

**CADDO PARISH COMMISSION
505 TRAVIS STREET, GOVERNMENT PLAZA
PUBLIC NOTICE
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

January 24, 2024

1:00 P.M.

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1. ROLL CALL:

Commissioners:

Kracman	District 1	Gage-Watts	District 7
G. Young	District 2	Blake	District 8
Thomas	District 3	Atkins	District 9
J.P. Young	District 4	Cothran	District 10
Burrell	District 5	Lazarus	District 11
Giles	District 6	Epperson	District 12

2. INVOCATION:

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. AGENDA ADDITIONS:

5. CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Citizens who wish to address the Commission, please fill out a comment card by clicking [HERE](#) and submit to the Commission Clerk's Office, or they may fill out a comment card located in the Chamber foyer and return to the President of the Clerk of the Commission. Individual comments are limited to 3 minutes.

NOTE: Citizens who wish to address the Commission on matters relative to public hearings (items listed on the agenda only) will be limited to a cumulative total of 15 minutes each, for or against an issue. Those who wish to speak or make a presentation are asked to select their speakers and address the points they wish considered with this limitation in mind.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

6.I. SELECTION OF INTERIM CONSTABLE, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE WARD III-
MOORINGSPORT DISTRICT

John McCaherty

Documents:

[MCCAHERTY.PDF](#)

6.II. Resolution No. 7 Of 2024

A PROCLAMATION (RESOLUTION) ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TO FILL THE VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF CONSTABLE, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE WARD 3, MOORINGSPORT DISTRICT, FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM THEREOF; TO SET THE DATE THEREFOR AND OTHER PERTINENT MATTERS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

(Commissioner Kracman)

Documents:

[RES 7 OF 2024 FALL ELECTION CONSTABLE WARD 3 MOORINGSPORT DISTRICT.PDF](#)

7. ADJOURN:

To all persons desiring to attend and observe a meeting of the Caddo Parish Commission, or who wish to present information to the body: If you have physical limitations that require special accommodations in order for you to attend and participate in a meeting of the Caddo Parish Commission, please contact the office of the Caddo Parish Commission Clerk at (318) 226-6596, at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting so that an effort can be made to provide those accommodations.

JOHN MCCAHERTY

Longwood, La. | C: 314-315-0661 | JcMcCaherty@gmail.com

PROFILE

Having experience in law enforcement, security, business, sales, customer service, and public service as a State Representative for Missouri, I am looking to be an asset to your organization. Seeking part-time employment.

SKILL HIGHLIGHTS

- Project management
- Leadership/communication skills
- Business operations, organization
- Client account management
- Negotiations expert
- Employee Relations
- Self-motivated
- Budgeting expertise

CORE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Project Management:

- Spearheaded company acquisitions and expansion with Tipton Linen and Uniform which resulted in a local Cape Girardeau, MO. company expanding into the St. Louis market, as well as Tennessee, Arkansas, and Kentucky.
- Supervised all sales and service staff
- Maintained expert customer relations and retention
- Supervised new projects, throughout bid process to completed project.

Human Resources:

- Analyzed current practices and developed a new training program which increased retention.

Negotiations:

- **Experience in the USAF Security Police, Corrections, Law Enforcement, Constable's Office, as well as four terms as a State Representative for Missouri has proved invaluable in navigating difficult situations.**

Professional Experience

10/2023 - Present - Deputy Constable Ward III Caddo Parish

04/2021 - Present - Police Officer, Mooringsport La. (Part Time)

01/2020 - Present - Pastor, Ferry Lake Baptist Church. Oil City La.

10/2018 - 3/2020 - Family Service Manager, Forest Park West Cemetery

10/2010 - 07/2018 Asst. Manager Harbor Frieght Tools. Bossier City La.

01/2018 - 07/2018 Director of Maintenance, Sunnyhill Inc.

Directed the day to day maintenance of forty waiver homes, along with a camp, living center, and main office areas.

Left Sunnyhill because of family illness, I needed to move home to Louisiana to care for my mother.

01/2011 - 12/2017 - State Representative 97th District Missouri House of Representatives. Jefferson City, MO.

05/2001 - 04/2016 - Pastor First Baptist Church of Murphy. Fenton MO.

01/1994 - 12/2006 - Sales & Service Manager Tipton Linen & Uniform, Cape Girardeau MO.

01/1995 - 12/2001 - Pastor Unity Baptist Church, Unity Illinois

01/1991 - 01/1993 - Corrections Officer, Stateville Correctional Center.
Joliet Illinois

01/1984 - 01/1989 - USAF Security Police Officer, Barksdale AFB La.

References:

Jessie Colston: Chief of Police Rodessa La. 318-780-9066

Kelvin Douglas: Assist. Chief of Police Oil City La. 318-560-2958

Brian Anderson: Justice of the Peace Ward III Caddo Parish 318-464-2053

Janet Terry: Chief of Police Mooringsport La. 318-402-5575

LA Peace Officer Training Report (2020 - 2024)

Officer: John McCaherty

Agency: MOORINGSPORT P.D.

Training Record

2020 ^

Course	Completion Date	Training Area	Hours
Use of Force - Part Two - 2020	11/25/2020	Officer Survival	1.00
Investigating Sexual Assault-2020	10/28/2020	Electives	1.00
Responding to Sexual Assault - 2020	10/15/2020	Electives	1.00
Understanding Sexual Assault - 2020	10/14/2020	Electives	1.00
Use of Force - Part One - 2020	06/18/2020	Officer Survival	1.00
Firearms qualifications 2020	06/01/2020	Firearms	8.00
Aspects of a Critical Incident - 2020	05/17/2020	Officer Survival	1.00
LACRASH Completing Crash Reports - 2020	05/17/2020	Electives	1.00
Search & Seizure 2020	05/17/2020	Legal	1.00
Radar recertification 2020	05/05/2020	Legal	1.00
COVID-19 Roll Call Training	04/14/2020	Electives	1.00
	04/14/2020	Electives	1.00

Making the Arrest Decision - 2020			
Dynamics of Domestic Violence - 2020	03/31/2020	Electives	1.00
Elder Abuse - 2020	03/24/2020	Electives	1.00
Soverin citizen &domestic Terrorism Training	02/24/2020	Officer Survival	8.00
ACTIVE SHOOTER PREPAREDNESS	01/17/2020	Firearms	2.00

2021



Course	Completion Date	Training Area	Hours
OCPD: 2021 Radar Recertification	10/04/2021	Legal	4.00
OCPD: Firearms Qualification 2021	06/04/2021	Firearms	8.00
OCPD: Integrated Drug and Contraband Interdiction	05/12/2021	Electives	24.00
OCPD: RADAR RECERTIFICATION 2021	04/07/2021	Electives	2.00
OCPD: Officer Involved Shooting 2021	04/01/2021	Officer Survival	8.00
Report Writing	03/18/2021	Legal	1.00
Preventing Sexual Harassment - 2021	03/08/2021	Legal	1.00
TRAUMA KIT TRAINING	03/02/2021	Officer Survival	1.00
Building Search/Clearance	01/28/2021	Officer Survival	2.00
OCPD: La. Ethics	01/07/2021	Legal	2.00

2022



Course	Completion Date	Training Area	Hours
Protective Order Registry - 2022	09/20/2022	Electives	1.00
Labor Trafficking - A Closer Look 2022	09/20/2022	Electives	1.00
Laws Involving Crimes of Human Trafficking - 2022	09/20/2022	Legal	1.00
Labor Trafficking - Intro 2022	09/09/2022	Electives	1.00
Introduction to U-Visa and T-Visa - 2022	09/09/2022	Electives	1.00
Human Trafficking: An Introduction to Modern Slavery - 2022	09/09/2022	Electives	1.00
Dynamics of Human Trafficking - 2022	09/09/2022	Electives	1.00
LA eCrash - 2022	08/31/2022	Electives	1.00
The Neurobiology of Trauma - 2022	08/16/2022	Electives	1.00
Investigating Domestic Violence: Strangulation - 2022	08/16/2022	Electives	1.00
Skills and Strategies in Responding to Human Trafficking - 2022	08/08/2022	Electives	1.00
LOUISIANA PROTECTIVE ORDER REG.	06/07/2022	Legal	1.00
LACRASH Completing Crash Reports - 2022	05/06/2022	Electives	1.00
Patrol Response for Illegal Immigrants - 2022	05/03/2022	Electives	1.00
	04/26/2022	Legal	1.00

Search & Seizure
2022

Dynamics of Domestic Violence - 2022	04/26/2022	Electives	1.00
Firearms Qualification 2022	04/21/2022	Firearms	8.00
Officer Survival Tactics (OST)	03/09/2022	Officer Survival	24.00
Making the Arrest Decision - 2022	02/23/2022	Electives	1.00
Responding to Calls of Domestic Violence - 2022	02/16/2022	Electives	1.00
OCPD: Officer Wellness & Suicide Prevention	02/10/2022	Officer Survival	4.00
Basic Narcotic Investigation	02/04/2022	Legal	40.00

2023



Course	Completion Date	Training Area	Hours
POST 2023 - Firearms (deficiency)	12/31/2023	Firearms	1.00
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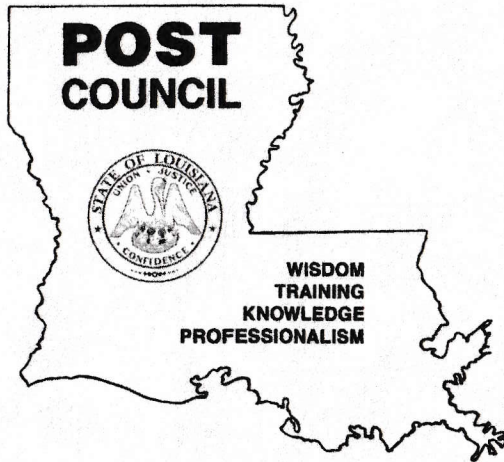
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POST 2023 - Firearms	12/31/2023	Firearms	1.00
(deficiency)			
POST 2023 - Officer Survival (deficiency)	12/31/2023	Officer Survival	1.00
POST 2023 - Officer Survival (deficiency)	12/31/2023	Officer Survival	1.00
Use of Force - Part Two - 2023	02/10/2023	Officer Survival	1.00
Search & Seizure 2023	02/10/2023	Legal	1.00
Use of Force - Part One - 2023	01/25/2023	Officer Survival	1.00
Aspects of a Critical Incident - 2023	01/25/2023	Officer Survival	1.00
Protecting Louisiana Families AG Office	01/24/2023	Electives	8.00
2023 Ethics Training	01/06/2023	Legal	1.00
2023 Sexual Harassment Training	01/06/2023	Legal	1.00

2024



Course	Completion Date	Training Area	Hours
La. Ethics 2024	01/03/2024	Legal	1.00

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State of Louisiana

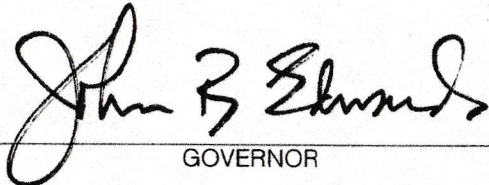
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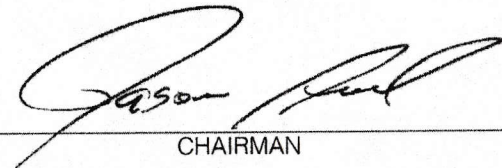
hereby recognizes the registration of
grandfathered part-time/reserve peace officer

JOHN CLEVELAND MCCAHERTY

as provided for in the Laws of the State of Louisiana.

Issued this First day of January, in the year 2022.


GOVERNOR


CHAIRMAN


This certificate remains the property of the State of Louisiana,
and is subject to be revoked at any time.



State of Louisiana
Peace Officer Standards & Training Council
POST FIREARMS CERTIFICATE

This certificate is awarded to
JOHN CLEVELAND MCCAHERTY

In recognition of satisfactory completion of the
POST FIREARMS QUALIFICATIONS COURSE
Held at CADDO PARISH SO RANGE
on 05/08/2023 - Expiration Date 05/08/2024



This signature certifies the accuracy of the name of the recipient and is subject to the provisions of the laws.



COUNCIL

OATH OF OFFICE

Section 1: Public official taking the oath of office completes and signs this section.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF CADDO

I, JOHN C. McCAHEATY (print full name) do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the constitution and laws of the United States and the constitution and laws of this state and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as: DEPUTY CONSTABLE WARD III MORNINGSPORT PARISH according to the best of my ability and understanding, so help me God.

X [Signature] (signature of public official)

Section 2: Public official administering the oath of office completes this section.

Officials authorized to administer oaths are the Governor, Secretary of State, a Judge, a Clerk of Court, a Notary Public or a Justice of the Peace.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1ST day of OCTOBER, 2023
(day) (month) (year)

X [Signature] 09-03-B
(signature of official administering the oath)

Bryan K Anderson (printed name of official administering the oath) JUSTICE OF THE PEACE (title of official administering the oath) 09-03-B (notary #, if applicable)

Section 3: Public official taking the oath of office completes this section.

ATTENTION: Please provide or update all contact information below. Office contact information for public officials is published on the Secretary of State's website. If an office address is not provided, the residence address will be published.

OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS:

Office: _____
Street: _____
City/State/Zip: _____

RESIDENCE MAILING ADDRESS:

Name: John McCaherty
Street: P.O. Box 256
City/State/Zip: MORNINGSPORT LA. 71060

No changes requested

Telephone: _____

Telephone: 314-315-0661

Office Email: _____

Section 4: Public official taking the oath of office completes this section.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE LOUISIANA CODE OF GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS*:

I hereby acknowledge that I have received a digital copy of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics from the Secretary of State's website.

X [Signature] (signature of public official)

*The Louisiana Secretary of State has provided a link to a digital Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics in an official letter included with your Commission Certificate. In accordance with La R.S. 42:1162, the commissioned public servant must acknowledge receipt of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics when filing their Oath of Office. By signing above, you have complied with La R.S. 42:1162.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- On receipt of a commission or commission certificate, a public officer has 30 days to take an Oath of Office, give bond (if required), and file as follows:
 - Original Oath of Office filed with Secretary of State by mail at P.O. Box 94125, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9125 or hand delivery at 8585 Archives Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70809.
 - Duplicate original Oath of Office filed with the parish Clerk of Court. (In Orleans Parish file with the Clerk of Civil District Court.)
 - All Oaths of Office must be filed for recording within one month of being taken.
 - Failure to take an Oath of Office within 30 days creates a vacancy in office, to be filled in accordance with law. **IMPORTANT:** Taking an Oath of Office does not automatically vacate a public officer's present office, if any. A notice of retirement or resignation may be necessary to vacate a present office.
 - An Oath of Office taken early (prior to the date shown on the commission) is not effective until the term of office begins or upon the date of the commission.
- For more information, see La R.S. 42:141, La R.S. 42:162, La R.S. 18:581 and La R.S. 18:651-654.

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PREVIOUS EDITIONS OF THIS FORM ARE OBSOLETE.

CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE DUTY

1. NAME (Last, first, middle) MCCAHERTY JOHN CLEVELAND		2. DUTY, COMPONENT AND BRANCH AIR FORCE--REG AF		3. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 439 39 5330		
4a. GRADE, RATE OR RANK SGT	4b. PAY GRADE E4	5. DATE OF BIRTH 1965 APR 6	6. PLACE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE DUTY SHREVEPORT LA			
7. LAST DUTY ASSIGNMENT AND MAJOR COMMAND 2SPS (SAC)			8. STATION WHERE SEPARATED BARKSDALE AFB LA			
9. COMMAND TO WHICH TRANSFERRED NOT APPLICABLE			10. SGLI COVERAGE AMOUNT \$ 50 000 <input type="checkbox"/> NONE			
11. PRIMARY SPECIALTY NUMBER, TITLE AND YEARS AND MONTHS IN SPECIALTY (Additional specialty numbers and titles involving periods of one or more years) 81150 - SECURITY SPECIALIST, 4 YEARS AND MONTHS			12. RECORD OF SERVICE			
			a. Date Entered AD This Period	1985	FEB	11
			b. Separation Date This Period	1989	NOV	01
			c. Net Active Service This Period	04	08	21
			d. Total Prior Active Service	00	00	00
			e. Total Prior Inactive Service	00	05	10
			f. Foreign Service	00	00	00
			g. Sea Service	00	00	00
			h. Effective Date of Pay Grade	1987	JAN	27
			i. Reserve Oblig. Term. Date	NOT APPLICABLE		
13. DECORATIONS, MEDALS, BADGES, CITATIONS AND CAMPAIGN RIBBONS AWARDED OR AUTHORIZED (All periods of service) AIR FORCE OUTSTANDING UNIT AWARD WITH ONEDAK LEAF CLUSTER, AIR FORCE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, SMALL ARMS EXPERT MARKSMANSHIP RIBBON, AIR FORCE TRAINING RIBBON.						
14. MILITARY EDUCATION (Course Title, number weeks, and month and year complete) USAF BASIC MILITARY TRAINING, 6 WEEKS, MAR 85. NCO PREPARATORY COURSE, 2 WEEKS, MAR 87						
15. MEMBER CONTRIBUTED TO POST-VIETNAM ERA VETERANS' EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO			16. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OR EQUIVALENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		17. DAYS ACCRUED LEAVE PAID -20.5-	
18. REMARKS CONTINUOUS ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE DATE: 1 FEB 1985 TERM OF CURRENT ENLISTMENT: 6 YEARS. MEMBER WAS EITHER NOT PROVIDED A COMPLETE DENTAL EXAM, OR ALL APPROPRIATE DENTAL SERVICES AND TREATMENT WERE NOT PROVIDED WITHIN 90 DAYS PRIOR TO SEPARATION, OR BOTH.--NOTHING FOLLOWS--						
19. MAILING ADDRESS AFTER SEPARATION 215 LINNWIN CIR BENTON LA 71006			20. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 6 BE SENT TO <u>IA</u> DIR. OF VET AFFAIRS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
21. SIGNATURE OF MEMBER BEING SEPARATED <i>[Signature]</i>		22. TYPED NAME, GRADE, TITLE AND SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN STANLEY H. MCKENLEY, MEST-1 USAF SPT, Quality Force Section				

SPECIAL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (For use by authorized agencies only)

23. TYPE OF SEPARATION DISCHARGE	24. CHARACTER OF SERVICE (Includes upgrades) HONORABLE		27. REENLISTMENT CODE 4A
25. SEPARATION AUTHORITY AFR 39-10	26. SEPARATION CODE KDB		
28. NARRATIVE REASON FOR SEPARATION HARDSHIP REASONS			30. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 4 <i>[Signature]</i> INITIALS
29. DATES OF TIME LOST DURING THIS PERIOD NONE			

RESOLUTION NO. 7 OF 2024

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A PROCLAMATION (RESOLUTION) ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TO FILL THE VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF CONSTABLE, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE WARD 3, MOORINGSPOINT DISTRICT, FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM THEREOF; TO SET THE DATE THEREFOR AND OTHER PERTINENT MATTERS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of Constable, Justice of the Peace Ward 3, Mooringsport District, due to the resignation of the Honorable Roger D. Harris on January 3, 2024 and

WHEREAS, the unexpired term of said office exceeds eighteen months; and

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission, as the governing authority of the Parish of Caddo, is therefore required to call an election to fill the unexpired term of said office by La. R.S. 18:602.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, as follows:

Section 1. That, as required by and pursuant to law, an election shall be and the same is hereby called to elect a successor to the office of Constable, Justice of the Peace Ward 3, Mooringsport District to serve the unexpired term of the vacant office.

Section 2. That, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:602 and 18:402, the primary election to elect a successor to the unexpired term shall be held on November 5, 2024, and the general election, should it be necessary, shall be held on December 7, 2024; both elections to be held within the boundaries of Caddo Parish Justice of the Peace Ward 3, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana, between the hours of seven (7:00) o'clock a.m. and eight (8:00) o'clock p.m. in compliance with the provisions of the Louisiana Election Code.

Section 3. That the Clerk of the Caddo Parish Commission shall publish this resolution immediately in the official journal of the Parish of Caddo.

Section 4. That the polling places for Commissioners and the polling places for this election shall be the same as those designated and approved as polling places within Constable, Justice of the Peace Ward 3, Mooringsport District in accordance with the provisions of the Louisiana Election Code.

Section 5. That the qualifying period for the primary election shall open at 8:30 a.m. on July 17, 2024, and shall close at 4:30 p.m. on July 19, 2024.

Section 6. In accordance with Title 18, Section 426 of the Revised Statutes of Louisiana the number of commissioners serving at each precinct is hereby reduced to the minimum number authorized by law.

Section 7. That the Clerk of the Caddo Parish Commission be and he is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to execute and furnish any certification, form, proclamation, or ancillary requirement for the proper holding of said election.

Section 8. That the Clerk of the Caddo Parish Commission shall forward certified copies of this Resolution by certified mail within twenty-four (24) hours to the Louisiana Secretary of State and the Caddo Parish Clerk of Court, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:602.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

MEMBERS:	YEAS:	NAYS:	ABSENT:	ABSTAINING:
Chris Kracman	_____	_____	_____	_____
Gregory Young	_____	_____	_____	_____
Victor Thomas	_____	_____	_____	_____
John-Paul Young	_____	_____	_____	_____
Roy Burrell	_____	_____	_____	_____
Handy Giles, Sr.	_____	_____	_____	_____
Stormy Gage-Watts	_____	_____	_____	_____
Grace Anne Blake	_____	_____	_____	_____
John E. Atkins	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ron Cothran	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ed Lazarus	_____	_____	_____	_____
Kenneth Epperson, Sr.	_____	_____	_____	_____

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 24th day of January, 2024

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved as to legal form:

Parish Attorney

Date