

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND THE NEW IBERIA CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF NEW IBERIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A MEETING  
HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022 @ 5:31 P.M.**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, met in public session at City Hall, 457 East Main Street, New Iberia, Louisiana, on August 16, 2022, at Five-Thirty-One (5:31) p.m., (Central Standard Time). Present were the Mayor, Freddie DeCourt, as well as the following members of the New Iberia City Council: Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire. Also present was Jeff Simon, City Attorney and Lanie Kerlegon, City Clerk. Absent from the meeting were David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter.

The City Council for the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the governing authority for the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, by the Honorable Mayor, who then stated that the Governing Authority was ready for the transaction of business. Council member, Dustin Suire led the prayer and pledge.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:**

- a. Acceptance of the minutes of August 2, 2022, which will publish on August 19, 2022.

**Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin, seconded by Deedy Johnson-Reid.**

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**3. RESOLUTIONS:**

- a. **Resolution No. 22-173:** Correcting Resolution No. 22-173 to reflect the approval of a contract for engineering services with Domingue, Szabo, & Associates Inc for services associated with Iberia Parish Sewerage District No. 1 American Rescue Plan Act Water Sector Program Project for Plant 3 Improvements

**Motion by Deedy Johnson-Reid, seconded by Brooke Marcotte.**

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter**

**ABSTAINED: None**

- b. **Resolution No. 22-182:** Declaring various Wastewater equipment/property as surplus property and further authorizing their disposal.

**Motion by Marlon Lewis, seconded by Brooke Marcotte.**

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter**

**ABSTAINED: None**

- c. **Resolution No. 22-183:** Authorizing the Mayor to execute an Independent Contractor Service Agreement with Maxine B. Gonsoulin for professional services to the City of New Iberia.

**Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin, seconded by Dustin Suire.**

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**4. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

- a. Introduction of Ordinance No. 2022-18:** An Ordinance amending and reenacting Section 58-56 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Iberia, Louisiana, regarding the curfew for minors within the city limits of New Iberia and to set for Public Hearing on September 6, 2022.

**Motion by Marlon Lewis, seconded by Brooke Marcotte.**

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter**

**ABSTAINED: None**

- b. Introduction of Special Ordinance No. 2021-2022-10:** An Ordinance amending the budget to reflect fund allocation to City of New Iberia Civic Center Marina (Phases I & II) FP&C No.: 16-01-00-86-06/F.160000156 (Phase I) & F.16000161 (Phase II); and New Iberia CVA Pumpout Grant, Amendment 2, Purchase Order No. 2000303106 and to set for Public Hearing on September 6, 2022.

**Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin, seconded by Deedy Johnson-Reid.**

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**5. PROPERTY STANDARDS:**

- a. Public Hearing and Action (Resolution No. 22-184)** on the state of buildings located at 809 Edna Street (District 5), per Resolution 22-152, as noticed and advertised on July 6, 2022.

**Public Hearing:** The property owner was not present. Building Official Jimmy Landry provided an inspection report and photographs of the property to which remediations have not begun.

**Resolution No. 22-184:** Declaring that the City shall proceed with the demolition and removal of the building(s) or structure(s) located at 809 Edna Street (District 5), and the City of New Iberia shall file a Lien and Privilege for the cost of demolishing or removing the buildings or structures against the lot and improvements upon which the building or structure is situated, all as more fully provided by R.S. 33:4761 - 4766.

**Motion by Deedy Johnson-Reid, seconded by Marlon Lewis.**

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter**

**ABSTAINED: None**

- b. **Public Hearing and Action (Resolution No. 22-185)** on the state of buildings located at 808 Lombard Street (District 2), per Resolution No. 22-153, as noticed and advertised on July 6, 2022.

**Public Hearing:** Property owner was not present. Building Official Jimmy Landry provided an inspection report and photographs of the property to which remediations have not begun. Council member Marlon Lewis advised that he has spoken to the family associated with the property who have stated that they are not interested in the property.

**Resolution No. 22-185:** Declaring that the City shall proceed with the demolition and removal of the building(s) or structure(s) located at 808 Lombard Street (District 2), and the City of New Iberia shall file a Lien and Privilege for the cost of demolishing or removing the buildings or structures against the lot and improvements upon which the building or structure is situated, all as more fully provided by R.S. 33:4761 - 4766.

**Motion by Marlon Lewis, seconded by Ricky Gonsoulin.**

**YEAS:** Brooke Marcotte, Marlon Lewis, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSENT:** David Broussard and Deidre Ledbetter  
**ABSTAINED:** None

6. **COUNCIL REMARKS:**

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. The next regularly scheduled city council meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022.
- b. Reminder to council and citizens to participate in the MS4 Storm Water Survey at [www.cityofnewiberia.com](http://www.cityofnewiberia.com) under Public Works section.
- c. **City of New Iberia currently has adjudicated properties available for sale at CivicSource.com.** To initiate the auction process on one or more properties, the investor must place a deposit of \$850 on each property, which starts the prerequisite legal research and notification process that is required before the auction takes place. The pre-sale process takes approximately 120 days to complete. If the current property owner pays all delinquent taxes and fees during the pre-sale period, the depositor is refunded the deposit and the sale is halted. Visit [CivicSource.com](http://CivicSource.com) to learn more.

8. **ADJOURN:**

A motion was made by Ricky Gonsoulin, seconded by Deedy Johnson-Reid to adjourn at 6:08 p.m.

/s/Lanie Kerlegon  
Lanie Kerlegon, City Clerk  
City of New Iberia, Louisiana