

On motion by Daniel Lorraine, and seconded by Rodney Doucet, the following resolution was introduced and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 09-120

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR TO AUDIT ROAD SALES TAX DISTRICT #2 (RSTD #2) FUNDS OF THE LAFOURCHE PARISH GOVERNMENT FOR THE YEARS 2004 TO PRESENT AND WHEN THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR LOOKS INTO THIS PARTICULAR ROAD FUND, THAT HE ALSO LOOKS INTO THE FACT THAT MONEY/FUNDS FROM THIS DISTRICT WERE ALSO SPENT ON AND ALONG STATE HIGHWAYS/SERVITUDES.

WHEREAS, on three different occasions the Administration has attempted to use Road Sales Tax #2 monies for projects outside of Road Sales Tax District #2; and

WHEREAS, the 1st attempt to use Road Sales Tax District #2 monies was to fund the repairs of bridges (more specifically the Cote Blanche Bridge) from the 1 cent tax call (10 years from 1997-2007), in which the District Attorney rendered an opinion on (see *Attachment #1*, which includes the Tax Call and the District Attorney's Opinion); and

WHEREAS, the 2nd attempt to use Road Sales Tax District #2 monies was to fund a portion of the LA 1 Highway construction project from Golden Meadow to Leeville (LA 1 Coalition) from the ½ cent tax call (20 years from 2008-2028), in which the District Attorney rendered an opinion on (see *Attachment #2*, which includes the Tax Call and the District Attorney's Opinion); and

WHEREAS, the 3rd attempt to use Road Sales Tax District #2 monies was to fund road projects (more specifically Mar Drive, Hyland Drive and Romy Drive) which are outside of the tax district (District #2), in which I notified the Administration of this; (see *Attachment 3a*, which is the original list of road projects which includes Mar, Hyland and Romy Drive in which the letter was sent out on February 25, 2009) and (see *Attachment 3b*, which is the corrected copy showing Mar, Hyland and Romy Drive being lined out of road projects in which the corrected letter was sent out on March 25, 2009).

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lafourche Parish Council convened in regular session on April 14, 2009, that it does hereby request the State Legislative Auditor to audit Road Sales Tax District #2 (RSTD #2) Funds of the Lafourche Parish Government for the years 2004 to present and when the Legislative Auditor looks into this particular road fund, that he also looks into the fact that money/funds from this District were also spent on and along State Highways/Servitudes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the State Legislative Auditor; Finance Department of the Lafourche Parish Government; and the Office of the Parish Administrator.

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

YEAS: Mr. Jerry Jones
Mr. Michael Delatte
Mr. Louis Richard
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Fertitta
Mr. Matt Matherne
Mr. Lindel Toups
Mr. Phillip Gouaux
Mr. Rodney Doucet
Mr. Daniel Lorraine

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

And the resolution was declared adopted this 14th day of April, 2009.

**JERRY JONES, CHAIRMAN
LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL**

**CARLEEN B. BABIN, COUNCIL CLERK
LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL**

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I, CARLEEN B. BABIN, Council Clerk for the Lafourche Parish Council, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 09-120, adopted by the Assembled Council in Regular Session on April 14, 2009, at which meeting a quorum was present.

GIVEN UNDER MY OFFICIAL SIGNATURE AND SEAL OF OFFICE THIS 29TH, DAY OF APRIL, 2009.

**CARLEEN B. BABIN, COUNCIL CLERK
LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL**