

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF
THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION
HELD ON THE 6th DAY OF JULY 2023

The Caddo Parish Commission met in a Regular Session, on the above date, at 3:34 p.m., in the Government Chambers, with Mr. Burrell, presiding, and the following members in attendance constituting a quorum: Commissioners Atkins, Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Lazarus, and Young (11). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez (1).

The invocation was given by Mr. Jones, and Mr. Cothran led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Audrey Garlington performed the Star-Spangled Banner.

AGENDA ADDITIONS

It was **moved by Mr. Young**, seconded by Mr. Chavez, *to expand the agenda and add Visit Regarding Prolec/GE Plant (In Caddo) Holding Its Job Fair in Bossier City on July 12, 2023 and Reallocate Up To \$75,000 In ARPA Funds from TruFund To the Shreveport Police Department to Provide Additional Resources Related to The Recent Mass Shooting Incident on July 4th.*

Point of Information by Mr. Epperson, whether there were Prolec GE representatives present. The Clerk advised that members from the NLEP were present on behalf of Prolec GE.

The Chair opened the floor for anyone to speak in favor or opposition to the agenda addition. There being no one to speak in favor or against the agenda addition, the Chair closed the public hearing.

Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Atkins, Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Johnson, Jones, Lazarus, and Young (10). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioners Chavez, and Jackson (2). ABSTAIN: None (0).

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Public comment by Irma Rogers to present an award to the Caddo Commission on behalf of the Martin Luther King Community Development Corporation.

VISITORS

- Visit Loving Little Ones

Director Victor Thomas invited the Commission to the Loving Little Ones' 2023 Pop Up Shelter event at the State Fairgrounds on Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm. The event would provide breakfast, lunch and dinner meals, job placement services, free hair cutting and styling services, housing services and other services. To volunteer please call 318-344-9754, visit www.lovinglittleons.org or reach out on social media. Director Thomas explained that donations would be received at the AG center on the Fairgrounds and the Highland House.

- Agenda Addition: Visit Regarding Prolec/GE Plant (in Caddo) Holding its job fair in Bossier City on July 12, 2023

Mr. Justin Dixon read a letter from Prolec HR Director Kevin Quindlen:

Hello Commission, Prolec GE tried to schedule, on a short timeline, a Shreveport hotel that had the space needed to accommodate a large job fair. Shreveport Downtown Hilton was our first choice but was unresponsive to our needs and requests. Therefore, we booked the Hilton Garden Inn for Bossier. We will, however, be having several job fairs in the future for the large quantities of new hires. One will be held in November, and we plan to have this job fair in Shreveport. We will visit some of the hotels located in Financial Plaza off of Pines Road. Thank you for understanding and we appreciate all that you do.

Mr. Epperson discussed GE hosting its job fair in Shreveport-Caddo Parish. The Commission discussed hosting job fairs in Shreveport-Caddo Parish, fast start recruitment and how the Parish could help open doors for GE. Mr. Epperson requested the Clerk and the Administration locate the corporate office and government relations liaison for GE.

ADOPT REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

It was **moved by Mr. Young**, seconded by Mr. Jackson, *that Regular Session Minutes June 8, 2023, and Special Session Minutes June 20, 2023, be adopted.* Motion carried.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk read the Special Resolution for Dr. Woodrow “Woody” Wilson Jr. Mr. Johnson requested that the special resolution reflect Dr. Wilson’s name in full honorifics.

It was **moved by Mr. Burrell**, seconded by Mr. Young, *that Special Resolution for Dr. Glenell Lee-Pruitt* be adopted. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Atkins, Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Lazarus, and Young (11). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

COMMUNIQUES AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mrs. Bryant announced the food distribution events and the debris removal programs. Mrs. Bryant explained that due to the volume of debris removal, the Parish Administration has requested proposals to sign a contract for debris removal. Mrs. Bryant advised citizens in the unincorporated areas to move their debris to the end of their driveways or on side of the street.
- Mr. Alan Clarke, MPC Director, acknowledged the Commission and Parish Administration for their support in his family loss.
- Mr. Epperson requested the Administration to retrieve a copy of the Prolec GE letter from Mr. Dixon. Mr. Epperson requested Mrs. Bryant to draft a letter requesting any entity located within the Caddo Parish that relates to economic development and job creation to check with the Commission and that the Commission is present for any problems encountered.
- Mr. Hopkins requested an updated food distribution list that includes a site in North Caddo Parish, which Mrs. Bryant addressed.
- Mr. Jackson announced that the food distribution site at Bilberry Park will not occur and requested that the Administration re-direct citizens to the Galilee location.
- Mr. Epperson announced the Pines Road Area Business Association and the Grace Point Church of the Nazarene’s fan drive located at 6825 Pines Road on July 15th. Mr. Epperson announced that donations be delivered to the Church of the Nazarene and to call 318-510-0166. Mr. Epperson announced special guest Foster Campbell, Public Service Commissioner, on a teleconference call scheduled Thursday, July 13th at 8:00 am regarding the aftereffects of the storm. To dial-in 720-843-2847. Access code: 5517232. Food distribution for the west Shreveport Caddo Parish will be at Greenwood Acres Missionary Baptist Church 7540 Greenwood Road on July 8th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and it would be first come first serve. Mr. Epperson discussed the freedom fest.
- Mr. Jackson called a Juvenile Justice Committee meeting for Thursday, July 13th at noon. Mr. Jackson requested that the Administration be prepared to discuss the double bunking issue at the Juvenile Jail. Mr. Jackson requested the Clerk and the Administration to follow up with the School Board and the City of Shreveport for appointments to the Children Youth and Planning Board. Mrs. Bryant addressed Mr. Jackson’s inquiry to require proof of residency in Caddo Parish.
- Mrs. Bryant addressed Mr. Young’s inquiry about the anticipated number of food distribution kits.
- Answering Mr. Cothran, Mrs. Bryant explained that the Parish receiving State Bond approval needed to begin communications to the citizens regarding the upcoming millage. Mr. Cothran discussed the Freedom Fest.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Burrell announced residents in Queensborough Country Club, Ingleside, Sunset Acres, Werner Park, and Highland Park near LSU areas should attend the food distribution site at Galilee Baptist Church.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ZONING ORDINANCES

The President of the Commission opened the public hearing for the following ordinance:

- *Ordinance No. 6337 of 2023, an ordinance to amend Volume II of the code Of Ordinances of the Parish Of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, by amending the zoning of property located on the west side of Wallace Lake Road, approximately seven hundred- and eighty- feet south of Overton Brooks Road, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-A Rural-Agricultural Zoning District to R-A (PUD) Rural-Agricultural Planned Unit Development Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*

Public comments by John Lorick, Michael Kelsch, and David Alvis in support of Ordinance No. 6337 of 2023. Public comment by Jerome Nicholas in opposition of Ordinance No. 6337 of 2023.

Mr. Alan Clarke provided the MPC's position on the zoning case and addressed zoning law, the appraisal of the property, and the positive impact the development would bring to the area. Mr. Clarke discussed opposition to change and the citizen's request for non-restrictive zoning. Mr. Jackson discussed historical opposition to the UDC. Mr. Clarke addressed the fleet plan for the project.

There being no one else to speak in favor or against this zoning ordinance, the Vice President closed the public hearing on Zoning Ordinance No. 6337 of 2023.

The President of the Commission opened the public hearing for the following ordinance:

- *Ordinance No. 6338 of 2023, an ordinance to amend Volume II of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, by amending the zoning of property located on the west side of Albany Road, approximately three thousand feet north of Old Mooringsport Road, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-A Rural Agricultural Zoning District to C-4 Heavy Commercial Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*

Public comment by Beverly Zaia, Genavee Bowers, Kathy Fuller, Randy Rasmussen, Diane Waldon, and Sara Harville in opposition of Ordinance No. 6338 of 2023.

Due to a fire alarm, the meeting briefly recessed.

Public comment by Candace Allen in support of Ordinance No. 6338 of 2023. Mr. Jackson clarified where Mrs. Allen's residency is.

There being no one else to speak in favor or against this zoning ordinance, the President closed the public hearing on zoning Ordinance No. 6338 of 2023.

The President of the Commission opened the public hearing for the following ordinance:

- *Ordinance No. 6336 of 2023, Ordinance Amending The 2023 Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for The Parks and Recreation and Oil and Gas Funds to Appropriate Funds for Shreveport Green*
- *Ordinance No. 6339 Of 2023, Ordinance Amending The 2023 Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for The Reserve Trust Fund*

There being no one to speak in favor or against these ordinances, the President closed the public hearing on ordinances.

ORDINANCES (for final passage)

It was **moved by Mr. Atkins**, seconded by Mr. Cothran, *that Ordinance No. 6337 of 2023, an ordinance to amend Volume II of the code Of Ordinances of the Parish Of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, by amending the zoning of property located on the west side of Wallace Lake Road, approximately seven hundred- and eighty- feet south of Overton Brooks Road, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-A Rural-Agricultural Zoning District to R-A (PUD) Rural-Agricultural Planned Unit Development Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto* be adopted. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Atkins, Cothran, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Lazarus, and Young (9). NAYS: Commissioners Burrell, and Epperson (2). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

ORDINANCE NO. 6337 OF 2023 BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME II OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE PARISH OF CADDO, AS AMENDED, THE CADDO PARISH UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY AMENDING THE ZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF WALLACE LAKE ROAD, APPROXIMATELY SEVEN HUNDRED- AND EIGHTY- FEET SOUTH OF OVERTON BROOKS ROAD, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM R-A RURAL-AGRICULTURAL ZONING DISTRICT to R-A (PUD) RURAL-AGRICULTURAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ZONING DISTRICT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO BE IT ORDAINED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Volume II of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to wit: The official Zoning Map of the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Area of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be amended by rezoning property located on the West side of Wallace Lake Road, approximately seven hundred- and eighty-feet South of Overton Brooks Road, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, more particularly described below, be and the same is hereby amended from R-A Rural-Agricultural Zoning District to R-A (PUD) Rural-Agricultural Planned Unit Development Zoning District: BEING A DESCRIPTION OF A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA. SAID TRACT BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 19, RUN THENCE SOUTH 00°55'55" WEST A DISTANCE OF 662.92 FEET, THENCE RUN

SOUTH 88°40'30" EAST A DISTANCE OF 1539.48 FEET TO A FOUND 3/4" IRON ROD AT THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, RUN THENCE SOUTH 88°40'30" EAST A DISTANCE OF 764.16 FEET TO A SET "PK" NAIL ON THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF WALLACE LAKE ROAD, THENCE RUN SOUTH 00°49'07" WEST ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY A DISTANCE OF 329.44 FEET TO A FOUND 3/4" IRON ROD, THENCE RUN NORTH 88°43'30" WEST A DISTANCE OF 764.15 FEET TO A FOUND 3/4" IRON ROD, THENCE RUN NORTH 00°49'07" EAST A DISTANCE OF 330.11 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRACT CONTAINING 5.785 ACRES. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the rezoning of the property described herein is approved subject to compliance with the following stipulations: REQUESTED USES & ORDINANCE RELIEF: The applicant requests the following uses in addition to those allowed in the R-A base zoning district: • Contractors Office PROPOSED SITE AMENITIES: • An 8' privacy fence. • Increase the building setback in the front yard by 300'. • Preservation of existing trees. • Enhanced landscaping in the buffer yard, exceeding the proposed site plan. • Parking spaces to the rear of the building to reduce the commercial appearance of a parking lot from Wallace Lake Road. • Incorporate features to enhance the residential character of the front façade with a porch overhang, a decorative gable, increasing the size or number of windows on the front façade, and/or shutters on windows. • Brick façade on front and both sides of the building. • Exterior lighting that is residential in appearance. Pole lighting and spotlights are prohibited. PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN CONSIDERATION: 1. Re-plat to create a legal lot of record will be required prior to obtaining building permits. 2. One shrub, measuring a minimum of 18 inches in height at planting and reaching a minimum of three feet in height at maturity, must be planted for every three linear feet of buffer yard length, spaced linearly. 3. Indicate the material type and height of the dumpster enclosure. It must be stored in the interior side or rear yard. If you are proposing curbside pickup the bin storage must be in an interior side or rear yard and screened from view of the street. 4. Show all entrances to the building. 5. Indicate the height of the gates. 6. Show where work vehicles will be stored. 7. Show the swept path for the largest vehicle transiting the site. 8. Use shading or some other means to distinguish between grass/landscape and hard surface. 9. Indicate/label the hard surface material for the parking area. 10. Indicate or label the curbing height around the parking areas. (6-inch height is required otherwise, wheel stops will be required and need to be shown on the site plan.) 11. Windows must be recessed no less than two inches, or projected out from the façade plane to provide depth and shadow. 12. The ground floor of the front facade must maintain a transparency of 50%, measured between two and 14 feet in height from grade. 13. Development of the subject property shall be in substantial accord with the approved site plan. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance 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 ordinance are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after publication in the official journal. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. Approved as to legal form: Parish Attorney Date 22-37-P
Raley and Associates, Inc.

It was **moved by Mr. Atkins**, seconded by Mr. Cothran, *that Ordinance No. 6338 of 2023, an ordinance to amend Volume II of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, by amending the zoning of property located on the west side of Albany Road, approximately three thousand feet north of Old Mooringsport Road, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-A Rural Agricultural Zoning District to C-4 Heavy Commercial Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto* be adopted. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Atkins, Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Lazarus, and Young (11). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

ORDINANCE NO. 6338 OF 2023 BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME II OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE PARISH OF CADDO, AS AMENDED, THE CADDO PARISH UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY AMENDING THE ZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF ALBANY ROAD, APPROXIMATELY THREE THOUSAND FEET NORTH OF OLD MOORINGSPOUR ROAD, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM R-A RURALAGRICULTURAL ZONING DISTRICT TO C-4 HEAVY COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO BE IT ORDAINED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Volume II of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to wit: The official Zoning Map of the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Area of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be amended by rezoning property located on the West side of Albany Road, approximately three thousand feet North of Old Mooringsport Road, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, more particularly described below, be and the same is hereby amended from R-A Rural-Agricultural Zoning District to C-4 Heavy Commercial Zoning District: 20.08 ACS. M/L - BEGIN AT MOST E'LY COR. OF OAK NORTH SUBD., IN SEC. 30(19-14), BEING ON W'LY R/W LINE OF ALBANY ROAD, RUN ALONG SAID SUBN. N. 89 DEG. 46 MIN. W. 621.14 FT., THENCE CON'T. ALONG SAID SUBN. S. 0 DEG. 14 MIN. W. 306.15 FT., THENCE CON'T ALONG SAID SUBN. N. 89 DEG. 46 MIN. W. 591.89 FT., THENCE ALONG W. LINE OF SAID SUBN. N. 00 DEG. 14 MIN. E. 555.39 FT., THENCE N. 16 DEG. 42 MIN. 34 SEC. W. 261.26 FT., THENCE N. 16 DEG. 42 MIN. 34 SEC. W. 269.25 FT., THENCE N. 16 DEG. 32 MIN. 44 SEC. W. 274.52 FT., THENCE N. 12 DEG. 53 MIN. 30 SEC. W. 281.07 FT., THENCE N. 12 DEG. 39 MIN. 30 SEC. W. 267.9 FT. TO S. LINE OF LOT D, PARTITION SURVEY OF ESTATE OF DAVE MC CRADY IN C. B. 1000-137, THENCE W. ALONG SAME TO E'LY R/W LINE OF I-49 PER C.B. 4055-52, THENCE S. 11 DEG. 55 MIN. 59 SEC. E. 130.38 FT., THENCE S. 04 DEG. 12 MIN. 19 SEC. E. 323.62 FT., THENCE S. 07 DEG. 04 MIN. 04 SEC. E. 3094.13 FT. TO S. LINE OF SEC. 30, THENCE E. ALONG SAME TO SW

COR. OF BETHELEE BAPTIST CHURCH SUBDIVISION, THENCE ALONG W. LINE OF SAID SUBN. RUN N. 00 DEG. 14 MIN. 00 SEC. E. 1083.37 FT. (CALL 1083.65 FT.), THENCE ALONG N. LINE OF SAID SUBN. RUN S. 89 DEG. 47 MIN. 53 SEC. E. 1055.90 FT. (CALL 1056.02 FT.) TO W'LY LINE OF ALBANY ACRES, UNIT 2, THENCE NW'LY ALONG SAME TO SW COR. OF LOT 15 OF SAID SUBN., THENCE N. 89 DEG. 46 MIN. W. 483.9 FT., THENCE N. 00 DEG. 14 MIN. E. 335.49 FT., THENCE S. 89 DEG. 46 MIN. E. 632.16 FT. TO E. LINE OF SAID SEC. 30, THENCE N. TO W'LY LINE OF ALBANY ROAD, THENCE NW'LY ALONG SAME TO POINT OF BEGINNING, 191430-112 BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance 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 ordinance are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after publication in the official journal. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. Approved as to legal form: Parish Attorney Date 23-12-P Clint Allen

It was **moved by Mr. Jackson**, seconded by Mrs. Gage-Watts, *to englobo and adopt the following ordinances*:

- *Ordinance No. 6336 of 2023, Ordinance Amending The 2023 Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for The Parks and Recreation and Oil and Gas Funds to Appropriate Funds for Shreveport Green*
- *Ordinance No. 6339 Of 2023, Ordinance Amending The 2023 Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for The Reserve Trust Fund*

Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Atkins, Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Lazarus, and Young (11). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

ORDINANCE NO. 6336 OF 2023 BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE PARK AND RECREATION FUND AND THE OIL AND GAS FUND TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION FOR SHREVEPORT GREEN AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO WHEREAS, Shreveport Green is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting a healthy, sustainable, and economically vital community through public outreach, community enhancement, and a specific respect for the natural and built environment; and WHEREAS, Shreveport Green's Neighborhood program works to preserve and enhance the livability of inner-city neighborhoods; and WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the 2023 Parks and Recreation and Oil and Gas Funds to provide an appropriation of \$30,000 for Shreveport Green; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the Parks and Recreation Fund and the Oil and Gas Fund for the year 2023 is hereby amended as follows: Budget Increase (Decrease) Parks and Recreation Fund NGO Appropriations Shreveport Green \$30,000 Transfer from Oil and Gas \$30,000 Oil and Gas Fund Transfer to Parks and Recreation \$30,000 BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance 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 ordinance are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. Approved as to legal form:
Parish Attorney
Date

ORDINANCE NO. 6339 OF 2023 BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR RESERVE TRUST FUND TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION TO NORTHWEST LOUISIANA FOOD BANK AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO WHEREAS, the Northwest Louisiana Food Bank goal is to end hunger in our area; and WHEREAS, due to the June 16th weather event the citizens of Caddo Parish are in-need of a food distribution; and WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission would like to distribute food throughout the community; and WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission would like the Food Bank to organize this event; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the Reserve Trust Fund for the year 2023 is hereby amended as follows: Budget Increase (Decrease) Reserve Trust Fund Allocation to Other Entities NGO Appropriations Food Bank \$250,000 Fund Balance (\$250,000) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance 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 ordinance are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. Approved as to legal form:
Parish Attorney
Date

ORDINANCES (for introduction by title)

- *Ordinance No. 6342 of 2023, An Ordinance to Establish and Merge Precincts Consistent with the 2023 Caddo Parish Commission Districts in Accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:532 And 18:532.1, To Amend Certain Precinct Legal Descriptions*
- *Ordinance No. 6343 of 2023, An Ordinance Amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for Public Works Fund to Provide Debris Removal After the June 16 Storm and To Otherwise Provide with Respect Thereto*
- *Ordinance 6344 Of 2023, An Ordinance Amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for Reserve Trust Fund to Provide Public Assistance to Caddo Citizens as A Result of The June 16 Storm and To Otherwise Provide with Respect Thereto*

WORK SESSION MINUTES

It was **moved by Mr. Jackson**, seconded by Mrs. Gage-Watts, *that Work Session Minutes from June 29, 2023, be ratified. Motion carried.*

RESOLUTIONS

It was **moved by Mr. Johnson**, seconded by Mrs. Gage-Watts, *that Resolution No. 34 of 2023, A Resolution to Authorize the Parish Administrator to Seek Proposals for A 6 Month Pilot Project Test Run of An Automated Traffic Enforcement System to Be Operated on Roads in The Unincorporated Areas of The Parish, And to Otherwise Provide with Respect Thereto* be adopted.

At Mr. Epperson's request, the Clerk read the Resolution into the record. Mr. Epperson discussed reckless speed and driving on Woolworth Road. Mr. Cothran discussed statistics of auto incidents in 2022. Mr. Johnson discussed the pilot program. Mr. Jones discussed educating the public about the pilot program. Mr. Young and Mrs. Bryant discussed the approval of the fee schedule. Mr. Jackson and Mrs. Bryant discussed the timeline of the RFP process of the pilot program.

Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, (7). NAYS: Atkins, Hopkins, Lazarus, and Young (4). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

RESOLUTION NO. 34 OF 2023 BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION: A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH ADMINISTRATOR TO SEEK PROPOSALS FOR A 6 MONTH PILOT PROJECT TEST RUN OF AN AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM TO BE OPERATED ON ROADS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE PARISH, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO. WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo recognizes the problem of excessive speed on Parish roads; and WHEREAS, traffic camera systems have been shown to be useful in mitigating the problem of excessive speed/ NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby authorize the Parish Administrator and Chief Executive Officer to issue a request for proposals for a traffic camera system to be installed in the unincorporated areas of Caddo Parish. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Caddo Parish Administrator or his designee shall be authorized to do any and all things necessary to implement the purpose set forth herein. 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. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

NEW BUSINESS

- Appeal of the Parish Planning & Zoning Commission Related to Case #23-5-BAP

It was **moved by Mr. Johnson**, seconded by Mr. Jackson, *to uphold the decision of the Parish Planning & Zoning Commission.*

Mr. Alan Clarke discussed the requirements of an accessory structure and lack of compliance of the applicant. Mr. Pratt, the appellant, discussed wanting to make things right. Mr. Clark and Mr. Johnson discussed the process for the appellant to become compliant. Mr. Jones discussed the process of upholding the Parish Planning & Zoning Commission decision. Mr. Johnson clarified a variance. Attorney Frazier addressed Mr. Young's inquiry about remanding the case to the Parish Planning & Zoning Commission.

Call for the Question by Mr. Cothran, seconded by Mr. Epperson. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Atkins, Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Johnson, Jones, Lazarus, and Young (10). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez, and Jackson (2). ABSTAIN: None (0).

Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Atkins,

Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Johnson, Jones, Lazarus, and Young (10). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez, and Jackson (2). ABSTAIN: None (0).

It was **moved by Mr. Johnson**, seconded by Mrs. Gage-Watts, *that Reallocate Up To \$75,000 In ARPA Funds from TruFund to the Shreveport Police Department to Provide Additional Resources Related to The Recent Mass Shooting Incident on July 4th* be adopted. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Atkins, Burrell, Cothran, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Johnson, Jones, and Young (10). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Chavez, Jackson, and Lazarus (3). ABSTAIN: None (0).

COMMUNIQUES AND REPORTS

- Mr. Epperson requested Mrs. Bryant retrieve a copy of the letter from Prolec GE. Mrs. Bryant advised that the Administration would work with Prolec GE to ensure citizens are aware of the job fair. Mrs. Bryant announced the new Shreveport Advocate newspaper will start its run July 10th.

There was no further discussion to come before the Commission, so the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.



Linda J. Montgomery
Administrative Specialist I

Roy Burrell
President