

**AGENDA
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
SECOND REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2026 – 6:00 PM
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ROOM
FIFTH FLOOR COURTHOUSE
FRANKLIN, LA**

1 – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRPERSON

2 – INVOCATION: ----- HON. JIMMY DAVIS, JR.

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

4 – ROLL CALL

5 - READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

A. First Regular Meeting, February 11, 2026

6 - GUESTS

- A. Dean Wilson, Executive Director of Atchafalaya Basinkeeper to appear before the Council to request a Resolution of Support to the Atchafalaya Basin Management Plan which was presented to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority on February 28, 2025. (Resolution)
- B. Lester Wheeler to appear before the Council to discuss the Singleton Heirs and access to the Southeast Quarter of Avoca Island.
- C. Lionel “Butch” Metz to appear before the Council to discuss the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Parish and Water and Sewer Commission No. 5.
- D. Beverly Domengeaux, Executive Director, St. Mary Council on Aging to appear before the Council to discuss their Annual Report.
- E. Tracy Weber and Ajani Connor, West St. Mary High School’s Future Business Leaders of America Organization to appear before the Council to request funds to travel to represent their school and parish at the state level this upcoming March.

7 - PUBLIC COMMENT

8 – REPORT FROM MR. SAM JONES, PRESIDENT:

9 – REPORT FROM PERSONNEL:

A. Mr. Paul J. Governale, Chief Administrative Officer

10 – REPORT OF COUNCIL MEETINGS:

- A. Public Hearing Report, February 11, 2026 – 5:45 p.m.
- B. Public Hearing Report, February 11, 2026 – 5:50 p.m.

11 – REPORT OF MEETINGS OTHER THAN COUNCIL MEETINGS:

12 – INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

13 – ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

- A. **FOR ADOPTION** - 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. (Wilson Ferguson, Jr.) (Dr. Rink)
- B. **FOR ADOPTION** - 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. (Rev. Mathews)

- C. **FOR ADOPTION** - 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. (Freddie DeCourt) (Rev. Mathews)

14 - RESOLUTIONS:

- A. Resolution congratulating Donella Wagner, Head Custodian at Raintree Elementary for receiving the “2025 Outstanding School Support Employee Overall Honoree”. (Mr. Ina)
- B. Resolution honoring Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Sr., a towering figure in the ongoing struggle for civil rights, economic justice, and political empowerment in America. (Rev. Mathews)
- C. Resolution supporting the Atchafalaya Basin Management Plan to be presented to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority before February 28, 2025. (Mr. Olander)
- D. Resolution authorizing Sam Jones, the President of the Parish of St. Mary to execute a Professional Service Agreement with Miller Engineers & Associates, Inc. relative to the Dredging of Bayou Teche from Sterling Bridge to Lower Atchafalaya River in Patterson. (Adm.)
- E. Resolution authorizing Sam Jones, the President of the Parish of St. Mary to execute a Professional Service Agreement with Duplantis Design Group relative to the Construction of the St. Mary Parish 911 Call Center Wind Retrofit and Reroofing – Phase II. (Adm.)
- F. Resolution authorizing Sam Jones, the President of St. Mary Parish to execute an Agreement with SpyGlass Group, LLC relative to the review and analysis of the Parish’s telephone communications and utility accounts. (Adm.)
- G. Resolution adopting and approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for St. Mary Parish as completed for year ending December 31, 2025. (Adm.)

15 – OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Referred from the November 12, 2025, Regular Meeting – Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Fire Protection District No. 7 (Bayou Vista) – 1 Vacancy

Andree T. Hebert

Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2 (Amelia) – 2 Vacancies

Timothy Matthews – Present Member

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- B. Referred from the January 28, 2026, Regular Meeting – Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 4 (Chatsworth, St. Joseph, Irish Bend, Yokely, Sorrell, Websterville, Charenton, St. Peter Street) – 1 Vacancy

Willie Scott – Present Member

Anthony R. Darden

Camile J. Punch

Herbert Bell

Harry “Ray” J. Pontiff

Marie L. Cole

Johnny Allan Burgess

16 – NEW BUSINESS:

- A. We received the following financial statements:

Recreation District No. 4 of the Parish of St. Mary – year ended September 30, 2025

Posted – Friday, February 20, 2026, at 11:00 a.m.

B. Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Board of Adjustments for Parish of St. Mary – 1 Vacancy

George Small III

Fire Protection District No. 11 (Four Corners) – 5 Vacancies

David Aymond – Present Member
Ronald J. Chillis – Present Member
Russell J. Viator – Present Member

Shirley J Purvey – Present Member
Linda Lockett – Present Member

Recreation District No. 3 (Bayou Vista) – 1 Vacancy

Chase Perry

St. Mary Parish Tourist Commission (At-Large) – 1 Vacancy

Sandra T. McClelland

Wards 5 and 8 Joint Sewer Commission (Bayou Vista) – 1 Vacancy

Cody M. Fontenot

17 – ADJOURNMENT

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