

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF THIBODAUX  
CITY HALL  
THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA  
DECEMBER 2, 2025**

The City Council of the City of Thibodaux assembled in special session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, 310 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana, on Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at 5:45 P.M.

There were present: Councilmen Bimah, Taylor, Naquin, and Mire.

There were also present: Mayor Kevin Clement and Finance Director Jessica Hebert.

Absent: Councilwoman Crochet

John Toups, 207 Rienzi Drive, questioned the \$500,000 budgeted for professional fees for drainage studies for Phase I and Phase II in Rienzi Drive, and stated his opposition of starting anything for phase II until phase I construction has been completed. He also questioned if the council or mayor had budgeted salary increases for themselves. The process of increasing salaries for the elected officials was explained to him.

Ben Harang, 515 Blake Court, thanked Councilman Mire for his previous comments concerning the Canal Blvd. Bridge Replacement Project. He also stated that he would like to see some money in the 2026 budget to start the drainage study on the east side including Cardinal Drive and E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

Councilwoman Monique Crochet, District “A”, who was absent, had notified the Council that all of her questions were answered.

Councilman Lester Bimah, District “B”, stated that all of his questions were answered by the Mayor, and he did not have any amendments to the budget.

Councilman Varick Taylor, District “C”, stated that he spoke to the Mayor and had his questions answered. He feels that we had a good year in 2025, and that the 2026 budget continues with his plans.

Councilman Mike Naquin, District “D”, discussed several items with the Mayor in reference to the budget before the meeting in which many questions were answered. He feels it’s better to add funds later during the year if needed than to over budget at the beginning of the year. He stated that the city has maintained a fund balance that will allow us to make increases only if needed. He had no amendments to make at this time.

Councilman Chad Mire, District “E”, stated that he feels that the Mayor presented a very good budget, and that all of his requests from the pre-budget meeting were included in the 2026 budget. He has no amendments to offer at this time, but he would like to see us proceed with the drainage evaluations on the East side by Cardinal and E 7<sup>th</sup> Street as soon as we can.

On motion of Councilman Naquin, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the Council voted to adopt the Appropriation Ordinance for the Year 2026. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 3421**

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE YEAR 2026**

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

**WHEREAS**, Section 1B of Article VI of the Thibodaux City Charter reads in part as follows:

**"Part III shall contain the proposed complete drafts of the appropriation ordinance, the tax levying ordinance and any other ordinance required to adopt the budget."**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** that in accordance with Section 1 of Article VI of the Thibodaux City Charter, the 2026 Budget shall contain appropriations of the expenditures listed on Exhibit "A" (Budget Document) which is attached to this ordinance and made a part hereof.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the adoption of the foregoing appropriations include the 4.680 Mill General Alimony tax which is authorized to be levied under the law and also includes the 2.550 Mill Street Maintenance tax, the 1.710 Mill Fire Department Maintenance tax and the 4.660 Mill Fire Department Special Maintenance Tax.

**The Assessment Rolls show the taxable assessment of the corporation of the City of Thibodaux for the year of 2025 to be \$154,575,760.00.**

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

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

**And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 2nd day of December 2025.**

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

**Chad J. Mire**  
**Chad J. Mire, President**

**There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.**

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**Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.**

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**Chad J. Mire, President**