

**MINUTES OF THE
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen
Tuesday, March 15, 2022
5:30 PM**

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

ZONING

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Zoning Commission was held on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 and called to order at 05:30 PM.

2. SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Chairman Curtis Ducote asked that all electronic devices be placed on silent.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Jackson led everyone in an opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Ducote.

4. ROLL CALL

The following members were recorded as being present: Sidney Blanchard, Curtis Ducote, Joycelyn Green, Brady Hotard, Alfreda Jackson, Russell Vallet, Todd Plauche, Gary Leblanc.

Absent: Mr. Ray Rivet

Also present were, Mr. Kevin Durbin, Public Works Director, Mrs. Mallorie Davis, Secretary.

5. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- A.** Approve the minutes from March 2, 2022.

A motion was made by Alfreda Jackson, seconded by Russell Vallet to approve the minutes from March 2, 2022.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Sidney Blanchard, Curtis Ducote, Joycelyn Green, Todd Plauche, Russell Vallet, Alfreda Jackson, Brady Hotard, Gary Leblanc)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ray Rivet)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

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

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

7. PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no items to consider at this time.

8. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Brady Hotard, seconded by Russell Vallet to adjourn the Zoning meeting at 5:32pm.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Sidney Blanchard, Curtis Ducote, Joycelyn Green, Todd Plauche, Russell Vallet, Alfreda Jackson, Brady Hotard, Gary Leblanc)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ray Rivet)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

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

PLANNING

9. **CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 and called to order at 05:32 PM.

10. **APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

- A. Approve the minutes from March 2, 2022.

A motion was made by Brady Hotard, seconded by Gary Leblanc to approve the minutes from March 2, 2022.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Sidney Blanchard, Curtis Ducote, Joycelyn Green, Todd Plauche, Russell Vallet, Alfreda Jackson, Brady Hotard, Gary Leblanc)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ray Rivet)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion Passed.

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

12. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. *An Ordinance To Amend And Reenact The West Baton Rouge Parish Code Of Ordinances, Part III ("Unified Development Code"), Chapter 101 (General Provisions) Section 101-1 (Definitions) To Update Flag Lot And Large Tracts Definitions.*

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

Kevin Durbin was recognized and explained that the ordinance coming before them is to clarify the two definitions, flag lots and large tracts. He also informed the Commissioner that these changes came straight from the zoning review board. Mr. Plauche questioned the reason for the removal of the fire hydrant language from the flag lot definition. He stated that this language, when placed on a plat, may be problematic when it comes time for the building permit. The permit tech may not catch the language and the permit could be issued without the fire hydrant being issued. The committee is suggesting the landowner install the required infrastructure at the time of the plat review so that it is not missed down the line. There were no other questions from the audience or Commission members.

No public comments for or against said ordinance were presented. No written protests opposing the ordinance were received. The Chairman at this point declared the Public Hearing closed.

A motion was made by Todd Plauche, seconded by Brady Hotard to recommend approval of *An Ordinance To Amend And Reenact The West Baton Rouge Parish Code Of Ordinances, Part III ("Unified Development Code"), Chapter 101 (General Provisions) Section 101-1 (Definitions) To Update Flag Lot And Large Tracts Definitions.*

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Sidney Blanchard, Curtis Ducote, Joycelyn Green, Todd Plauche, Russell Vallet, Alfreda Jackson, Brady Hotard, Gary Leblanc)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 1 (Ray Rivet)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

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

13. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mr. Vallet asked Mr. Durbin to give the Commission an update regarding the 415 connector. The Commissioners and Mr. Durbin had a lengthy discussion regarding the future project. Mrs. Davis gave an update on the upcoming meetings and a training opportunity for all Commission members on April 9, 2022.

14. **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Russell Vallet and was adopted by acclamation at 05:53 PM.

Curtis Ducote, Chairman

Mallorie Davis, Secretary