive, Avery Estates Addition from A-2 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District) and MHO (Manufactured Housing Overlay). (Ward 8, District 13) (ZC14-01-009) (Falconer/Brister)

9. Ord. Cal. No. 5150 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 80.89 acres located along J. F. Smith Blvd and Mechanical Drive, Johnny F. Smith Memorial Business Park from I-1 (Industrial District) to I-2 (Industrial District). (Ward 9, District 14) (ZC14-01-007) (Falconer/Brister)

10. Ord. Cal. No. 5151 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 3 acres located south of Gottschalk Road, west of LA Highway 1077, being 10526 Gottschalk Road, Covington from A-1 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District) and MHO (Manufactured Housing Overlay). (Ward 1, District 1) (ZC14-01-005) (Falconer/Brister)

11. Ord. Cal. No. 5152 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 1.41 acres located north of Jackson Avenue, east of 24th Street, being Lots 1-7 Sq. 179, Town of Lacombe from A-3 (Suburban District) to A-3 (Suburban District) and MHO (Manufactured Housing Overlay). (Ward 7, District 7) (ZC14-01-003) (Falconer/Brister)

12. Ord. Cal. No. 5153 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 2.115 acres located west of LA Highway 1083, north of E. J. Oalmann Road from A-1 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District). (Ward 5, District 6) (ZC14-01-001) (Falconer/Brister)

14. Ord. Cal. No. 5155 - Ordinance to Amend the 2014 Operating Budget - Amendment No. 2. (Falconer/Brister)

RESOLUTIONS

2. Resolution C.S. No. C-3920 - Resolution acknowledging prior Covington Annexation Resolutions that were removed from the Council's Agenda with no action taken. (Ward 3, Districts 1, 2 and 3) (Falconer/Brister)

5. Resolution C.S. No. C-3923 - Resolution to authorize the Parish President to execute an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) for improvements at the St. Tammany Regional Airport. (Falconer/Brister)

6. Resolution C.S. No. C-3924 - Resolution authorizing the Parish President to execute an agreement with the Regional Planning Commission as required by Title 23, United States Code, Sections 134, 314 and 316 providing for the continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive development of transportation plans considering all modes of transportation. Such planning for Federal-Aid Highway and Federal-Aid Transit projects must be developed by metropolitan planning organizations (MPO's) in cooperation with the state and affected local jurisdictions. (Falconer/Brister) (Falconer/Brister)

7. Resolution C.S. No. C-3925 - Resolution to urge the Louisiana Congressional delegation to sponsor and support HR 3789 and HR 3790 relative to armed forces retirement compensation benefits. (Falconer/Brister)

8. Resolution C.S. No. C-3926 - Resolution stating St. Tammany Parish Government's intent to demolish existing corporate hangar for obstruction removal purposes upon completion of new corporate hangar. (Falconer/Brister)

9. Resolution C.S. No. C-3927 - Resolution stating the St. Tammany Parish Council's endorsement of Copeland's of New Orleans, Inc., for participation in the benefits of the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program. (Falconer/Brister)

10. Resolution C.S. No. C-3928 - Resolution stating the St. Tammany Parish Council's endorsement of Techcrane International, LLC., for participation in the benefits of the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program. (Falconer/Brister)

11. Resolution C.S. No. C-3929 - Resolution to amend Ordinance C.S. No. 13-3052 - 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Budget and Program, Fixed Asset, and Grant Awards to make changes to the Capital Improvements List - District 14 - (Fund 314). (Falconer/Brister)

12. Resolution C.S. No. C-3930 - Resolution to amend Ordinance C.S. No. 13-3052 - 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Budget and Program, Fixed Asset, and Grant Awards to make changes to the Capital Improvements List - Capital - Tammany Utilities. (Falconer/Brister)

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Stefancik - moved to adopt the consent calendar less items pulled, second by Smith. Unanimous with no one absent.

Falconer - 13. Ord. Cal. No. 5154 - Ordinance to amend Ordinance Sec. 2-091.00 and Sec. 2-092.00 of the St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances for the reorganization of Parish Departments. (Falconer/Brister)

Tanner - we need to adopt this Ordinance because it creates the Procurement Department. How do we handle appointing the Director before the Ordinance is adopted?

Sevante - the language can be amended to state the ordinance will be effective immediately upon adoption.

Canulette - moved to introduce, second by Tanner.

Falconer - I need to recuse myself from the following discussion. Mr. Tanner - would you take the chair please.

Tanner - 15. Ord. Cal. No. 5156. - Ordinance to amend the Parish Unified Development Code, Volume 1 (Zoning), Section 5.14: NC-1 (Professional Office District) relative to adding Single Family Dwelling, Private Garages and Accessory Structures and Garage Apartment or Guest House under 1,000 square feet of habitable floor space, as Permitted Uses. (ZC14-02-018) (Falconer/Brister)

O'Brien - she has received continuous phone calls about this. She has proposed this Ordinance because during comprehensive rezoning, some residential properties were rezoned as commercial. Now any buyer trying to buy the property as residential are unable to obtain a residential loan because of the commercial zoning.

O'Brien - moved to introduce, second by Bellisario.

Falconer - 1. Resolution C.S. No. C-3894 - Resolution to approve the appointment of Anthony Smith as Director of the Procurement Department for the remainder of the 2012-2015 Parish President's term of office. (Postponed 1/9/14)

Tanner - moved to postpone, second by Canulette. Unanimous with no one absent.

Falconer - 3. Resolution C.S. No. C-3921 - Resolution to grant approval to Parish Fire Protection District No. 12 to call and hold an election on May 3, 2014, to authorize the levy and collection of an annual parcel fee of \$48.00, beginning in the year 2015 and continuing for a period of twenty (20) years, for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, maintaining and operating fire protection facilities and equipment, including the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes and salaries of firemen, and all purposes incidental thereto; and further providing for other matters in connection therewith. (Gould)

Rob Barnett - the Fire Protection District wishes to remove this item.

Gould - if the election is not happening will it have an effect on the funds in the bond sale?

Jim Ryan - no. The parcel fee is not tied to the money being borrowed. They are asking for approval for \$3 million, but are only planning on using \$1 million.

Stefancik - if they have the money available, then why are they trying to collect a parcel fee?

Barnett - they were going to buy new trucks with the parcel fee money, but have decided to buy refurbished trucks instead to save money. They are borrowing the money to build new fire stations to help maintain their bond rating.

Stefancik - is any of this money going toward ambulance service?

Barnett - No.

Gould - moved to remove, second by Bellisario. Unanimous with no one absent.

Falconer - 4. Resolution C.S. No. C-3922 - Resolution authorizing Parish Fire Protection District No. 12 of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the District) to proceed with the issuance, sale and delivery of its not to exceed \$3,200,000 Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2014. (Gould)

Gould - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Unanimous with no one absent.

Falconer - 13. Resolution C.S. No. C-3931 - Resolution to set the salary of the Coroner of the St. Tammany Parish Coroner's Office pursuant to Louisiana House Act No. 181 (R.S. 13:525). (Bellisario)

Bellisario - moved to set the Coroner's salary at \$90,000 per year, second by Binder.

Bellisario - he wanted to make sure the people running for the position of Coroner were aware of what the salary will be.

O'Brien - she wants to be respectful of the Parish's tax dollars. Showed examples of Coroner's salaries from other Parishes of similar size. St. Tammany has 233,000 people. When the Parish President is making not much more than \$125,000 to run the entire Parish, she is uncomfortable with the idea of paying the Coroner \$98,000. She thinks once the dust settles after the election, the position of Coroner will only be part-time.

Binder - we need to remember as Legal Counsel has stated, the Council can increase the Coroner's salary, but it cannot reduce it once it has been set.

Council discussion ensued.

Stefancik - Dr. Menon, Interim Coroner, stated he would not run for election or accept \$75,000 to do the job of Coroner. In his opinion of the work, it would take twice that amount for him to accept. Dr. Menon is picking up the work, not only of the Coroner, but also the Executive Director and the Financial Officer. He wants the best Coroner the Parish can get, and he feels offering anything less than \$100,000 is setting expectations too low. The Parish closest to ours in size is Caddo Parish, who pays their Coroner \$185,000, but they do not have a state of the art facility. The Council owes it to the Office of the Coroner to provide a respectable salary.

Binder - unfortunately, the Council has been faced with this task, and the abuse of power and money by the previous Coroner. The Coroner's Office already runs efficiently, and he does not think the new Coroner will have to work too hard to continue with the efficiency. If the new Coroner decides to work full-time and can prove to the Council their ability to do the job well, then the Council will raise the salary to where it needs to be. The Council cannot predict how much the new Coroner will work or even who will be elected.

Bellisario - restated motion to set the Coroner's salary at \$90,000 per year, second by Binder. Motion fails due to a tie vote with 7 yeas (Dean, Sharp, Thompson, Groby, Bellisario, Binder, Artigue) and 7 nays (Falconer, Gould, Tanner, Canulette, O'Brien, Stefancik, Smith)

Binder - moved to set the Coroner's salary at \$84,000 per year, second by Smith. Motion passed with 11 yeas and 3 nays (Falconer, Tanner, Stefancik).

APPEALS

Bellisario - moved to move up Appeal #4, second by Canulette. Unanimous with no one absent.

Falconer - 4. Perry Rucker and Kenneth Sessions appealing the Zoning Commission APPROVAL on January 7, 2014 to rezone 1 acre located east of Carey Road, south of Sticker Road, north of Purcella Road from A-2 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District) and MHO (Manufactured Housing Overlay). (Ward 8, District 9) (ZC14-01-008) (Applicant: Lucien and Annette Boudreaux)

NOTE: To concur with Zoning APPROVAL, a simple majority vote is required and introduction of an ordinance.

NOTE: To override Zoning APPROVAL, a majority vote of the entire Council is required and adoption of a resolution.

Bellisario - moved to postpone, second by Canulette. Unanimous with 1 absent (Artigue).

Falconer - 1. Carlo Hernandez appealing the Zoning Commission APPROVAL on November 12, 2013 for a major amendment to a 161.115 acre PUD located at the northwest intersection of I-12 and LA Highway 1088. (Districts 5 and 7) (ZC01-03-028) (Petitioner G.E.C., Inc.) (Postponed 1/9/14)

NOTE: To concur with Zoning APPROVAL, a simple majority vote is required and introduction of a resolution.

NOTE: To override Zoning APPROVAL, a majority vote of the entire Council is required and adoption of a resolution.

Carlo Hernandez - this was development was originally going to be a primarily residential area and now this proposes to make it mostly commercial and industrial. That zoning would allow 400 square foot buildings with a height of 60 feet. He would compare the density of this development to a central business district. If this is approved, there will not be any underlining zoning. It will 10 foot setbacks on all sides and a 25 foot setback on the front. It would be possible to have eight 20 story buildings separated by 10 feet on each side. He would like the Council to consider setting the maximum height at 10 stories and specify no manufacturing be allowed.

McCord Carrico - he represents Wadsworth in this matter. This is a PUD and as such, certain freedoms are allowed. This project was originally going to be residential and commercial, but due to the needs of the Parish, it has been decided that more commercial is needed because of the interstate. This development will be a win-win situation for the residents of the Parish. It will provide more jobs and bring in more tax revenues.

Terry Lewis Stevens - This sounds like what happened on Dove Park Road where commercial came in and assaulted a residential area. This project is included in an Economical Development which is coming up for adoption later. There are no buffers in this proposal and it will allow manufacturing into the area.

Carrico - there is substantial space in this area near the intersection with the interstate, and nothing will be built without meeting all of the Parish Regulations. Also, there are no residential areas north of this development.

Gould - the Parish has 3 interstates and there is not a lot of industry. The nearest residence to this development is nearly 500 feet from the property line across the interstate. This is the best location for industry. Mr. Hernandez has been the only person to speak out against this proposal. He has been contacted by many other residents in the area who live closer to the property and are in favor of the development. This will help the Parish to bring in jobs and more revenue for the Parish in a proper way.

Groby - this project affects two subdivisions in his district. It may have a traffic impact, but maybe that will help to bring traffic controls to the area sooner.

Gould - Mr. Carrico, will you stipulate to no heavy manufacturing.

Carrico - yes.

Gould - moved to concur with the approval, second by Groby. Unanimous with 1 absent (Artigue).

Gould - moved to introduce an ordinance, second by Groby; becomes Ord. Cal. No. 5157.

Falconer - 2. Sherwood Revere appealing the Zoning Commission DENIAL on January 7, 2014 to rezone 5 acres located south of Press Sharp Road, across from Joseph Revere Road from A-1 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District). (Ward 2, District 6) (ZC14-01-002)

NOTE: To concur with Zoning DENIAL, a simple majority vote is required and adoption of a resolution.

NOTE: To override Zoning DENIAL, a majority vote of the entire Council is required and introduction of an ordinance.

Tanner - Mr. Revere would like to split his property in order to give different parts to his family.

Tanner - moved to override the denial, second by Thompson. Unanimous with no one absent.

Tanner - moved to introduce, second by Thompson; becomes Ord. Cal. No. 5158.

Falconer - 3. Damon and Jenny Crowe, et al appealing the Zoning Commission APPROVAL on January 7, 2014 to rezone 1 acre located at the end of Gum Creek Street, north of Rhonda Road from A-2 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District) and MHO (Manufactured Housing Overlay). (Ward 8, District 11) (ZC14-01-004) (Applicant: Bobbie Colgin)

NOTE: To concur with Zoning APPROVAL, a simple majority vote is required and introduction of an ordinance.

NOTE: To override Zoning APPROVAL, a majority vote of the entire Council is required and adoption of a resolution.

Leigh Gutierrez - representing the neighbors in this area. They are asking the Council to override this approval. It is for about an acre of property which already has one mobile home on it, and it is at the end of a very short street. Now this applicant wants to add an additional mobile home. The area has been progressing to mostly houses being built instead of mobile homes. They would not like to see the standard of living lowered, and they do not want mixed zoning. The existing mobile homes are grand-fathered in, so they do not need an overlay.

Bobbie Colgin - she owns the piece of property on Gum Creek, and it has a mobile home on it which she rents out. Now, she has a daughter-in-law whose father is ill. He has a mobile home, and her daughter-in-law would like to move him onto this property because it is around the corner from her house. She did not think would cause problems.

Gutierrez - the applicant to establish a second residence on this property which is in violation of the Code which states one residence per acre. Wishes the applicant the best in helping her family, but all of the neighbors are trying to help their families, too.

Colgin - she was told by the Zoning Commission that she could have a guest home on her property as long as it is less than the 1000 square foot.

Stefancik - he wants to help people, but this is a different situation. The property is at the end of the road and surrounded with stick built houses and some mobile homes which were grand-fathered in. The street has 4 homes, 3 modular homes and 4 or so mobile homes. His issue is that once the change is approved, the Parish does not check on who is living in these places.

Smith - the staff report attached to the appeal states this property is surrounded by undeveloped pieces of property. He has a problem understanding what the intrusion is on the nearby properties. 2025 stated the area was appropriate for the residential with manufactured homes. He would like to ask Mr. Stefancik to work with the neighbors to see if they can accommodate this request.

Stefancik - the road leading to this property is developed. The problem with the intrusion is where the property is located at the end of the street. The property can be seen clearly from the other end of the street. His other concern is that one of the Zoning Commissioners told her she could have a guest house on any size property as long as the house was less than 1,000 square feet.

Fontenot - he reviewed the Zoning Commission tape and the Commissioner stated that if the other residence was a stick built home, then a guest house can be built on the property as long as it is less than 1,000 square feet.

Stefancik - she could build a stick guest house, but he does not feel he can spot zone this one lot with a Manufactured Housing Overlay, and also because Code Enforcement cannot check on who is living there.

Stefancik - moved to override the approval, second by Bellisario. Motion passed with 13 yeas and 1 nay (Artigue).

Stefancik - moved to adopt a resolution, second by Canulette. Unanimous with 1 absent (Smith); becomes Resolution C.S. No. C-3932.

ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

Falconer - 1. Ord. Cal. No. 5109 - Ordinance to amend Code of Ordinances, Chapter 7 Drainage and Flood Control to amend and reestablish the boundaries of Drainage District No. 2. (Ward 9, District13) (Introduced 12/5/13) (Postponed 1/9/14)

Artigue - moved to postpone, second by Stefancik. Unanimous with 3 absent (Bellisario, O'Brien, Smith).

Falconer - 2. Ord. Cal. No. 5123 - Ordinance to extend for an additional six (6) months the moratorium on the submission and review of Zoning permit applications and Planning Commission review and on the issuance of building permit applications, for the purpose of construction or placement of multi-family structures on property within unincorporated areas of Council District 12. (Introduced 1/9/14)

Binder - moved to adopt, second by Stefancik. Unanimous with 2 absent (Bellisario, O'Brien); becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3077.

Falconer - 3. Ord. Cal. No. 5124 - Ordinance establishing a No-Thru-Trucks Zone on Ridgewood Street (4-D-23), Maplewood Street (4-D-20) and Deval Drive (4-D-21). (Ward 1, District 5) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Gould - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Unanimous with 2 absent (Bellisario, O'Brien); becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3078.

Falconer - 4. Ord. Cal. No. 5125 - Ordinance to amend Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 16, Parks and Recreation, Article X, Recreation District No. 9, Sec. 16-102.00 Created; Boundaries, providing for the amendment of the boundaries of Recreation District No. 9. (Ward 9, District 13) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Artigue - moved to adopt, second by Smith. Unanimous with 2 absent (Bellisario, O'Brien); becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3079.

Falconer - 5. Ord. Cal. No. 5126 - Ordinance to authorize the Parish President to acquire certain conservation servitudes from the Archdiocese of New Orleans for Most Holy Trinity Conservation Area. (Ward 4, District 5) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Stevens - she is wondering why the Parish is purchasing this servitude when it is mostly a wetland. She thinks it is actually a purchase rather than a donation because the owner will receive impact fee credits.

Kelly Rabalais - this is a conservation servitude which will be donated to the Parish. The appraisal determined it was worth \$.38 per acre.

Stevens - will it be taken in perpetuity?

Rabalais - yes that is the intent and it will be stated in the servitude acquirement.

Schoen - the public needs to be reminded the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Archdiocese of New Orleans was approved in January 2013 and clearly states the parameters of this servitude. It will be donated and the draft documents have been provided to the Parish. It is their right, as any other citizen's, to ask for credit, but they have not received any word of their request being granted. This donation is a good thing for the Parish because then the Parish will be in control of the area as a conservancy.

Council Discussion ensued.

Gould - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Unanimous with no one absent; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3080.

Falconer - 6. Ord. Cal. No. 5127 - Ordinance to authorize the Parish President, to acquire certain parcels, rights of way and/or servitudes from the Archdiocese of New Orleans for drainage improvements. (Ward 4, District 5). (Introduced 1/9/14)

Stevens - the language in this ordinance makes it seem that this is being purchased, not donated.

Rabalais - this is boilerplate language. This property is being donated.

Stevens - a donation is a donation. If tax credits are given in return, it is not a donation.

Gould - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Unanimous with no one absent; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3081.

Falconer - 7. Ord. Cal. No. 5128 - Ordinance to amend Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, by adding a new article thereto creating the 'Airport Road Economic Development District', defining the boundaries thereof in accordance with and as Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (District 11 and District 14) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Bellisario - he thinks we need a presentation from the President or the Director of Economic Development to describe what the Parish envisions it will obtain from these districts. He knows once the boundaries have been set, the district just sits there until a developer comes forward.

Brister - they have had several people who have called wanting to discuss these Districts. These Ordinances are only for the demarcation of the Districts, it will not effect anything if they are tabled and handled at some other time.

Don Shea -Director of Economic Development. Tonight, you are simply being asked to create the boundaries of these Economic Development Districts. *Note - See entire presentation in Clerk's notes.

Brister - these Ordinances only allow Administration to come to the Council with suggestions of what will go in the District. It is up to the Council to decide and approve what will be done.

Groby - he has also heard many concerns from the public. He is trying to make sure everyone understands these Districts. He would like a meeting in his District to solve the confusion.

Council Discussion ensued.

Brenda Bertus - CEO of St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation, this is the perfect framework as we move this Parish forward. It allows for strategic planning, beautification, etc. The Parish needs to compete with other states. The Districts are the perfect vehicle to do that.

Stefancik - this District for Airport Road is not at an intersection. It is near the airport. There was extensive comprehensive rezoning, they made sure there were industrial districts, and they are building another access road for when Airport Road is blocked. This is several hundred acres to be developed as industrial, warehouses, etc. such as Kia, Mercedes, etc. We only have one chance to bring companies like that into the Parish. If we are not prepared, we will lose any chance. He wants to get something in here to entice people to come live and work.

Eric Johansson - he is pro free market. This Ordinance is creating a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana. It is five new public bodies with the Council members serving as the board of the District. He thinks the Council is adding more burden to their lives by putting themselves as the Board. These Districts were carefully drawn, so as there are no voters in the Districts, so taxes can be levied without a vote.

Larry Rase- he represents the Northshore Business Council, and he thinks what is being asked is not as difficult as it is being made out to be. Interstate 12 is one of the busiest interstates out there. Most of the business these Districts bring in will come from people passing through. Also, the Districts will not have boards.

Larry Mancell - he is with the St. Tammany West Chamber. It is a pleasure for him to speak in favor of the Districts. He represents over 1000 members with 40,000 employees. Creating these Districts is the next step in growing this Parish. The Parish needs to be proactive rather than reactive. This Parish is already has superior quality of life , schools, etc, and these Districts will establish new businesses.

Stevens - development is a wonderful thing, but it would be great if buffers, controls, etc. are put in place. She thinks all of the commercial property owners within the Districts need to know what will happen to them. She also thinks any residents whose property abuts a District should be given notice. Sometimes things happen outside the prevue of the public.

Brister - there is misinformation out there. The Parish is not trying to change any zoning.

Melissa Elliot - Express Employment Professionals, she has a small business in Covington. Continued economic development is vital to business and the people living in the Parish. The Parish needs to be able to compete with Alabama, Tennessee, etc. by providing professional level jobs.

Rick Franzo -the citizens do not have a clear understanding of these Districts. They think business is important, but they want positive, good growth without giving the store away. Thinks the Parish should slow down and give more information to the citizens.

Carlo Hernandez - the statement was made that these Districts are all commercial property, but he thinks residential properties are included within the boundaries.

Brister - they walked all of the Districts, and they do not include residential properties.

Stefancik - moved to adopt, second by Smith. Passes with 13 yeas and 1 nay (Groby); becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3082.

Falconer - 8. Ord. Cal. No. 5129 - Ordinance to amend the Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, by adding a new article thereto creating the 'Hwy 59 Economic Development District', defining the boundaries thereof in accordance with and as part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (District 5) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Gould - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Passes with 13 yeas and 1 abstention (Groby); becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3083.

Falconer - 9. Ord. Cal. No. 5130 - Ordinance to amend the Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, by adding a new article thereto creating the 'Hwy 434 Economic Development District', defining the boundaries thereof in accordance with and as Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (District 7 and District 11). (Introduced 1/9/14)

Stefancik - he knows Mr. Groby would like to postpone this, but he wanted to know if part of this District includes the University Center?

Brister - yes it does.

Stefancik - will it hurt Weyerhaeuser to postpone?

Brister - no, it will not make a difference.

Binder - why are we postponing this?

Stefancik - Mr. Groby has received several concern calls, and he would like to hold community meetings to address them.

Stefancik - moved to postpone, second by Groby. Passes with 12 yeas, 2 nays (Tanner, Binder).

Falconer - 10. Ord. Cal. No. 5131 - Ordinance to amend the Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, by adding a new article thereto creating the 'Hwy 1088 Economic Development District', defining the boundaries thereof in accordance with and as Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (District 5 and District 7) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Groby - moved to postpone, second by Gould. Passes 13 yeas, 1 nay (Tanner).

Falconer - 11. Ord. Cal. No. 5132 - Ordinance to amend the Parish Code of Ordinances, Appendix D, Buildings and Construction, Chapter 1 Administration, Section 108.5 Building, 108.5.10 Minimum Finished Floor Elevations. (Introduced 1/9/14)

Gould - moved to adopt, second by Dean. Unanimous with no one absent; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3084.

Falconer - 12. Ord. Cal. No. 5133 - Ordinance to amend the Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, by adding a new article thereto creating the 'Hwy 1077 Economic Development District', defining the boundaries thereof in accordance with and as Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (District 1 and District 3) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Eric Johansson - he lives in this area and noticed the boundaries of the District were extended to the corner to include the cell tower.

Dean - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Passes with 13 yeas and 1 abstention (Groby); becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3085.

Falconer - 13. Ord. Cal. No. 5134 - Ordinance to amend the Parish Unified Development Code, Volume I (Zoning), Section 5, Zoning Districts, amending Section 5.1402 to provide for the inclusion of Veterinary Clinics (no outdoor kennels) as a permitted use. (ZC13-11-085) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Dean - moved to adopt, second by Bellisario. Unanimous with no one absent; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3086.

Falconer - 14. Ord. Cal. No. 5135 - Ordinance amending the Official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 4.2 acres located north of Oak Ranch Road, west of Carey Road, being 37127 Oak Ranch Road, Pearl River from A-2 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District) and MHO. (Ward 8, District 9) (ZC13-12-088) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Bellisario - moved to adopt, second by Canulette. Unanimous with no one absent; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3087.

Falconer - 15. Ord. Cal. No. 5136 - Ordinance amending the Official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 0.521 acre located west of Rose Avenue, south of Arthur Road, being 20200 Rose Avenue, Covington from A-4 (single-Family Residential District) to A-4 (Single-Family Residential District) and MHO (Manufactured Housing Overlay). (Ward 3, District 2) (ZC13-12-087) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Sharp - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Unanimous with no one absent; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3088.

Falconer - 16. Ord. Cal. No. 5137 - Ordinance amending the Official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 2.655 acres located south of Wager Cemetery Road, west of Perrilloux Road, being 114 Wager Cemetery Road, Madisonville from A-2 (Suburban District) to A-2 (Suburban District) and RO (Rural Overlay). (Ward 1, District 1) (ZC13-12-086) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Dean - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Unanimous with 1 absent Smith; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3089.

Falconer - 17. Ord. Cal. No. 5138 - Ordinance amending the Official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 4.5 acres located west of Ruelle du Chene Drive, south of Brewster Road from A-3 (Suburban District) to A-4A (Single-Family Residential District). (Ward 1, District 1) (ZC13-11-080)(ZC13-11-080) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Dean - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Unanimous with 1 absent Smith; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3090.

Falconer - 18. Ord. Cal. No. 5139 - Ordinance to amend Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 7, Drainage and Flood Control, Article V Gravity Drainage District No. 4, Sec. 7-080.00 Established; amended boundaries, providing for the amendment of the boundaries of Gravity Drainage District No. 4. (Ward 4, District 5) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Gould - moved to adopt, second by Thompson. Unanimous with 1 absent Smith; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3091.

Falconer - 19. Ord. Cal. No. 5140 - Ordinance to amend the 2014 Operating Budget - Amendment No. 1. (Introduced 1/9/14)

Bellisario - moved to adopt, second by Tanner. Unanimous with 1 absent Smith; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3092.

Falconer - 20. Ord. Cal. No. 5141 - Ordinance amending the official Parish Zoning Map to reclassify 0.656 acres located north of US Highway 190, west of Blackwell Drive from A-2 (Suburban District) to HC-2 (Highway Commercial District). (Ward 4, District 7) (ZC13-12-084) (Introduced 1/9/14)

Groby - moved to adopt, second by Tanner. Unanimous with 1 absent Smith; becomes Ordinance C.S. No. 14-3093.

APPOINTMENTS

Falconer - 1. Resolution to appoint one (1) member to the Board of Commissioners for St. Tammany Parish Recreation District No. 6. (Districts 2 and 6) (Sharp, Tanner) (Postponed 1/9/14)

Sharp - moved to nominate Carrie Modica, second by Tanner.

Binder - moved to close nominations, second by Stefancik. Unanimous with 2 absent (Gould, Smith).

Sharp - moved to appoint, second by Stefancik. Unanimous with 2 absent (Gould/Smith); becomes Resolution C.S. No. C-3933.

DISCUSSIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

Falconer - 2. Motion to refer to the Zoning Commission for recommendation the proposed rezoning of 3.31 acres located on north of Henry Road; bearing physical address 20101 Henry Road from A-1A (Suburban District) with MHO (Manufactured Housing Overlay) and RO (Rural Overlay) to A-3 (Suburban District). (Ward 3, District 3) (Sharp)

Sharp - moved to refer, second by Thompson. Unanimous with 2 absent (Gould, Smith).

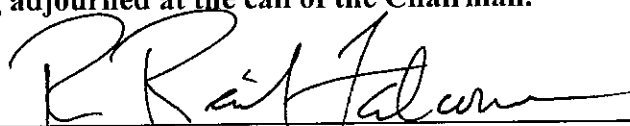
Falconer - 3. Motion to refer to the Zoning Commission for recommendation the proposed zoning change of 1.48 acres located south of North 12th Street, east US Highway 190 from A-2 (Suburban District) and PUD (Planned Unit Development) to C-2 (Commercial District). (Ward 3, District 3) (Sharp)

Sharp - moved to refer, second by Thompson. Unanimous with 2 absent (Gould, Smith).

Falconer - 4. Motion to refer to Zoning Commission for recommendation the proposed re-zoning of 4.00 acres located in Section 10, Township 6 South, Range 10 East with a physical address of 12137 Stewart Road from A-1 (Suburban District) to A-1 (Suburban District) and MHO (Manufactured Housing Overlay). (Ward 3, District 3) (Thompson) (Ward 3, District 3) (Thompson)

Thompson - moved to refer, second by Tanner. Unanimous with 2 absent (Gould, Smith).

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at the call of the Chairman.


R. REID FALCONER, AIA, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN


THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK