

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

MAY 27, 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, Rodney Olander, David W. Hill, Leslie Rulf, Jr., Patrick Hebert, Mark Duhon, Dean Adams, and Kristi Prejeant Rink, M.D. Absent was James “Jimmy” Davis, Jr.

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

Mr. Olander moved that the reading of the First Regular Meeting, May 13, 2026 be dispensed with and that the same be approved. Mr. Rulf seconded the motion, which carried.

Mrs. Hidalgo moved up Item 13A, “Resolution of respect in memory of Mr. Alfred Manson.”

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, Olander, Hill, Rulf, Hebert, Duhon, Adams, Rink, and Hidalgo

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Davis

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

WHEREAS, the Lord Almighty in His Infinite mercy and goodness has seen fit to remove from our midst, Alfred Manson, and long-term former employee at the West St. Mary Civic Center for Recreation District No. 5, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Manson was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and brother, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Manson was a devoted man of faith and service, whose dedication to helping others was evident throughout his life and in every role he held, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Manson was an active member of his church, where he faithfully served as a Deacon and inspired others through his unwavering belief in love and community, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Manson worked for many years at St. Mary Sugar Mill and Iberia Medical Center until his retirement, then worked at St. Mary Parish Civic Center until the COVID-19 Pandemic, and

WHEREAS, the members of the St. Mary Parish Council wish to acknowledge publicly their sorrow and sympathy to the family of Mr. Manson and hopes that his family will find comfort in the thought that their grief and sorrow are shared by their friends.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. Mary Parish Council through the unanimous adoption of this resolution that they 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 27th day of May 2026.

APPROVED:

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

ATTEST:

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

Mrs. Hidalgo moved up Item 13B, “Resolution congratulating Mr. Jimmy Broussard on his retirement from Director of Homeland Security for St. Mary Parish Government.”

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Davis

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is with great pride and appreciation that we recognize the outstanding public service and dedication of Mr. Jimmy Broussard upon his retirement after a remarkable career devoted to the safety and welfare of the citizens of St. Mary Parish and the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broussard worked as the Emergency Management Coordinator for St. Mary Parish Government for 4 years and was appointed Director of Homeland Security for a total of 3 years; and

WHEREAS, during a distinguished military career with the Louisiana National Guard from 1976 through 2004, Mr. Broussard served the State and Nation with honor and distinction, achieving the rank of Lieutenant Colonel through steadfast dedication, leadership, and patriotic service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broussard faithfully served with the Franklin Police Department for thirty (30) years, working under the leadership of five Police Chiefs and rising through the ranks to retire honorably as Captain, demonstrating exemplary professionalism, leadership, integrity, and commitment to law enforcement excellence; and

WHEREAS, following retirement from the Franklin Police Department, Mr. Broussard continued a life of public service by serving with the St. Mary Parish Sheriff’s Office in the Special Services Section from July 2, 2007 through June 14, 2019, providing exceptional service in Radio Communications and Grant Writing, contributing greatly to the advancement and operational effectiveness of the department; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of public service, Mr. Broussard earned the admiration and respect of colleagues, elected officials, fellow officers, and citizens alike through unwavering dedication, professionalism, and commitment to duty; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of St. Mary Parish and the State of Louisiana are indebted to Mr. Broussard for decades of loyal and honorable service, extend sincere gratitude for a lifetime devoted to protecting and serving others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that St. Mary Parish Council hereby expresses its deepest appreciation and congratulations to Mr. Broussard upon his retirement and does hereby commend and honor him for serving forty-two years of combined law enforcement and military service as an outstanding public servant, and we extend Best Wishes for continued happiness, health, and success in all future endeavors and that he will be truly missed by his coworkers.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 27th day of May 2026.

APPROVED:

GWENDOLYN L. HIDALGO, CHAIRPERSON
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

ATTEST:

LISA C. MORGAN, CLERK
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Parish President, Sam Jones introduced Ross Mire as the new Director of Homeland Security, replacing Jimmy Broussard. President Jones stated that Mr. Mire brings years of experience from his time working at the Sheriff’s Department, particularly in hurricane response and emergency preparedness.

Mr. Mire shared a few remarks regarding his experience and background in emergency management and public safety and is looking forward to continue servicing St. Mary Parish.

Janet Aucoin appeared before the Council to discuss St. Mary Parish Ordinance No. 2427 “Feeding of stray cats and dogs” and to propose possible amendments to the ordinance. She requested that the ordinance include a more detailed enforcement protocol regarding the complaint process, case tracking procedures, investigation process, repeated violations, and what recourses are followed for documented damages.

Mr. Hebert suggested forming a committee consisting of five members, two for, two against, and one representative from the Sheriff’s Department to discuss the feeding of stray cats and dogs and to develop a solution and submit it to the Council for consideration. He stated that the municipalities are facing the same issues and hopes that the entire parish would abide by the same ordinance.

Mrs. Aucoin stated that she had submitted suggestions to the Council but had not received any feedback regarding possible changes or implementations to the original ordinance.

Several Council Members also discussed Ordinance No. 2427, which was adopted in March 2026. They also suggested reviewing other municipality ordinances.

Mrs. Hidalgo suggested presenting a resolution at the June 10, 2026 Council meeting outlining the specifics for forming a committee.

Jacob Bell appeared before the Council to give an update on “Save Our Children Mentoring Program” building. He submitted before and after photos showing that the building had been pressure washed and requested possible reimbursement for the \$650 expense.

Chief Administrative Officer, Paul J. Governale, stated that their discussion was regarding possible funding to purchase plants, not funding to pressure wash the building. He also expounded on the building’s maintenance agreement between the organization and the Parish.

Rev. Mathews offered to attend the Save Our Children Mentoring Program June’s board meeting to help identify ways to move the organization forward and report the outcome of that meeting back to the Council.

In response to Rev. Mathews’ inquiry, Mr. Bell stated the board meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

In response to President Jones’ inquiry, Mr. Bell stated that the City of Franklin and the School Board has not committed any funds. He further stated that he has received help from former Senator Bret Allain, Senator Robert Allain, State Representative, Vinney St. Blanc, Teche Action Clinic, and UMCOR Sager Brown.

President Jones informed of the ground breaking ceremony for Fire Protection District No. 11 for the construction of a new fire station, the remodeling of the former Franklin Foundation Hospital, and recent jobs opportunities available within the Parish. He also asked the Council to consider six percent of funding that can be used for building.

Several Council Members discussed the need for housing.

Chief Administrative Officer, Paul J. Governale, submitted his report for a two (2) week period, ending May 27, 2026. 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.

Rev. Mathews stated that he has been receiving calls from citizens concerned about neighboring nuisance properties and the negative effect those properties have on their property values. Mr. Duhon stated that he is currently working on an abandoned structure in Amelia and offered assistance to Rev. Mathews.

Discussion was had relative to the legal process and procedure regarding nuisance properties.

Planning & Zoning Director, Mandi LeBlanc, presented the following item as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission at their May 18, 2026, Regular Meeting:

a. Recommend Specific Use:

Name: Laura’s Beach Dream, LLC

Address: 4891 Hwy 87, Franklin, LA

Parcel Id# 2144841024.00 - 17.28 AC Being Por 121.91 AC Tract above by Fuselier and below by Columbia Sugar Co; Situated in Sec 46 T14S R9E, Lying South of Hwy. 87 Acq. 371009 & 2144841025.00 - 6.30 AC Tract III Per Plat 173 302174; Also Being Por 121.91 AC Tract above by Fuselier and below by Columbia Sugar Co., Situated in Sec. 371009.

Currently Zoned: Agricultural (AG) Zoned District

Specific Use Purpose: Dirt Pit (with Pond Reclamation).

Mr. Olander recommends the above Specific Use Approval. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, which carried.

Per Dr. Rink’s inquiry, Mrs. LeBlanc explained the specific use requirements for a dirt pit and installation of a pond. She stated that a dirt pit with pond reclamation involves excavating dirt from a property, with the excavation site ultimately being converted into a pond.

Rev. Mathews moved that the Public Hearing Report, May 13, 2026 be approved. Mr. Hebert seconded the motion, which carried.

Rev. Mathews informed that the ground breaking ceremony for the construction of the new fire station for Fire Protection District No. 11 will be held on tomorrow, May 28, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. at the West St. Mary Civic Center then will proceed to the construction site.

Mr. Ina informed that at the end of the school year he took several of his Franklin Jr. High students to Fairview Cinema and thanked Councilman Patrick Hebert and his family for reopening the theater for the community.

Rev. Mathews informed that the Acadiana Workforce Solutions is hosting a youth conference regarding career paths after graduating high school, from June 4-5, 2026 at the UL Lafayette Student Union. He stated that 20 openings have been reserved for St. Mary Parish and that 10 slots remain available. He further informed that transportation will be provided by St. Mary Community Action Agency.

Mr. Olander introduced the following Ordinances:

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 Dirt Pit (with Pond Reclamation).

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 27th day of May 2026; having been published in accordance with law.

EXHIBIT “A”

Name:	Laura’s Beach Dream LLC
Address:	4891 Hwy. 87, Franklin, LA
Parcel Id#	Parcel Id# 2144841024.00 - 17.28 AC Being Por 121.91 AC Tract above by Fuselier and below by Columbia Sugar Co; Situated in Sec 46 T14S R9E, Lying South of Hwy. 87 Acq. 371009 & 2144841025.00 - 6.30 AC Tract III Per Plat 173 302174; Also Being Por 121.91 AC Tract above by Fuselier and below by Columbia Sugar Co., Situated in Sec. 371009.

Currently Zoned: Agricultural (AG) Zoned District

Specific Use Purpose: Dirt Pit (with Pond Reclamation)

ORDINANCE NO.

An Ordinance authorizing the Parish of St. Mary
to accept and execute an Act of Donation of Ash Street in Garden City
Subdivision from Huth and Aycock, LLC

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. Mary Parish Council:

SECTION 1. That the Parish of St. Mary accept and execute an Act of Street Donation of Ash Street in Garden City Subdivision from Huth and Aycock, LLC in accordance with the basic terms and conditions contained in Exhibit “A” attached hereto.

SECTION 2. That Sam Jones, Parish President is authorized to execute such Donation on behalf of the Parish Council.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall become effective upon publication.

This ordinance having been offered and read on this the 27th day of May 2026, having been published in accordance with law.

EXHIBIT “A”

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF ST. MARY

ACT OF DONATION

Before me, the undersigned notary public, and in the presence of the two undersigned competent witnesses, personally came and appeared:

HUTH & AYCOCK, LLC

Manager, of _____, whose present mailing address is
_____, Lafayette, Louisiana;
and

Manager, of _____, whose present mailing address
is _____, Opelousas, Louisiana;

who do by these presents, now and forever, donate a roadway servitude to public use, unto and in favor of the ST. MARY PARISH GOVERNMENT, the inhabitants of St. Mary Parish, and to the public in general as a public roadway, and a servitude for the installation, construction, operation, maintenance, and repair of utilities of any nature and kind (including, but not limited to water, sewer, gas, electrical, telephone, cable and drainage), in and to the following described property:

A parcel of land measuring 60 feet in width by 156 feet in length, more or less, and bounded North by Lot 23 of Garden City Subdivision, West by Sawmill Drive/Street (formerly Oak Street), South by Lot 24 of Garden City Subdivision, and East by Locust Street. The plan of the Garden City Subdivision was originally filed at Entry Number 276369 in the Conveyance Records of the St. Mary Parish Clerk of Court.

For informational purposes only:

This parcel is identified as 2354581040.00 within the records of the St. Mary Parish Assessor’s Office and designated as being reserved for future road development of Garden City Subdivision per the amended plan of the subdivision filed at Entry Number 276631.

And now appears ST. MARY PARISH GOVERNMENT, represented herein by its duly authorized _____, _____, who accepts this dedication.

Thus done and passed in _____, in the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, on this _____ day of _____, 2026, in the presence of the two undersigned competent witnesses, who sign these presents with the appearers and me, notary, after reading of the whole.

WITNESSES:

Print Name: Dr. Kenneth Aycock

Print Name: James Lopez

Name: _____ Bar No. _____
Notary Public

Thus done and passed in _____, in the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, on this _____ day of _____, 2026, in the presence of the two undersigned competent witnesses, who sign these presents with the appearers and me, notary, after reading of the whole.

WITNESSES:

Print Name: ST. MARY PARISH GOVERNMENT

BY: _____

Print Name:

Name: _____ Bar No. _____
Notary Public

Mr. Ina introduced the following Ordinances:

ORDINANCE NO.

An Ordinance proposing an amendment to Section 8-01 of the Home Rule Charter for St. Mary Parish adopted February 1983.

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. Mary Parish Council, in regular session convened, that:

SECTION 1. Section 8-01 of the Home Rule Charter for St. Mary Parish, entitled “Council districts.” is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

The council shall consist of 11 members, elected as follows:

- (A) Eight districts shall be created in the Parish consisting of approximately equal population in each, and one member shall be elected from each such district, and
- (B) Three additional districts shall be created in the Parish, with one located primarily in the central part of the Parish, one located primarily in the eastern part of the Parish, and one located primarily in the western part of the Parish, consisting of approximately equal population in each, and one member shall be elected from each such additional district.

SECTION 2. The effective date of this amendment shall be January 8, 2028.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is hereby adopted in accordance with Section 2-11 and Section 7-03 of the Home Rule Charter for St. Mary Parish and that said Charter amendment shall become effective only upon ratification by the electors of St. Mary Parish at a special election to be called for said purpose.

This ordinance having been offered and read on this 27th day of May 2026; having been published in accordance with law.

ORDINANCE NO.

An ordinance proposing an amendment to Section 2-07 of the Home Rule Charter for St. Mary Parish.

WHEREAS, Section 2-07 of the Home Rule Charter for St. Mary Parish provides for the election and term of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

WHEREAS, the St. Mary Parish Council proposes to place on the ballot the following amendment to Section 2-07(F) of the Home Rule Charter for St. Mary Parish on the April 17, 2027, ballot.

Section 2-07. Council Meetings and Rules.

(F) At the first regular meeting of a newly elected council and annually thereafter, a chairman and vice-chairman shall be elected by the council from among the council members. The chairman shall preside at meetings of the council, and in the absence or disqualification of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall preside. In the absence or disqualification of both the chairman and vice-chairman, the council shall designate one of its other members as temporary presiding officer. The chairman, vice-chairman, and temporary presiding officer shall be voting members of the council. The chairman shall receive additional compensation of \$50.00 per month?

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the St. Mary Parish Council, on behalf of the Parish of St. Mary Parish, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. The St. Mary Parish Council finds that the following amendment to Section 2-07(F) of the Home Rule Charter for St. Mary Parish be placed on the ballot on the April 17, 2027, ballot.

Section 2-07. Council Meetings and Rules.

(F) At the first regular meeting of a newly elected council and annually thereafter, a chairman and vice-chairman shall be elected by the council from among the council members. The chairman shall preside at meetings of the council, and in the absence or disqualification of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall preside. In the absence or disqualification of both the chairman and vice-chairman, the council shall designate one of its other members as temporary presiding officer. The chairman, vice-chairman, and temporary presiding officer shall be voting members of the council. The chairman shall receive additional compensation of \$50.00 per month?

SECTION 2. This ordinance is hereby adopted in accordance with Section 2-11 and Section 7-03 of the Home Rule Charter for St. Mary Parish, and the amendment set forth herein shall become effective only upon ratification by the electors of St. Mary Parish and, if so ratified, shall become effective on January 8, 2028.

This ordinance having been offered and read on this the 27th day of May 2026; having been published in accordance with law.

Mr. Adams moved to adopt the following Resolutions. Dr. Rink seconded the motion, which carried by the following 10-0-0-1 Roll Call vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Davis

RESOLUTION

Resolution approving the holding of an election by St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 3, State of Louisiana, on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 3, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 3, State of Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on May 19, 2026, calling a special election in the District on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority has requested that this Parish Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Parish Council to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 3, State of Louisiana, this Parish Council hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at which election there will be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION (MILLAGE CONTINUATION)

Shall St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 3, State of Louisiana (the "Commission"), continue to levy a 9.08 mills tax (an estimated \$1,290,800 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year) on all the property subject to taxation in the Commission for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, for the purpose of operating, maintaining, improving and extending the waterworks plant and system and sewer and sewerage treatment or disposal facilities owned and/or operated by the Commission,

said millage to represent a .48 mill increase (due to reappraisal) over the 8.60 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2026 pursuant to an election held April 29, 2017?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Parish Council does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 27th day of May 2026.

APPROVED:

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

ATTEST:

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

RESOLUTION

Resolution approving the holding of an election by St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 4, State of Louisiana, on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 4, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 4, State of Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on May 20, 2026, calling a special election in the District on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority has requested that this Parish Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Parish Council to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 4, State of Louisiana, this Parish Council hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at which election there will be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE CONTINUATION)**

Shall St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 4, State of Louisiana (the "Commission"), continue to 15.35 mills tax (an estimated \$607,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year) on all the property subject to taxation in the Commission for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, for the purpose of operating, maintaining, improving and extending the waterworks plant and system and sewer and sewerage treatment or disposal facilities owned and/or operated by the Commission, said millage to represent a .68 mill increase (due to reappraisal) over the 14.67 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2026 pursuant to an election held October 14, 2017?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Parish Council does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 27th day of May 2026.

APPROVED:

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

ATTEST:

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

RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE

Resolution authorizing and directing the President to execute for and on behalf of the Parish of St. Mary, a Certificate of Substantial Completion from Del-Con, LLC relative Emergency Power and Facility Improvements at the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (OHSEP) Warehouse.

WHEREAS, Del-Con, LLC, P.O. Box 916, Berwick, LA 70342, has substantially completed the Emergency Power and Facility Improvements at the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (OHSEP) Warehouse

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Parish of St. Mary that the President be, and he is hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to execute a Certificate of Substantial Completion for and on behalf of the Parish of St. Mary accepting Emergency Power and Facility Improvements at the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (OHSEP) Warehouse

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that he be authorized and directed to have a copy of said Certificate of Substantial Completion recorded in the mortgage records of St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the St. Mary Parish Council in regular session convened on this the 27th day of May 2026.

APPROVED:

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

ATTEST:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Referred from May 13, 2026, Council Meeting, Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Fire Protection District No. 2 (Centerville) – 1 Vacancy

Todd Pellerin – Present Member

Mr. Olander moved to reappoint Todd Pellerin to Fire Protection District No. 2. Dr. Rink seconded the motion, which carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. We received the following financial statements:

St. Mary Parish Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2A – year ended September 30, 2025
Fire Protection District No. 7 – year ended September 30, 2025
Hospital Service District No. 1/dba Bayou Bend Health System – year ended September 30, 2025
St. Mary Parish Library – year ended December 31, 2025
Recreation District No. 5 – Agreed Upon Procedures Report – year ended September 30, 2025
St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 2 - Agreed Upon Procedures Report – years ended September 30, 2025, and 2024
St. Mary Parish Wards 5 & 8 Joint Sewer Commission – year ended September 30, 2025
St. Mary Parish Waterworks District No. 5 – year ended May 31, 2025

- B. Wayne Cantrell, Jr. has written to resign from the Board of Gravity Sub-Drainage District No. 1 of Gravity Drainage District No. 2.

Mr. Cantrell will be sent a letter thanking him for his service and the vacancy will be advertised.

- C. Raymond R. Beadle, Jr. has emailed to resign from St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 2, Gravity Sub-Drainage District No. 1 of Gravity Drainage District No. 2 and Wax Lake East Drainage District.

Mr. Beadle will be sent a letter thanking him for his services and the vacancies will be advertised.

D. Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Board of Adjustments for the Parish of St. Mary (Alternate Position) - 1 Vacancy

No applications received.

Recreation District No. 5 (Four Corners, Sorrell & Glencoe) – 1 Vacancy

No applications received.

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

Lisa C. Morgan, Clerk

Gwendolyn L. Hidalgo, Chairperson