POSTED – FRIDAY: NOVEMBER 13, 2026, AT 10:00 A.M.

AGENDA
ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
SECOND REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2026 – 6:00 PM
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ROOM
FIFTH FLOOR COURTHOUSE
FRANKLIN, LA

1 – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRPERSON

2 – INVOCATION: ---------- HON. RODNEY OLANDER

3 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: ---------- HON. LESLIE RULF, JR.

4 – ROLL CALL

5 – READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

A. First Regular Meeting, November 4, 2026

6 – GUESTS

A. Carla Davis to appear before the Council to discuss Mosquito Control and Abatement.

B. Danika and Courtney Long to appear before the Council to discuss the Capital Outlay application regarding P.R 131/Verdunville Road repairs.

C. Tim Matte with Pitts & Matte, CPAs to appear before the Council with an update on the 2025 audit report.

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 – November 4, 2026 – 5:45 p.m.

11 – REPORT OF MEETINGS OTHER THAN COUNCIL MEETINGS:

12 – INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

A. **FOR INTRODUCTION** - An Ordinance amending and re-enacting Ordinance No. 2415 adopting the 2026 Combined Budgets of Revenues and Expenditures for the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana. (Adm.)

13 – ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

A. **FOR ADOPTION -** An Ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 2367 establishing the Personnel Policies for St. Mary Parish Government. (Mr. Olander)

B. **FOR ADOPTION** - An Ordinance in compliance with Ordinance No. 1973, Chapter 5 Procedures, Division 5.4 General Procedures for Public Hearing, Section 5.4.2 Rezonings (Zoning Map Amendments). (Circle L Cattle Co LLC) (Mr. Olander)

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. (Craig Carline, Jr.) (Mr. Olander)

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14 – RESOLUTIONS:

A. Resolution to establish the cost per ton for the disposal of solid waste delivered and accepted by the Parish of St. Mary, in accordance with the Solid Waste Disposal Agreement between the St. Mary Parish Council, the Cities of Morgan City, Franklin, and Patterson and the Towns of Baldwin and Berwick, Louisiana. (Adm.)

B. Resolution authorizing Gwendolyn L. Hidalgo, the Chairperson of the St. Mary Parish Council, to execute the Parish's Audit engagement letter for the periods ending December 31, 2026, and December 31, 2027, and Agreed Upon Procedures engagement letter for the period ending December 31, 2026, and December 31, 2027, with the firm of Pitts & Matte. (Rev. Mathews)

C. Resolution pertaining to the provisions of professional engineering services in connection with solid waste needs and facilities in St. Mary Parish. (Adm.)

D. Resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, to vote upon the adoption of amendments to the current St. Mary Parish Home Rule Charter, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (Adm.)

E. Resolution approving the holding of an election in Fire Protection District No. 7 of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, April 17, 2027, to authorize the renewal of a special tax therein. (Adm.)

15 – OLD BUSINESS:

A. Referred from October 14, 2026, Regular Council Meeting - Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Recreation District No. 1 (Amelia) – 1 Vacancy

Timothy Aucoin, Jr. – Present Member
Phong N. Nguyen
Tyrone L. Richardson
Jacqueline W. Clark

Recreation District No. 4 (Patterson) – 1 Vacancy

Lawrence Welch, III

B. Referred from November 4, 2026, Regular Council Meeting - Edgar Martien, Jr., owner of KFGL, LLC, leasee of Atchafalaya Restaurant at Idlewild located at 400 Cotten Rd., Patterson, Louisiana requests a residency variance to obtain a 2027 Full Liquor Permit.

C. Referred from November 4, 2026, Regular Council Meeting - Shakeel Shamsuddin and Aslam Noorani, owners of Amelia Petroleum, formally Diamond Discount No. 2 and Amelia Truck Stop, leasee of Domino Estates, located at 9731 Hwy. 182E., Morgan City (Amelia), Louisiana, requests a residency variance to obtain a 2027 Full Liquor Permit.

D. Referred from November 4, 2026, Regular Council Meeting - Shakeel Shamsuddin and Aslam Noorani, owners of Amelia Petroleum, LLC dba UNO Casino, formally The Platform Gentleman's Club, leasee of Domino Estates, located at 9699 Hwy. 182E., Morgan City (Amelia), Louisiana, requests a residency variance to obtain a 2027 Full Liquor Permit.

E. Referred from November 4, 2026, Regular Council Meeting - Muhammad Amersi, owner of Amerrani Franklin, LLC (Convenient Store) formally Choocha Store No. 2, leasee of American Saks LLC/Intex, LLC located at 7716 Hwy. 182, Suite A, Franklin, Louisiana requests a residency variance to obtain a 2027 Full Liquor Permit.

F. Referred from November 4, 2026, Regular Council Meeting - Muhammad Amersi, owner of Amerrani Franklin, LLC, Bar 182 formally Choocha Bar, leasee of American Saks LLC/Intex, LLC located at 7716 Hwy. 182, Suite B, Franklin, Louisiana requests a residency variance to obtain a 2027 Full Liquor Permit.

G. Referred from November 4, 2026, Regular Council Meeting - Shayla Anderson, owner of Stable Lounge, LLC, leasee of Columbia Talmore, Jr., property owner located at 300 Bosco Road, Jeanerette, Louisiana, requests a residency variance to obtain a 2027 Full Liquor Permit.

H. Referred from November 4, 2026, Regular Council Meeting - G.R. Rupani, owner of Hwy. 90 Casino, LLC, formally Jubilee Casino at Burns Point located at 1032 Hwy. 317, Franklin, Louisiana, requests a residency variance to obtain a 2027 Full Liquor Permit.

I. Referred from the November 4, 2026, Regular Council Meeting – Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Wax Lake East Drainage District (Berwick, Bayou Vista, Patterson & Calumet)– 1 Vacancy

Merlin R. Price, Jr. Brady James Oncale, II

J. Discussion and action regarding "Lean Frog", Wage Comparability Study and Organizational Study updates for St. Mary Parish Government. (Mr. Ina)

K. Discussion and Action relative to retaining legal counsel for personnel actions investigation. (Rev. Mathews)

16 – NEW BUSINESS:

A. Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

St. Mary Parish Library Board of Control – 2 Vacancies

Cherie Laiche – Present Member Jason Watson – Present Member

West St. Mary Parish Port, Harbor and Terminal (Ward 1, 2, 7, or 10) – 1 Vacancy

Juanita Rodriguez Clements

B. Karim Rupani, owner of Franklin Fuelz, LLC, formally Jubilee Truck Stop, leasee of Franklin Travel Plaza, located at 1032 Hwy. 317, Franklin, Louisiana, requests a residency variance to obtain a 2027 Full Liquor Permit.

17 – ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with Act 393 of 2023 and the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact Lisa C. Morgan, Clerk of the Council at 337-828-4100, Ext. 5050, describing the assistance that is necessary.

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