

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF  
THE ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL OF THE  
PARISH OF ST. MARY, STATE OF LOUISIANA

JANUARY 28, 2026  
FRANKLIN, LOUISIANA  
6:00 P.M.

The St. Mary Parish Council met on this date in Regular Session with Chairperson Gwendolyn L. Hidalgo presiding and the following members present: Rev. Craig Mathews, J Ina, David W. Hill, Leslie “Les” Rulf, Jr., Patrick Hebert, James “Jimmy” Davis, Jr., Mark Duhon, Dean Adams, and Kristi Prejeant Rink, M.D. Absent was Rodney Olander.

The Invocation was pronounced by Rev. Mathews and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hill.

Mr. Hill moved that the reading of the First Regular Meeting, January 14, 2026 be dispensed with and that the same be approved. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried.

Jacob Bell appeared before the Council to discuss “Save Our Children Mentoring Program.” He stated that he is a volunteer and discussed the importance of the program.

Discussion was had relative to allocation and maintenance of Save Our Children Mentoring property and building.

Chad Ross, Gravity Sub-Drainage District No. 1 of Gravity Drainage District No. 2 Chairperson appeared before the Council to discuss an allocation of \$500,000 from Wards 5 & 8 Sales Tax Fund for Drainage and Sewer System Improvements in the Bayou Vista area. He submitted an opinion of probable cost regarding pumping capacity improvements to the Bertrand-Vinning Pump Station for St. Mary Parish Gravity Sub-Drainage District No. 1 of Gravity Drainage District No. 2.

Discussion was had relative to the pumping capacity, GOMESA or Coastal Protection Funding, Capital Outlay Funding, use of funds, proposed projects, and the budget.

In response to Mr. Duhon’s inquiry relative to Capital Outlay funding for culverts by the truck stop in Bayou Vista, Mr. Ross stated that the new estimated cost has not been received and Capital Outlay funding is not enough for that project.

Mayor Clarence Vappie, Town of Baldwin, appeared before the Council in support of a Resolution congratulating Mrs. Rosemary Salsman Breaux on her 106<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Former St. Mary Parish President, Paul Naquin, appeared before the Council in support of a Resolution congratulating Mrs. Rosemary Salsman Breaux on her 106<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Mr. Ina moved up Item 13A, “Resolution congratulating Mrs. Rosemary Salsman Breaux on her 106<sup>th</sup> Birthday.”

Rev. Mathews moved to adopt the following Resolution. The Council seconded the motion, which carried by the following 10-0-0-1 Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Mathews, Ina, Hill, Rulf, Hebert, Davis, Duhon, Adams, Rink, and Hidalgo

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Olander

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Rosemary Salsman Breaux was born on January 23, 1920, in Donner, Louisiana, moved to Baldwin Louisiana as a young teenager, and recently celebrated her 106<sup>th</sup> Birthday, and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Breaux graduated from Franklin High School in 1937 and married Donald Breaux in 1943, and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. & Mrs. Breaux spent the next few years in various states and towns traveling with the Army and Shell Oil Company, then settling in Baldwin in 1954, purchasing and operating Breaux’s Grocery Store on Main Street then relocating to Charenton Road, renaming it Breaux’s Foodland, and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Breaux devoted most of her life working in the store and helping others, she retired at the age of 94 and now spends her time sitting in her yard enjoying nature, watching LSU Football and Baseball, and making occasional trips to Cypress Bayou Casino, and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Breaux is very thankful to God for her long and blessed life, her family, many friends, and former customers, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Mary Parish Council would like to offer their congratulations to Mrs. Breaux on this milestone in her life.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the St. Mary Parish Council does hereby congratulate and extend their best wishes to Mrs. Breaux.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**APPROVED:**

**GWENDOLYN L. HIDALGO, CHAIRPERSON  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**ATTEST:**

**LISA C. MORGAN, CLERK  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

Gary Musgrove appeared before the Council in support of a Resolution opposing carbon capture and sequestration in St. Mary Parish. He stated that he is a farmer and owns a nursery in Forest Hill, Louisiana. He stated that did research on carbon capture and explained what carbon capturing and sequestration is, its process, risks, term of risks, contract, liability, mineral rights, eminent domain, and projection wells.

Retired Colonel Mark Guillory appeared before the Council in support of a Resolution opposing carbon capture and sequestration in St. Mary Parish. He expounded on carbon capture and sequestration process, the oil & gas industry, eminent domain, utilization, and unconstitutionality of laws and requirements, risk, and danger to the environment.

After lengthy discussion, Rev. Mathews called for the question. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried.

Rev. Mathews moved up Item 13D, “Resolution opposing carbon capture and sequestration in St. Mary Parish.”

Rev. Mathews moved to adopt the following Resolution. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried by the following 10-0-0-1 Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Ina, Hill, Rulf, Hebert, Davis, Duhon, Adams, Rink, Hidalgo, and Mathews

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Olander

## **RESOLUTION**

### **A RESOLUTION OPPOSING CARBON CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION IN SAINT MARY PARISH**

**WHEREAS**, the St. Mary Parish Council recognizes its duty to protect the health, safety, property, and welfare of the citizens of St. Mary Parish and to preserve the parish's natural resources, including clean air, safe drinking water, productive agricultural land, and a stable environment for current and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Carbon Capture and Sequestration (CCS) projects, which involve the capture, transportation, and underground injection of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), have raised significant public concern within St. Mary Parish and throughout the State of Louisiana regarding potential impacts on public safety, groundwater, soil stability, private property, and local ecosystems; and

**WHEREAS**, incidents in other jurisdictions have demonstrated that CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline ruptures and underground storage failures can pose serious health and safety hazards, particularly in rural areas with limited emergency response capacity; and

**WHEREAS**, the long-term monitoring, liability, and environmental oversight of CCS projects uncertain, and the potential risks and remaining financial burdens may ultimately be borne by local governments, landowners, and taxpayers; and

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the St. Mary Parish Council, hereby formally opposes the siting, permitting, construction, or operation of any Carbon Capture and Sequestration (CCS) project or associated CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline infrastructure within the boundaries of St. Mary Parish unless and until such technologies are independently verified by credible, peer-reviewed scientific evidence to be safe, effective, and fully supported by the informed consent of the residents of St. Mary Parish; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the St. Mary Parish Council urges the Governor of Louisiana, the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, and all relevant state and federal agencies to give full and careful consideration to the concerns of local governments and citizens when evaluating CCS proposals.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**APPROVED:**

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**GWENDOLYN L. HIDALGO, CHAIRPERSON**  
**ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**ATTEST:**

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**LISA C. MORGAN, CLERK**  
**ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

Chief Administrative Officer, Paul J. Governale, submitted his report for a two (2) week period, ending January 28, 2026. He submitted Departmental Reports for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2025 from Departments of Economic Development, Finance, Homeland Security, Personnel, Planning & Zoning, and Public Works. He also submitted a report from Tim Matte, St. Mary Parish Levee District Director, on the status of TE-168, Pump Station No. 4, Pump Station No. 9, Pump Station No. 8, and Pump Station No. 6.

Item 2C of Mr. Governale’s report stated, “Resolution authorizing and setting the monthly garbage collection service charge for each residence within the unincorporated areas of St. Mary Parish. (Adm.) *Annual rate increases to customers due to increase from Pelican Waste.*”

Planning & Zoning Director, Mandi LeBlanc, presented the following items as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission at their December 15, 2025, Regular Meeting:

**a. Recommend Specific Use**

Name: Wilson Ferguson, Jr.  
Address: 1909 Chatsworth Rd., Franklin, LA

Parcel Id# 2204701237.00 & 2204701236.00

2204701237.00 - Lot Por No 10-D Diane Luke Nugent Et Al Part Per Plat 27H 206574 DWG No. 6356-1, Situated in Sec. 62 T14S R9E, Acq. 341 325811 & 2204701236.00 - Lot Por No. 10-D Diane Luke Nugent Et Al Part Per Plat 27H 206574 DWG No 6356-1, Situated in Sec. 2 T14S R9E, Acq. 344 326296

Currently Zoned: Agricultural (AG) Zoned District

Specific Use Purpose: to allow for a church in an Agricultural (AG) Zoned District.

Rev. Mathews recommends the above Specific Use Approval. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried. Mr. Rulf, Mr. Adams, and Dr. Rink abstained.

In response to Mr. Adams’ inquiry, Mrs. LeBlanc stated this property is located in a residential area and that a petition in opposition was submitted to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

2. Recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission at their January 20, 2026, Regular Meeting:

**a. Denied Rezoning**

Name: Donna Rogers  
Address: 1698 Iberia St., Franklin, LA

Parcel Id# 2204701197.00 - Lot Tract A-B-C-I-A, Per Plat 24M 192689, Acq. 449 342553, Sec.62 T14S R9E

PURPOSE: Rezone from Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoned District to General Commercial (GC) Zoned District.

Mr. Hebert recommends the above Rezoning denial. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, which carried.

**b. Recommend Preliminary & Final Subdivision/Development Approval**

Name: Succession of Kerry and Charlotte Landry  
637 Moresi Rd., Jeanerette, LA 70544  
Address: 190 Fortier Rd., Jeanerette, LA

Parcel Id # 1754924076.00 23.95 Ac por tract No. 3 George Landry Est. part being por 26.45 ac tract B I J K L M N O P Q R S D C B, per plat 429 339285, Situated in Sec. 34 T13S R8E, Acq. 429 339285

Zoned: Agricultural (AG) Zoned District

PURPOSE: as shown on a plat titled "Showing property boundary survey of a portion of Tract "B-I-J-K-L-M-N-O-P-Q-R-S-D-C-B" belonging to Succession of Kerry Landry and Succession of Charlotte Landry, Herein designated as "Tract "O-C-B-Q-bb-aa-M-N-J-O" containing 1.105 acres total. Also showing property boundary survey of Tract "G-H-O-J-K-G," a shared ingress/egress & utility easement. Said property is Situated in Section 34, T13S-R8E, Parish of St. Mary Parish, State of Louisiana." as surveyed by S. J. Langlinois & Associates, Inc. Consulting Land Surveyors 2413 Veterans Memorial Drive Abbeville, Louisiana 70510, dated December 29, 2025.

Mr. Hebert recommends the above Preliminary & Final Subdivision/Development Approval. Dr. Rink seconded the motion, which carried.

**c. Recommend Preliminary & Final Subdivision/Development Approval**

Name: Domino Estates ET AL DE-7

P. O. Box 3537, Morgan City, LA 70381

Address: 6959 Hwy. 182, 9681 Hwy. 182, 9651 Hwy. 182, 9625 Hwy. 182, 9730 Hwy. 182, 9622 Hwy. 182, and 9628 Hwy. 182, Morgan City, LA

Parcel Id # 3434241012.00. 837 AC being por of 40.00 AC R R – Rhodes Boeuf – R R situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, 160.37 AC R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes, less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq. 27 208939;

-9681 Hwy. 182, Morgan City, LA 70380-Sec. 42 T16S R13E, Parcel ID# 3434241035.00. 2.00 Ac tract being that por of property designated as DE-112 situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, lying south of railroad and north of Hwy. 90, also being further described as por of 122.00 Ac being a por of the following: Lot bd Alexander Jeanerette Lumber & Shg. Co. – Alexander – Domino Lot bd SPRR – Domino – Greenwood – Domino Lot bd Hwy. 90 – Domino – Domino – Domino 40.00 Ac bd R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R 160.37 Ac bd R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq 27U 208939;

-Parcel ID# 3434241034.00. 1.26 Ac tract being that por of property designated as DE-113 situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, lying south of railroad and north of Hwy. 90, also being further described as por of 122.00 Ac being a por of the following: Lot bd Alexander – Jeanerette Lumber & Shg. Co. – Alexander – Domino Lot bd SPRR – Domino – Greenwood – Domino Lot bd Hwy. 90 – Domino – Domino – Domino 40.00 Ac bd R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R 160.37 Ac bd R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq 27U 208939;

-9651 Hwy 182, Morgan City, LA 70380-Sec. 42 T16S R13E, Parcel ID# 3434241011.00. 1.18 Ac being por of 40.00 Ac R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, 160.37 Ac R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes, less separate assessment designated as leased lots, Acq. 27U 208939. Improvement on the land of Domino Estates et al, DE-7, Acq. 27U 208939.

-Parcel ID# 3434241022.00, 0.574 Ac being por of 40.00 Ac R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, 160.37 Ac R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes, less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq. 27U 208939;

-Parcel ID# 3434241020.00, 0.574 Ac being por of 40.00 Ac R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, 160.37 Ac R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes, less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq. 27U 208939;

-9625 Hwy. 182, Morgan City, LA 70380-Sec. 42 T16S R13E; Parcel ID# 3434241015.00. 0.879 Ac being por of 40.00 Ac bd R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, 160.37 Ac bd R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes, less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq 27U 208939;

-9730 Hwy. 182, Morgan City, LA 70380-Sec. 42 T16S R13E; Parcel ID# 3434241033.00. 0.41 Ac being por of 40.00 Ac bd R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, 160.37 Ac bd R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes, less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq 27U 208939;

-9622 Hwy. 182, Morgan City, LA 70380-Sec. 42 T16S R13E; Parcel ID# 3434241002.00. 5.83 Ac tract being that por of property designated as DE-3 situated in Sec 42 T16S R13E, lying south of Hwy. 90 and west of Lot DE-4, also being further described as por of 122.00 Ac being a portion of the following: Lot Alexander – Jeanerette Lumber & Shg. Co. – Alexander – Domin Lot SPRR – Domino – Greenwood – Domino Lot Hwy. 90 – Domino – Domino – Domino

40.00 Ac R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R 160.37 Ac R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq 27U; -9628 Hwy. 182, Morgan City, LA 70380-Sec. 42 T16S R13E; Parcel ID# 3434241003.00. 2.945 Ac being por of 40.00 Ac R R – Rhodes – Boeuf – R R situated in Sec. 42 T16S R13E, 160.37 Ac R R – Ditch – Boeuf – Rhodes, less separate assessments designated as leased lots, Acq 27U 208939.

Zoned: Heavy Industrial (HI) Zoned District

PURPOSE: as shown on a plat titled “Domino Estates, LLC Subdivision Survey Plat showing a subdivision of DE-4, DE-7, DE-8, DE-10, DE-19, DE-100, DE-101, DE-111, DE-112, and DE-113 belonging to Domino Estates, LLC, into DE-4-A, DE-7-A, DE-8-A, DE-10-A and DE-100-A, being in Section 42, T16S-R13E St. Mary Parish Louisiana” as drawn by GIS Engineering, LLC, dated December 22, 2025.

Mr. Duhon recommends the above Preliminary & Final Subdivision/Development Approval. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried.

**d. Recommend Specific Use**

Name: Freddie DeCourt  
Address: 3411 Hwy. 319, Franklin, LA

Parcel Id# 1034364295.00 - Lot Por No 68-C Moresi Estates Part. 9 Per Plat 96 291386 lying South of Hwy. 319, Acq. 422 338186; Sec.20 T15S R6E

Currently Zoned: Single Family Residential (SR) Zoned District

Specific Use purpose: to allow for a Recreational Vehicle (RV) in a Single Family Residential (SR) Zoned District.

Rev. Mathews recommends the above Preliminary & Final Subdivision/Development. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried.

Rev. Mathews moved that the Public Hearing Report, January 14, 2026 – 5:45 p.m. and Public Hearing Report, January 14, 2026 – 5:50 p.m. be approved. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried.

Dr. Rink introduced the following Ordinance:

**ORDINANCE NO.**

An Ordinance in compliance with Ordinance No. 1973, DIVISION 5.4  
General Procedures for Public Hearings, Section 5.4.3 Specific Use Permits  
granting a Specific Use.

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2014, the St. Mary Parish Council adopted Ordinance No. 1973 – St. Mary Parish Unified Development Code, and

**WHEREAS**, DIVISION 5.4 General Procedures for Public Hearings, Section 5.4.3 Specific Use Permits provides a process for the granting of a specific use, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana:

**SECTION I** - That certain tract of land described in Exhibit “A” is hereby approved and granted a specific use to allow for a church in an Agricultural (AG) Zoned District.

This ordinance shall become effective and be in full force upon publication in the official journal of the Parish.

This ordinance having been offered and read on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026; having been published in accordance with law.

**EXHIBIT “A”**

**Name: Wilson Ferguson, Jr**  
**Address: 1909 Chatsworth Rd., Franklin, LA**

**Parcel Id# 2204701237.00 & 2204701236.00**

**2204701237.00 - Lot Por No 10-D Diane Luke Nugent Et Al Part Per Plat 27H 206574 DWG No. 6356-1, Situated in Sec. 62 T14S R9E, Acq. 341 325811 & 2204701236.00 - Lot Por No. 10-D Diane Luke Nugent Et Al Part Per Plat 27H 206574 DWG No 6356-1, Situated in Sec. 2 T14S R9E, Acq. 344 326296.**

**Currently Zoned: Agricultural (AG) Zoned District**

**Specific Use Purpose: to allow for a church in an Agricultural (AG) Zoned District.**

Rev. Mathews introduced the following Ordinances:

**ORDINANCE NO.**

An Ordinance declaring multiple tax adjudicated properties as surplus property and authorize the Parish to proceed with the process for advertising and sale of such adjudicated properties.

**WHEREAS**, the St. Mary Parish Government owns multiple properties described on the attached Exhibit “A”; said properties have been adjudicated to the Parish for unpaid property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the requisite time has passed for the owners of the above-referenced properties to redeem the property, as per Louisiana Revised Statute 47:2122(11) and the Louisiana Constitution Article 7, Section 25; and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Mary Parish Government seeks to initiate a sale of the tax adjudicated properties listed on Exhibit “A” through Archon Information Systems, LLC d/b/a CivicSource.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, that pursuant to all applicable provisions of law, the Parish Administration is directed and authorized to assess, deem, designate, and determine that such immovable properties included on the attached Exhibit “A” are surplus.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that the properties listed on the attached Exhibit “A” are surplus property to be advertised and sold to the highest bidder at online auction or to a qualifying, adjoining lot owner at private sale.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that the Parish Administration is authorized to proceed with the advertising and selling of these surplus properties through Archon Information Systems, LLC d/b/a CivicSource to the highest qualifying bidder at online auction or to a qualifying, adjoining lot owner at private sale, on such dates and times as designated by Parish Administration.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that the Parish President is authorized to execute all forms, documents, affidavits, and acts of sales related thereto.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any and all actions previously taken by Parish Administration in furtherance of the actions contemplated herein are ratified and accepted accordingly.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

This ordinance having been offered and read on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026; having been published in accordance with law.

## EXHIBIT "A"

<b>PARCEL NUMBER</b>	<b>PROPERTY ADDRESS</b>	<b>TAX ASSESSMENT</b>
3194321076.00	119 ARIZONA ST, MORGAN CITY	2015-1402
3134321012.00	771 OREGON ST, BERWICK	2015-23351
1844921021.00	901 BIG FOUR CORNERS RD, JEANERETTE	2015-26410
2234681100.00, 2234681101.00 & 2234681099.00	491 ONEAL CHUBE ST & 507 ONEAL CHUBE ST., FRANKLIN	2015-67836
3164401189.00, 3164401190.00 & 3164401193.00	600 LAWRENCE ST., MORGAN CITY	2015-70038
3164421010.00	2621 SIXTH ST., MORGAN CITY	2015-71268
2234681179.00	615 IBERT ST., FRANKLIN	2015-72486
1784921016.00	520 HWY 668, JEANERETTE	2015-8953
2264721178.00	205 MECHANIC ST., FRANKLIN	2017-28887
2264721219.00	124 BAYOU VIEW DR., FRANKLIN	2018-17554
1905041172.00 & 1905041093.00	161 GABRIEL RD., JEANERETTE	2018-83171
2234681077.00	502 SIXTH ST., FRANKLIN	2019-6109
2234701249.00	1007 EAGLE ST. FRANKLIN	2019-71338
2894321349.00	200 WISE ST., PATTERSON	2019-81542

**ORDINANCE NO.**

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**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2014, the St. Mary Parish Council adopted Ordinance No. 1973 –  
St. Mary Parish Unified Development Code, and

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**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Mary, State of  
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specific use to allow for a Recreational Vehicle (RV) in a Single Family Residential Zoned District.

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the Parish.

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**Parcel Id# 1034364295.00 -Lot Por No 68-C Moresi Estates Part 9 Per Plat 96 291386 lying South  
of Hwy. 319, Acq. 422 338186; Sec.20 T15S R6E**

**Currently Zoned: Single Family Residential (SR) Zoned District**

**Specific Use purpose: to allow for a Recreational Vehicle (RV) in a Single Family Residential  
(SR) Zoned District.**

Mr. Adams moved to adopt the following Resolution. The Council seconded the motion, which carried  
by the following 10-0-0-1 Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hill, Rulf, Hebert, Davis, Duhon, Adams, Rink, Hidalgo, Mathews, and Ina

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Olander

**RESOLUTION OF RESPECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Lord Almighty in His Infinite mercy and goodness has seen fit to remove  
from our midst, former Mayor of Morgan City, Mr. Cedric Simon LaFleur, and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. LaFleur was a resident of Morgan City, was elected as a City Council  
Member until serving as Mayor Pro-Tem under “Doc” Brownell, was elected and served as Mayor of  
Morgan City from 1983 until 1993, was one of only five Directors to serve consecutive years as  
Chairman of the Louisiana Energy and Power Authority (LEPA), and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. LaFleur began delivering milk for Borden’s Milk Company across Southern  
Louisiana and into parts of Mississippi, he and his wife opened LaFleur Dairy in 1954 and distributed  
Borden’s milk until selling the company to a grandson in 2006; he also owned and co-owned businesses

such as LaFleur Offshore in Galveston, Texas, LaFleur/Hebert Plymouth Chrysler car dealership, and Oceanside Seafood, and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. LaFleur had a strong Catholic Faith, was a strong supporter of Holy Cross Catholic Church, Holy Cross Elementary, and Central Catholic High School, he will also be remembered for his love and devotion for family, dedication to his community, through his work ethic, business instincts, and support for family and friends, and

**WHEREAS**, the members of St. Mary Parish Council wish to acknowledge publicly our sorrow and sympathy to the family of Mr. Cedric Simon LaFleur and hopes that the family and community will find comfort in the thought that your grief and sorrow are shared by your friends.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the St. Mary Parish Council through the unanimous adoption of this resolution, that we solemnly deliberate with sincere condolences, sympathy, and understanding during this time of grief.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**APPROVED:**

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**GWENDOLYN L. HIDALGO, CHAIRPERSON  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**ATTEST:**

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**LISA C. MORGAN, CLERK  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

Rev. Mathews moved to adopt the following Resolutions. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried by the following 10-0-0-1 Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hill, Rulf, Hebert, Davis, Duhon, Adams, Rink, Hidalgo, Mathews, and Ina

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Olander

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Section 2 of Ordinance No. 1171 provides that the Parish of St. Mary shall have the right to assess charges in excess of \$6.50 per month per residence if and when its contract cost of such collection exceeds \$6.50 per month subject to the approval of the St. Mary Parish Council, and

**WHEREAS**, the present contract cost of such collection is \$24.50 per month per residence, and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined there exist a need to increase the current charge of \$23.32 per month per residence by \$1.18 per month.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the St. Mary Parish Council does hereby authorize a collection service charge of \$24.50 per month effective February 1, 2026 for each residence within its jurisdiction from which solid waste is collected.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**APPROVED:**

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**GWENDOLYN L. HIDALGO, CHAIRPERSON  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**ATTEST:**

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**LISA C. MORGAN, CLERK  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION**

Resolution authorizing Sam Jones, the President of St. Mary Parish to execute an Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement with Miller Engineers & Associates, Inc. relative to the Renovations to Quintana Canal Boat Launch Project – Phase II.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Sam Jones, President of the Parish of St. Mary, be and he is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Parish Council, to execute an Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement with Miller Engineers & Associates, Inc. relative to the Renovations to Quintana Canal Boat Launch Project – Phase II, with said amendment to contain such terms, conditions, and stipulations as he may best see fit, he being fully authorized in the premises.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**APPROVED:**

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**GWENDOLYN L. HIDALGO, CHAIRPERSON  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**ATTEST:**

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**LISA C. MORGAN, CLERK  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION**

A resolution authorizing Sam Jones, the President of St. Mary to execute contract with Frisco Industrial Contractors, LLC relative to the Renovations to Quintana Canal Boat Launch, Phase 2 - Cypremort Point.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Sam Jones, President of the Parish of St. Mary, be and he is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Parish Council, to execute a contract with Frisco Industrial Contractors, LLC, P.O. Box 568, Franklin, Louisiana 70538 relative to the Renovations to

Quintana Canal Boat Launch, Phase 2 in Cypremort Point., with said contract to contain such terms, conditions, and stipulations as he may best see fit, he being fully authorized in the premises.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**APPROVED:**

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**GWENDOLYN L. HIDALGO, CHAIRPERSON  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**ATTEST:**

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**LISA C. MORGAN, CLERK  
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Discussion and action relative to the amendments to the St. Mary Parish Personnel Manual that were recommended at a previous Council Meeting. (Rev. Mathews)

Rev. Mathews stated that lengthy discussion was had at a previous Council Meeting relative to revising some sections of the Personnel Policy, specifically Section 10-Concerns, Disciplines, and Appeals. He stated that currently this section does not provide an adequate outlet for subordinate employees to have grievances fairly addressed and be able to have the Personnel Board hear valid issues, concerns, and complaints. He stated that currently, the personnel director is the only person that decides whether or not an employee can go before the Personnel Board and suggested this section be resolved immediately.

Lengthy discussion was had relative to the Personnel Policy Committee that was created to review and revise the personnel policy. Discussion was also had relative to the grievance process and procedure, the process for awarding raises, restrictions of what goes before the personnel board, employee value/asset, and reconsideration of revising certain sections of the Personnel Policy.

- B. Discussion and action relative to collection fee enforcement at the boat landings regarding Ordinance No. 2355. (Mr. Hebert)

Mr. Hebert moved to table this item to the February 11, 2026 meeting. Mr. Duhon seconded the motion, which carried.

- C. Referred from January 14, 2025, Council Meeting - Dr. Rink to request an allocation of \$500,000 from Wards 5 & 8 Sales Tax Fund for Drainage and Sewer System Improvements in the Bayou Vista area.

Dr. Rink moved to allocate \$500,000 from Wards 5 & 8 Sales Tax Fund for Drainage and Sewer System Improvements in the Bayou Vista area. Mr. Rulf seconded the motion.

After discussion, Mr. Hill amended the motion to allocate \$500,000 for improvements to the Bertrand-Vinning Pump Station for St. Mary Parish Gravity Sub-Drainage District No. 1 of Gravity Drainage District No. 2. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion which carried by the following 6-4-0-1 Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hebert, Davis, Duhon, Mathews, Ina, and Hill

NAYS: Rulf, Adams, Rink, and Hidalgo

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Olander

The amended vote to allocate \$500,000 for improvements to the Bertrand-Vinning Pump Station for St. Mary Parish Gravity Sub-Drainage District No. 1 of Gravity Drainage District No. 2 carried by an all in favor vote. Mr. Rulf, Mr. Adams, Dr. Rink, and Mrs. Hidalgo voted no.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

**Fire Protection District No. 1 (Cypremort Point) – 2 Vacancies**

Michael S. Trosclair – Present Member

Dr. Rink moved that Michael S. Trosclair be reappointed to Fire Protection District No. 1. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, which carried.

**Recreation District No. 6 (Baldwin, Jeanerette, and Charenton) – 1 Vacancy**

Anna Perry – Present Member

Rev. Mathews moved that Anna Perry be reappointed to Recreation District No. 6. Dr. Rink seconded the motion, which carried.

**St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 4 (Chatsworth, St. Joseph, Irish Bend, Yokely, Sorrell, Websterville, Charenton, St. Peter Street) – 3 Vacancies**

Willie Scott – Present Member  
Anthony R. Darden  
Herbert Bell

William P. Gray – Present Member  
Camile J. Punch

Mr. Ina moved that William P. Gray be reappointed to Water & Sewer Commission No. 4. Dr. Rink seconded the motion, which carried.

Mr. Ina moved to table the appointments of the remaining vacancies to the February 11, 2026 meeting. Dr. Rink seconded the motion, which carried.

There being no further business, Mr. Adams moved for adjournment. Mr. Davis seconded the motion, which carried.