

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2008  
MATHEWS, LOUISIANA

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
PARISH LAFOURCHE

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL, PARISH OF LAFOURCHE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, WAS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2008 AT 5:00 P.M., TO BE HELD AT THE OLD WAL-MART BUILDING, 4876 HIGHWAY 1, MATHEWS, LOUISIANA.

The Lafourche Parish Council was duly convened as the Governing Authority of said Parish by Mr. Michael Delatte, Chairman, who then stated that the Lafourche Parish Council was ready for the transaction of business at 5:06 p.m.

Proceedings of the meeting were called to order with the following:

**PRESENT:** Mr. Jerry Jones, Vice-Chair  
Mr. Michael Delatte, Chairman  
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Fertitta  
Mr. Matt Matherne  
Mr. Lindel Toups  
Mr. Phillip Gouaux  
Mr. Rodney Doucet  
Ms. Charlotte Randolph, Parish President

**ABSENT:** Mr. Louis Richard  
Mr. Daniel Lorraine

Chairman Delatte announced that the invocation would be led by Mr. Rodney Doucet. The Council then recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Joe Fertitta.

A **motion** was offered by Mr. Toups, seconded by Mr. Gouaux, to *open the Budget Public Hearing*, and **carried** by a vote of (7) yeas, (0) nays, and (2) absent, that being of Mr. Richard and Mr. Lorraine.

### FIRST BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

The first item (1) on the agenda was a **Public Hearing for public comments on the proposed 2009 Operations and Capital Budgets for the Lafourche Parish Council.** Chairman Delatte asked three times if anyone from the public wished to comment; hearing none, Chairman Delatte moved on to the next item.

A **motion** was then offered by Mr. Gouaux, seconded by Mr. Toups, to *close the Budget Public Hearing*, and **carried** by a vote of (7) yeas, (0) nays, and (2) absent, that being of Mr. Richard and Mr. Lorraine.

## REVIEW

### 2009 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET AND CAPITAL BUDGET

The next item on the agenda was a review of the 2009 Operations and Maintenance Budget and the Capital Budget for the Lafourche Parish Council, which was as follows. Chairman Delatte asked if anyone from the Council had any questions regarding the following items, when hearing none he would go on to the next fund item. The Councilmen asked for clarifications, explanations, and for further information on several of the funds; in which Administration answered them to the best of their knowledge and in detail, or if they did not readily have an answer they stated that they would soon get that information to them. President Randolph made a point of reference to the Council, stating that there was a lot of costs that they do not see on an annual basis, further explaining and then giving examples of such.

1.) **Fund 001 - General Fund** - City Court, District Court, District Attorney, Clerk of Court, Court Reporter, Elections, Registrar of Voters, JPS/Constables, Community Services, Legislative, Finance, Executive, Purchasing, Risk Management, Human Resources, Civil Service, Information Technology, Planning/Zoning, 911, Corrections, Parish Coroner, Public Works, Coastal, Energy & Environmental, Economic Development, and County Agent.

A **motion** was offered by Mr. Gouaux, seconded by Mr. Jones, to propose item (c), being: **AMENDMENT 2009-3-DELATTE-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET: FUND 001 - GENERAL FUND ~ Decrease General Fund Balance (001) by \$8,000.00.**

<b>Amendment 3</b> <i>2009 Operations and Maintenance Budget</i>		<b>Amendment 3</b> <i>2009 Capital Budget</i>	
Decrease General Fund Balance (001)	\$8,000	JUSTIFICATION: Minute Clerk overtime to attend LPC Meetings and Five Star Committee Meetings.	
Increase Salaries Overtime (Legislative Department)	\$3,000	ESTIMATED COSTS: <span style="float: right;">\$8,000</span>	
Increase Salaries Overtime (Legislative Department) (Five Star Committee)	\$5,000	METHOD OF FINANCING: <span style="float: right;">General Fund</span>	
		ESTIMATED TIME SCHEDULE: <span style="float: right;">December, 2009</span>	
		ANNUAL MAINTENANCE/OPERATION COSTS: Overtime for Minute Clerk, Publication Costs, Supplies	

After reading said amendment, it **carried** by a vote of (7) yeas, (0) nays, and (2) absent, that being of Mr. Richard and Mr. Lorraine.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Toups, *to recess for five minutes*, seconded by Mr. Matherne, and **carried** by a vote of (7) yeas, (0) nays, and (2) absent, that being of Mr. Richard and Mr. Lorraine.

A **motion** was then made by Mr. Toups, *to return from the recess*, seconded by Mr. Matherne, and **carried** by a vote of (7) yeas, (0) nays, and (2) absent, that being of Mr. Richard and Mr. Lorraine.

2.) **Fund 106 - Road Sales Tax District No. 2**

3.) **Fund 111 - Road Sales Tax District No. 3**

4.) **Fund 112 - Criminal Jury Fund**

5.) **Fund 113 - Criminal Court Fund**

- 6.) **Fund 114 - Special District No. 1**
- 7.) **Fund 115 - Off Duty Witness Fund**
- 8.) **Fund 116 - Road Sales Tax District No. 5**
- 9.) **Fund 117 - Road Sales Tax District No. 6**
- 10.) **Fund 121 - Drug Court**
- 11.) **Fund 124 - IV-D**
- 12.) **Fund 130 - Head Start**
- 13.) **Fund 131 - CACFP-Head Start**
- 14.) **Fund 141 - CACFP Program**
- 15.) **Fund 142 - OCA General Fund**
- 16.) **Fund 143 - Weatherization**
- 17.) **Fund 144 - LIHEAP**
- 18.) **Fund 150 - CSBG**
- 19.) **Fund 154 - TANF**
- 20.) **Fund 160 - Road Sales Tax District A**

A **motion** was offered by Mr. Matherne, seconded by Mr. Fertitta, to propose item (e), being: **AMENDMENT 2009-5-MATHERNE-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS: FUND 160 - ROAD SALES TAX DISTRICT A ~ Decrease Fund Balance of Road Sales Tax District A No. 160 by \$140,000.00.**

<u>Amendment 5</u> <u>2009 Operations and Maintenance Budget</u>	<u>Amendment 5</u> <u>2009 Capital Budget</u>
Decrease Road Sales Tax District A (160) Fund Balance \$140,000	JUSTIFICATION: Installation of a 48" pump for drainage improvements for Lake Long Drive.
Increase Transfer Out Capital Project (206) \$140,000	
<u>2009 Capital Budget</u>	ESTIMATED COSTS: \$140,000
Increase Transfer In Road Sales Tax District A (160) (Construction) \$140,000	METHOD OF FINANCING: Road Sales Tax District A Fund Balance
Increase Capital Outlay (206) (Construction) \$140,000	ESTIMATED TIME SCHEDULE: September, 2009
	ANNUAL MAINTENANCE/OPERATION COSTS: To be absorbed by drainage with routine maintenance to pump

After reading said amendment and a brief discussion and explanation, it **carried** by a vote of (7) yeas, (0) nays, and (2) absent, that being of Mr. Richard and Mr. Lorraine.

A **motion** was offered by Mr. Fertitta, seconded by Mr. Jones, to propose item (a), being: **AMENDMENT 2009-1-FERTITTA-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS: FUND 160 - ROAD SALES TAX DISTRICT A ~ Decrease Fund Balance of Road Sales Tax District A No. 160 by \$40,000.00.**

<u>Amendment 1</u> <u>2009 Operations and Maintenance Budget</u>		<u>Amendment 1</u> <u>2009 Capital Budget</u>	
Decrease Road Sales Tax District A (160) Fund Balance	\$40,000	JUSTIFICATION: Hire an engineering firm to determine the feasibility and preliminary design for a proposed connector road from Hwy. 20 to Laurel Valley Road.	
Increase Transfer Out Capital Projects (206)	\$40,000		
<u>2009 Capital Budget</u>		ESTIMATED COSTS:	\$40,000
Increase Transfer In Road Sales Tax District A (160)	\$40,000	METHOD OF FINANCING:	Road Sales Tax District A Fund Balance
Increase Capital Outlay (206)	\$40,000	ESTIMATED TIME SCHEDULE:	March, 2009
		ANNUAL MAINTENANCE/OPERATION COSTS:	-0-

After reading said amendment and a brief discussion and explanation, it **carried** by a vote of (7) yeas, (0) nays, and (2) absent, that being of Mr. Richard and Mr. Lorraine.

A **motion** was offered by Mr. Fertitta, seconded by Mr. Jones, to propose item (b), being: **AMENDMENT 2009-2-FERTITTA-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS: FUND 160 - ROAD SALES TAX DISTRICT A ~ Decrease Fund Balance of Road Sales Tax District A Fund 160 by \$25,000.00.**

<u>Amendment 2</u> <u>2009 Operations and Maintenance Budget</u>		<u>Amendment 2</u> <u>2009 Capital Budget</u>	
Decrease Road Sales Tax District A (160) Fund Balance	\$25,000	JUSTIFICATION: Drainage Improvements	
Increase Transfer Out Capital Project (206)	\$25,000		
<u>2009 Capital Budget</u>		ESTIMATED COSTS:	\$25,000
Increase Transfer In Road Sales Tax District A (160)	\$25,000	METHOD OF FINANCING:	Road Sales Tax District A Fund Balance
Increase Capital Outlay (206)	\$25,000	ESTIMATED TIME SCHEDULE:	December, 2009
		ANNUAL MAINTENANCE/OPERATION COSTS:	To be absorbed by drainage

After reading said amendment and a brief discussion and explanation, it **carried** by a vote of (6) yeas, (0) nays, and (3) absent, that being of Mr. Richard, Mr. Doucet, and Mr. Lorraine.

**21.) Fund 161 - Road Sales Tax District No. 2 (New) (1/2%)**

A **motion** was made by Mr. Fertitta, *to recess for five minutes*, seconded by Mr. Jones, and **carried** by a vote of (6) yeas, (0) nays, and (3) absent, that being of Mr. Richard, Mr. Doucet, and Mr. Lorraine.

A **motion** was then made by Mr. Doucet, *to return from the recess*, seconded by Mr. Matherne, and **carried** by a vote of (7) yeas, (0) nays, and (2) absent, that being of Mr. Richard and Mr. Lorraine.

**22.) Fund 181 - Coastal Zone Management**

**23.) Fund 183 - Christmas Tree Program**

- 24.) **Fund 184 - CIAP Program**
- 25.) **Fund 185 - Beachfront Development**
- 26.) **Fund 195 - Morristown Sewerage District**
- 27.) **Fund 196 - FEMA Acquisition /Elevation**
- 28.) **Fund 201 - Road Sales Tax District No. 2 (Construction)**
- 29.) **Fund 206 - Road Sales Tax District No. 3, 5, 6 (Construction)**
- 30.) **Fund 299 - Capital Projects Fund**
- 31.) **Fund 301 - 1994 New Certificate of Indebtedness**
- 32.) **Fund 302 - Sinking Fund - Building and Road Sales Tax, Districts 3, 5, 6 (Old)**
- 33.) **Fund 303 - Sinking Fund -RSTD No. 3**
- 34.) **Fund 304 - Reserve-Road Sales Tax District No. 3**
- 35.) **Fund 305 - Sinking Fund-RSTD No. 5**
- 36.) **Fund 307 - Sinking Fund-RSTD No. 6**
- 37.) **Fund 309 - Reserve-Road Sales Tax District No. 3**
- 38.) **Fund 310 - Sinking Fund-Series 2001**
- 39.) **Fund 311 - Sinking Fund-Series 2003**
- 40.) **Fund 313 - Reserve-Road Sales Tax District No. 3, 5, 6 (2005 Bonds)**
- 41.) **Fund 314 - Sinking Fund-Road Sales Tax District No. 3, 5, 6 (2005 Bonds)**
- 42.) **Fund 315 - Debt Service 2000/2001**
- 43.) **Fund 317 - Sinking Fund-RSTD A**
- 44.) **Fund 501 - Marydale Sewerage**
- 45.) **Fund 502 - Brocatto Sewerage**
- 46.) **Fund 503 - Dugas Sewerage**
- 47.) **Fund 504 - Rita Sewerage**
- 48.) **Fund 505 - Morristown Sewerage District**

49.) **Fund 601 - Internal Service Fund - Workers' Comp.**

**2009 BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

The next item (2) on the agenda was amendments to the 2009 Operations and Capital Budgets as follows: *These amendments were discussed under their respective Funds.*

a.) **AMENDMENT 2009-1-FERTITTA-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS:** FUND 160 - ROAD SALES TAX DISTRICT A ~ Decrease Fund Balance of Road Sales Tax District A No. 160 by \$40,000.00. *This item was previously discussed, during item 20.*

b.) **AMENDMENT 2009-2-FERTITTA-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS:** FUND 160 - ROAD SALES TAX DISTRICT A ~ Decrease Fund Balance of Road Sales Tax District A Fund 160 by \$25,000.00. *This item was previously discussed, during item 20.*

c.) **AMENDMENT 2009-3-DELATTE-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET:** FUND 001 - GENERAL FUND ~ Decrease General Fund Balance (001) by \$8,000.00. *This item was previously discussed, during item 1.*

d.) **AMENDMENT 2009-4-MATHERNE-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS:** FUND 160 - ROAD SALES TAX DISTRICT A ~ Decrease Fund Balance of Road Sales Tax District A No. 160 by \$100,000.00. *This item was pulled by Mr. Matherne.*

e.) **AMENDMENT 2009-5-MATHERNE-OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS:** FUND 160 - ROAD SALES TAX DISTRICT A ~ Decrease Fund Balance of Road Sales Tax District A No. 160 by \$140,000.00. *This item was previously discussed, during item 20.*

**QUESTIONS/DISCUSSION REGARDING THE 2009 BUDGET**

*Hearing no questions or discussions, Chairman Delatte moved to the next item.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

On **motion** by Mr. Toups and seconded by Mr. Gouaux, and with no further business, the Lafourche Parish Council Special Meeting of **November 10, 2008 adjourned 6:45 p.m.**

MICHAEL F. DELATTE, CHAIRMAN  
LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL

CARLEEN B. BABIN, COUNCIL CLERK  
LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL