

**MINUTES OF THE
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS
880 N. Alexander Ave. Port Allen, La 70767
Tuesday, September 6, 2022
5:00 PM**

The Following Minutes Are Summarized For Brevity, For Precise Meeting Information Please Refer To Meeting Audio Or Video.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Board of Adjustments was held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 and called to order at 05:00 PM.

2. SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Chairman David Rodrigue asked that all electronic devices be placed on silent.

3. ROLL CALL

The following members were recorded as being present: Messrs. Grover Harrison, Barry Wilkinson, David Rodrigue, Steve Jones, Natashaia Benoit, Prince Gray.

Also present were, Mr. Riley Berthelot Jr, Parish President, Mr. Kevin Durbin, Director of Public Works and Mrs. Mallorie Davis, Secretary

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Secretary Davis explained to the Board that both the Chairman and Vice Chairman, if changed, would take effect at the next Board of Adjustments meeting.

A. Chairman.

A motion was made by Steve Jones, seconded by Natashaia Benoit to approve Grover Harrison as Chairman.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 4 (Barry Wilkinson, David Rodrigue, Steve Jones, Natashaia Benoit)

NAYS: 1 (Grover Harrison)

ABSENT: 0 ()

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

B. Vice Chairman

A motion was made by Barry Wilkinson, seconded by Grover Harrison, to approve Natashaia Benoit as Vice Chairman.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 5 (Grover Harrison, Barry Wilkinson, David Rodrigue, Steve Jones, Natashaia Benoit)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 0 ()

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

5. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A. Approve minutes from July 19, 2022.

A motion was made by Grover Harrison, seconded by Natashaia Benoit to approve minutes from July 19, 2022.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 5 (Grover Harrison, Barry Wilkinson, David Rodrigue, Steve Jones, Natashaia Benoit)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 0 ()

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

7. PUBLIC HEARING:

A. BOA File #2022-07: Sarah Gibson requesting a variance to not erect an 8 foot wooden fence between Barnside Properties LLC, located at 5351 Choctaw Road, and the adjacent residential district.

The Chairman opened a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comment regarding the aforementioned item.

Mrs. Sarah Gibson was recognized and explained her reasons for the request. Mr. Douglas LeBauve, a residential neighbor, spoke in favor of not erecting a fence along his property line and the facility. He stated there is an existing tree line and that is the way he would like to keep it. Mrs. Gibson stated she would plant more trees where there may be gaps. President Berthelot discussed the drainage system running through the Gibson's property and how a fence would affect the maintenance of it. Mr. David Baucum, an adjacent landowner, did not oppose the request but questioned if today's decision would affect his property. Mr. Kevin clarified and answered his question.

A motion was made by Barry Wilkinson, seconded by David Rodrigue to approve **BOA File #2022-07:** Sarah Gibson requesting a variance to not erect an 8 foot wooden fence between Barnside Properties LLC, located at 5351 Choctaw Road, and the adjacent residential district..

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 4 (Grover Harrison, Barry Wilkinson, David Rodrigue, Steve Jones)

NAYS: 1 (Natashia Benoit)

ABSENT: 0 ()

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Grover Harrison and was adopted by acclamation at 05:26 PM.

David Rodrigue, Chairman

Mallorie Davis, Secretary