

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND THE NEW IBERIA CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF NEW IBERIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025 AT 5:30 PM**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, met in public session at City Hall, 457 East Main Street, New Iberia, Louisiana, on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at Five Thirty (5:30) p.m., (Central Standard Time). Present were the Mayor, Freddie DeCourt, as well as the following members of the New Iberia City Council, Brooke Marcotte, Warren White, Troy Comeaux, Ricky Gonsoulin, David Merrill, Ron Davis, and Dan Doerle. Also in attendance, Jeff Simon, City Attorney and Lanie Kerlegon, City Clerk.

The City Council for the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the governing authority for the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, by the Honorable Mayor, who then stated that the Governing Authority was ready for the transaction of business. Brooke Marcotte led the prayer and pledge.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON):

None.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

- a. Regular meeting of December 17, 2024, which will be published on January 8, 2025.

Motion by Ricky Gonsoulin, seconded by Brooke Marcotte

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Warren White, Troy Comeaux, Ricky Gonsoulin,
David Merrill, Ron Davis, and Dan Doerle**
NAYS: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Motion adopted.

- b. Special meeting of December 30, 2024, which will be published on January 8, 2025.

Motion by Brooke Marcotte, seconded by Ricky Gonsoulin

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Warren White, Troy Comeaux, Ricky Gonsoulin,
David Merrill, Ron Davis, and Dan Doerle**
NAYS: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Motion adopted.

3. ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

- a. **Special Ordinance No. 2024-2025-05:** An Ordinance amending the budget for the replacement of the evaporator coil at City Park

Motion to open Public Hearing: Dan Doerle; 2nd Ricky Gonsoulin

Public comment: None

Motion to close Public Hearing: Brooke Marcotte; 2nd Ricky Gonsoulin

Motion by David Merrill, seconded by Ron Davis

**YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Warren White, Troy Comeaux, Ricky Gonsoulin,
David Merrill, Ron Davis, and Dan Doerle**
NAYS: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Motion adopted.

4. RESOLUTIONS:

- a. **Resolution No. 25-01:** A Resolution authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute and agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and Wanderlust Rentals, LLC for the operation of Bayou Teche watercraft rentals

Motion by Brooke Marcotte, seconded by Ricky Gonsoulin

YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Warren White, Troy Comeaux, Ricky Gonsoulin, David Merrill, Ron Davis, and Dan Doerle

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion adopted.

- b. **Resolution No. 25-02:** A Resolution authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and the Garon Paul Atkinson Lewis Foundation related to the Teen Court Program

Motion by Brooke Marcotte, seconded by David Merrill

YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Warren White, Troy Comeaux, Ricky Gonsoulin, David Merrill, Ron Davis, and Dan Doerle

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion adopted.

- c. **Resolution No. 25-03:** A Resolution authorizing the mayor to act on behalf of the City of New Iberia in all matters pertaining to State Project No. H.014510.5 Iberia Street Pavement Preservation and Bike Improvements, and further authorizing the mayor to sign any and all documents, contracts, and agreements in connection therewith.

Motion by Troy Comeaux, seconded by Ricky Gonsoulin

YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Warren White, Troy Comeaux Ricky Gonsoulin, David Merrill, Ron Davis, and Dan Doerle

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion adopted.

5. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

- a. **Ordinance No. 2025-01:** An Ordinance authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and Hospital Service District No. 1 for the disposal of a parcel of property in the Spanish Towne Center Subdivision in exchange for certain property to be used as additional access to the Teche Haven Subdivision and setting for public hearing on January 21, 2025.

Motion by Dan Doerle, seconded by Brooke Marcotte

YEAS: Brooke Marcotte, Warren White, Troy Comeaux Ricky Gonsoulin, David Merrill, Ron Davis, and Dan Doerle

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion adopted.

6. COUNCIL REMARKS:

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next regularly scheduled city council meeting will be held on January 21, 2025.
- b. Reminder to council and citizens to participate in the MS4 Storm Water Survey at www.cityofnewiberia.com under Public Works section.
- c. **The City of New Iberia currently has adjudicated properties available for sale at CivicSource.com.** To initiate the auction process on one or more properties, the investor must place a deposit of \$850 on each property, which starts the prerequisite legal research and notification process that is required before the auction takes place. The pre-sale process takes approximately 120 days to complete. If the current property owner pays all delinquent taxes and fees during the pre-sale period, the depositor is refunded the deposit and the sale is halted. Visit CivicSource.com to learn more.

8. **ADJOURN:**

Unanimous motion to adjourn at 6:08 p.m.

/s/Lanie Kerlegon
Lanie Kerlegon, City Clerk
City of New Iberia