

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CADDO PARISH COMMISSION'S
SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 6TH DAY OF APRIL, 2026

The Caddo Parish Special Projects Committee met in legal session on the above date at 12:00 p.m., in the Government Plaza Chambers, with the following members present constituting a quorum: Commissioners Epperson, Jones, Lazarus, G. Young (4). ABSENT: Thomas (1).

Commissioner Gregory Young gave the invocation and Commissioner Epperson led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no Agenda Additions, so the Committee moved onto Public Comments.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Jon Glover came before the Commission and gave the following comment:

Jon Glover, 9100 Walker Road, Apartment 217, Shreveport, Louisiana 71118. Looking over your agenda for this Special Projects meeting, I did not see an attachment whereby I would know what we were going to be addressing which would allow me to have good, sound conversations with you all. So, I'm going to ask that in the future, when such meetings are done, that you can be provided some kind of semblance of information whereby we know what we're going to meet when we come into these settings. If there are questions, we can definitely reach out to those authors or the chair of this Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

- *Opening Comments: This committee shall be referred legislation relating to the following subjects: matters related to issues not covered in the other standing committees, including but not limited to long range planning, elections, census, facilities and space utilization, etc.*

Commission Clerk Jeff Everson read the definition of the Committee as it reads in the bylaws.

- *Discuss and potentially make Recommendations related to a proposed Intersection Improvement pilot project- with Commissioner Grace Anne Blake*

Commissioner Steffon Jones gave the floor to Commissioner Grace Anne Blake. Mrs. Blake said that she invited Chris Lyon and Thomas Moran to speak about their work in community beautification in Caddo Parish. Mr. Lyon explained that he is part of the organization Reform Shreveport and that Mr. Thomas founded the organization Shreveport Forward. Mr. Moran explained that he is a professor at Centenary College. He conducts a lecture series which is open to the public once a month which covers urban design and planning, as well as other concepts regarding neighborhood beautification and safety. He explained that their organization works to strengthen the relationships between residents, businesses, and the government. Their approach has been to try to link neighborhoods together. One of their focuses has been to try to make a more pedestrian-friendly environment. Mr. Thomas explained that they have focused on small projects and avoided large operations so as to get neighborhoods back on their feet.

At this time, the livestream malfunctioned.


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