

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF THIBODAUX  
CITY HALL  
THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA  
MARCH 7, 2023**

The City Council of the City of Thibodaux assembled in regular session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, 310 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana, on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.

There were present: Councilwoman Crochet, Councilmen Taylor, Naquin and Mire.

There were also present: Mayor Kevin Clement and Beau Brooks.

Absent: Councilman Richard.

The minutes of the September February 23, 2023 City Council Meeting were approved as written.

A Retired Teachers Day Proclamation was presented to Lafourche Parish Officers by the Mayor.

The Project Engineer, T. Baker Smith, notified the City that the Municipal Airport Terminal Area Parking Rehabilitation Project is substantially complete in accordance with all contract documents and specifications. Construction was completed by Byron E. Talbot Contractors. It is necessary for the Council to consider the adoption of a resolution of substantial completion which will commence the 45 day lien period on this contract.

On motion of Councilman Naquin, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the Council voted on a resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Municipal Airport Terminal Area Parking Rehabilitation Project. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS:** Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINED:** None

**ABSENT:** Richard

***RESOLUTION NO. 2461***

***BE IT RESOLVED*** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

***WHEREAS***, the City of Thibodaux entered into a contract with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc. dated November 7, 2022 for the Terminal Area Parking Rehabilitation Thibodaux Municipal Airport (L83) Project; and

***WHEREAS***, the work under the aforementioned contract was substantially complete in accordance with the plans and specifications by the contractor on February 6, 2023; and

***WHEREAS***, a final inspection was conducted by representatives of the City and the Project Engineer; and

***WHEREAS***, all work was found to be satisfactory for acceptance with respect to the application for payment by the contractor less and except any items included on a punch list.

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** by the City Council of the City of

Thibodaux in regular session on March 7, 2023 that the work under the aforementioned project be and is hereby accepted as substantially complete on the date hereinbefore specified.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that the Council Administrator is hereby authorized to file with the Clerk of Court of the Parish of Lafourche, a certified copy of this resolution and the Certificate of Substantial Completion in order to commence the 45-day lien period.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to T. Baker Smith, PO Box 2266, Houma, LA 70361, and to Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc., PO Box 5658, Thibodaux, LA 70302.

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

YEAS: Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Richard

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/ Chad J. Mire  
Chad J. Mire, President

The Project Engineer, T. Baker Smith, notified the City that the North Wastewater Treatment Plant-Phase IIIA North 9th Street Sewer Force Main Project is substantially complete in accordance with all contract documents and specifications. Construction was completed by Byron E. Talbot Contractors. It is necessary for the Council to consider the adoption of a resolution of substantial completion which will commence the 45 day lien period on this contract.

On motion of Councilwoman Crochet, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the Council voted on a resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the North Wastewater Treatment Plant-Phase IIIA North 9th St. Sewer Force Main Project. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Richard

*RESOLUTION NO. 2462*

*BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

*WHEREAS*, the City of Thibodaux entered into a contract with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc. dated February 23, 2022 for the North Wastewater Treatment Plant-Phase IIIA North 9<sup>th</sup> Street Sewer Force Main Project; and

*WHEREAS*, the work under the aforementioned contract was substantially complete in accordance with the plans and specifications by the contractor on February 14, 2023; and

*WHEREAS*, a final inspection was conducted by representatives of the City and the Project Engineer; and

*WHEREAS*, all work was found to be satisfactory for acceptance with respect to the application for payment by the contractor less and except any items included on a punch list.

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session on March 7, 2023 that the work under the aforementioned project be and is hereby accepted as substantially complete on the date hereinbefore specified.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that the Council Administrator is hereby authorized to file with the Clerk of Court of the Parish of Lafourche, a certified copy of this resolution and the Certificate of Substantial Completion in order to commence the 45-day lien period.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to T. Baker Smith, PO Box 2266, Houma, LA 70361, and to Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc., PO Box 5658, Thibodaux, LA 70302.

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

**YEAS:** Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAINED:** None  
**ABSENT:** Richard

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/ Chad J. Mire  
Chad J. Mire, President

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 9, Article II, Section 9-8 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances, it is the duty of the City Council to make the appointments to the Thibodaux Volunteer Fire Department's Fire Board.

On motion of Councilman Naquin, seconded by Councilwoman Crochet, the Council voted on a resolution to approve the appointment of the 2023 TVFD Fire Board. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS:** Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAINED:** None  
**ABSENT:** Richard

**RESOLUTION NO. 2463**

***BE IT RESOLVED*** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

***WHEREAS***, the Thibodaux Fire Board is comprised of two members from each company in the Thibodaux Volunteer Fire Department along with a Chief, Asst. Fire Chiefs, Secretary and Treasurer; and

***WHEREAS***, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9-8 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances the members of the said board must be appointed by the City Council.

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** that the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in accordance with the provisions of Section 9-8 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances does hereby appoint the following members to the Thibodaux Fire Board for the year 2023:

**Fire Chief – Tony Boudreaux  
Asst. Chief – Todd Albert  
Asst. Chief – Glynn Comeaux  
Asst. Chief – Brian Tauzin**

Secretary – Donald Barrilleaux  
Treasurer – Ed Comeaux

Thibodaux Fire Company No. 1 – Josh R. Bourgeois & Ron Bourgeois  
Protector Fire Company No. 2 – Shane Guin & Michael Palmer  
Home Hook & Ladder Fire Co – Chris Grabert & Steven Grabert  
VCH Fire Co – Rodney Gauthreaux & Michael Delaune (Vice-President)  
North Thibodaux Fire Company – Josh Bourgeois & Rodney Tabor  
South Thibodaux Fire Company – Jerome Benoit & Casey Levron  
West Thibodaux Fire Company – Ty Landry & Michael Hebert  
Bowie Fire Company – Jimmy Ledet (President) & Jared Kees

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

YEAS: Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Richard

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/ Chad J. Mire  
Chad J. Mire, President

Councilman Naquin introduced an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Thibodaux Main Street, Inc. The Public Hearing on this ordinance will be held at the Council meeting on March 21, 2023.

The City would like to continue to participate with the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office in the operation of a Children's Advocacy Center to be utilized by the Thibodaux Police Department for investigative services for victims of child abuse or neglect.

The proposed agreement is for the year 2023, and stipulates that the Sheriff's Office will hire the personnel necessary to operate the Children's Advocacy Center, and the City will provide \$10,000.00 to offset the costs incurred by the Sheriff for this service. In order to cooperate with the Sheriff's Office for the Children's Advocacy Center, it is necessary to execute an Interagency Agreement stipulating the responsibilities of all parties involved.

On motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Naquin, the Council voted on an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Thibodaux Main Street, Inc. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Richard

**ORDINANCE NO. 3265**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE LAFOURCHE PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER**

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

**WHEREAS, the City has an obligation to provide protection and investigative services for the child victim of abuse or neglect; and**

**WHEREAS, in order to lessen the duplication of services the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office will provide funding to hire the personnel necessary to operate a Children's Advocacy Center to be utilized by the Thibodaux Police Department; and**

**WHEREAS, the City will provide funding an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for the year 2023 to offset the costs incurred by the Sheriff's Office; and**

**WHEREAS, in order for the City to provide the said funding, it is necessary to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement outlining the benefits to be received by the City of Thibodaux in exchange for the said funding; and**

**WHEREAS, in order for the City to execute this proposed agreement it is necessary for the Council to authorize the Mayor to do so by the adoption of an ordinance.**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office for the purposes, and under the conditions mentioned hereinabove.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that a copy of the said agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS: Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSTAINED: None**  
**ABSENT: Richard**

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

**/s/ Jennifer Morvant**  
**Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.**

**/s/ Chad J. Mire**  
**Chad J. Mire, President**

The Mayor updated the Council on projects going on throughout the City as well as future business that he plans to bring before the Council.

Lenny Ford, Parks Director, addressed the Council relative to his department and projects going on now and throughout the summer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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**Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.**

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**Chad Mire, President**