

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND THE NEW IBERIA CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF NEW IBERIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR  
MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023, AT 5:32 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 January 3, 2023, at Five-Thirty-two (5:32) 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, David Broussard, Ricky Gonsoulin, Deidre Ledbetter, Deedy Johnson-Reid, and Dustin Suire. Also present were Jeff Simon, City Attorney and Lanie Kerlegon, City Clerk.

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 Ricky Gonsoulin led the prayer and pledge.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:**

- a. Acceptance of the minutes of December 20, 2022, which will publish on January 8, 2023

**Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin and seconded by Marlon Lewis:**

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

**3. PUBLIC HEARING:**

- a. Public Hearing regarding the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's proposed closure of the Deare Street Railroad Crossing

**Motion to open Public Hearing: Deedy Johnson-Reid; 2<sup>nd</sup> David Broussard**

**Public comment: NONE**

**Motion to close Public Hearing: Deedy Johnson-Reid; 2<sup>nd</sup> Dustin Suire**

- b. **Ordinance No. 2022-27:** An Ordinance authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute an agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and Blue Line Solutions, LLC for the installation of automated speed enforcement systems within school zones in the city limits of New Iberia

**Motion to open Public Hearing: Ricky Gonsoulin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Brooke Marcotte**

**Public comment: NONE**

**Motion to close Public Hearing: Ricky Gonsoulin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Deedy Johnson-Reid**

- c. **Ordinance No. 2022-28:** Authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and the Boys & Girls Club of Acadiana related to the expansion of the Boys & Girls Club at the West End Park Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center

**Motion to open Public Hearing: Marlon Lewis; 2<sup>nd</sup> Brooke Marcotte**

**Public comment: NONE**

**Motion to close Public Hearing: Ricky Gonsoulin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Marlon Lewis**

- d. **Ordinance No. 2022-29:** Authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and Fremin's Food and Furniture, Inc. related to the sale of concessions at the LA Pepperplex

**Motion to open Public Hearing: Deedy Johnson-Reid; 2<sup>nd</sup> Brooke Marcotte**

**Public comment: NONE**

**Motion to close Public Hearing: Ricky Gonsoulin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Marlon Lewis**

**4. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION:**

- a. **Ordinance No. 2022-27:** An Ordinance authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute an agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and Blue Line Solutions, LLC for the installation of automated speed enforcement systems within school zones in the city limits of New Iberia

**Motion by Deedy Johnson-Reid and seconded by Brooke Marcotte:**

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

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**Motion by Marlon Lewis and seconded by Brooke Marcotte:**

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

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**Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin and seconded by Deedy Johnson-Reid:**

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

**5. RESOLUTIONS:**

- a. **Resolution No. 23-01:** Accepting Change Order No. 2 for the LA Pepperplex Sports Field Lighting Project and authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith

**Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin and seconded by Brooke Marcotte:**

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

- b. **Resolution No. 23-02:** Accepting Change Order No. 2 for the Civic Center Marina (Phase I) Project and authorizing the mayor to execute any and all, documentation in connection therewith

**Motion by Deedy Johnson-Reid and seconded by Dustin Suire:**

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

- c. **Resolution No. 23-03:** Authorizing the mayor to sign the FY 2023 pre-application packet from the State Revolving Loan Fund (Wastewater Facilities) through the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for the City of New Iberia’s wastewater utility

**Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin and seconded by Brooke Marcotte:**

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

- d. **Resolution No. 23-04:** Accepting Capital Outlay funding for Facility Planning & Control Project 50-ML1-22-03, Ann Street Park, Planning and Construction, and designating Jane Braud to act on behalf of the City of New Iberia in all matters pertaining to this project, as well as authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute any and all contracts or documentation in connection therewith

**Motion by Deedy Johnson-Reid and seconded by Marlon Lewis:**

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

**6. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

- a. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 2023-01:** An Ordinance approving contract between the City of New Iberia and Minvielle & Associates, Inc. for grant administrative consulting services and authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute any and all documentation in connection therewith, and setting for Public Hearing on January 17, 2023

**Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin and seconded by Brooke Marcotte**

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

- b. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 2023-02:** An Ordinance amending Section 18-28 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Iberia, relating to waiver land use regulations relative to permitting for mobile homes, recreational vehicles or other temporary housing located directly adjacent to an applicant’s damaged dwelling in the event of a declared gubernatorial disaster or emergency, waived by the mayor on a case-by-case basis to allow for expedited delivery, and setting for Public Hearing on January 17, 2023

**Motion by Marlon Lewis and seconded by Brooke Marcotte:**

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

**7. FINANCE REPORTS:**

Kevin Zerangue presented the monthly budget to actual report for November 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022.

**8. COUNCIL REMARKS:**

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. The next regularly scheduled city council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.
- 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.

10. **ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn at 7:10p.m.

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