OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL TUESDAY, AUGUST 26th, 2025 CHAIRMAN TAMMY HOUSTON VICE-CHAIR ROBBY ARCURI

The Council of the Parish of St. John the Baptist Parish, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session in the St. John the Baptist Parish Government Complex Chambers, LaPlace, Louisiana on Tuesday, August 26th, 2025, at 6:00 PM.

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL: Lennix Madere, Jr., Councilman-at-Large, Div. A, Virgie Johnson, Councilwoman District I, Warren Torres, Jr., Councilman District II, Tammy Houston, Councilwoman District III, Tyra Duhe-Griffin, Councilwoman District IV, Robert Arcuri, Councilman District V, Vernon Bailey, Sr., Councilman District VI, Dixie Ramriz, District VII

ABSENT: Michael Wright

Jackie Landeche, Council Secretary, led the Prayer and Michelle Miller, Director of EDC, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Legal Counsel Keith Green, Jr. and Kennilyn Schmill, were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY (3 minutes per citizen)

There was no public comment at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA:

ITEMS: Approval of Minutes - August 12th, 2025, Council Meeting

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilman Bailey moved and Councilwoman Ramirez seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda items consisting of Approval of Minutes - August 12th, 2025. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

REPORTS:

President's Report:

Jaclyn Hotard - Monthly Financial Report (July 2025)

PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION ON ORDINANCE(S)

<u>25-37</u> (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance to authorize the St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute a Lease Agreement with Gold Star Properties, LLC for lease of premises located at 456 W. 5th Street, LaPlace, LA 70068 (J. Hotard)

MOTION: Councilman Arcuri moved and Councilwoman Ramirez seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-37. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

 $\underline{\textbf{25-38}}$ (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along North Potomac

Drive by municipal address 617 North Potomac Drive, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18801) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilwoman Ramirez moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-38. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

25-39 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables underneath St. Andrews Blvd. by municipal address 2176 Pinehurst Drive, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18802) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilwoman Ramirez moved and Councilman Bailey seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-39. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

25-40 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Gail Drive by municipal address 123 Gail Drive, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18803) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

MOTION: Councilwoman Ramirez moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-40. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

<u>25-41</u> (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Golfview Drive by municipal address 2047 Golfview Drive LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18804) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

MOTION: Councilman Bailey moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-41. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

<u>25-42</u> (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Governors Circle by municipal address 616 Governors Circle, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18807) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

MOTION: Councilwoman Ramirez moved and Councilman Bailey seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-42. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

<u>25-43</u> (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along English Colony Drive by municipal address 1816 English Colony Drive, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18808) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilman Bailey moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-43. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

25-44 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Virginian Colony Avenue by municipal address 1832 Virginian Colony Avenue, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18809) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

MOTION: Councilman Bailey moved and Councilwoman Ramirez seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-44. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

<u>25-45</u> (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Virginian Colony Avenue by municipal address 1800 Virginian Colony Avenue, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18810) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

MOTION: Councilman Bailey moved and Councilwoman Ramirez seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-45. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

25-46 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Virginian Colony Avenue by municipal address 1812 Virginian Colony Avenue, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18811) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

MOTION: Councilman Bailey moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-46. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

25-47 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Dufresne Drive by municipal address 136 Dufresne Drive, Wallace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18812) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilwoman Johnson moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-47. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

25-48 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Oak Fern Court by municipal address 113 Oak Fern Court, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18813) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

MOTION: Councilwoman Ramirez moved and Councilman Bailey seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-48. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

<u>25-49</u> (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving excavation within Parish Rights-of-way for the installation of fiber optics cables along Idaho Court by municipal address 109 Idaho Court, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (Permit No. 18814) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

MOTION: Councilwoman Ramirez moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 25-49. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jaclyn Hotard/Jason Akers - Resolution - R25-135 - A Resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, to authorize the renewal of special taxes therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilman Bailey moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R25-135. A Resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana, to authorize the renewal of special taxes therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith. BE IT RESOLVED by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St.

John the Baptist, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that: SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, including Article VI, Section 32 thereof, the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025, between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit: PROPOSITION NO. 1 OF 3 (PUBLIC BUILDINGS TAX RENEWAL) Shall the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy a special tax of 1 mill on all property subject to taxation in the Parish (an estimated \$950,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2026 and ending with the year 2035, for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining the Parish courthouse, jail and office buildings of the Parish? PROPOSITION NO. 2 OF 3 (HEALTH UNIT TAX RENEWAL) Shall the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy a special tax of .96 mills on all property subject to taxation in the Parish (an estimated \$925,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2028 and ending with the year 2037, for the purpose of maintaining, operating and improving medical and public health facilities and services in the Parish? PROPOSITION NO. 3 OF 3 (LIBRARY TAX RENEWAL) Shall the Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy a special tax of 9.94 mills on all property subject to taxation within the Parish (an estimated \$9,500,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2028 and ending with the year 2037, for the purpose of maintaining, constructing and operating public libraries in St. John the Baptist Parish? SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the official journal of the Parish once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full. Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to the publication of the Notice of Election, the Secretary is authorized and directed to make any amendments to the foregoing propositions that may be required to comply with any state or federal regulatory agencies. SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the St. John the Baptist Parish Government Complex Chambers, 1811 W. Airline Hwy, LaPlace, Louisiana, on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025, at 6:00 P.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places for the precincts in the Parish are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said elections, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law. SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the Parish will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used. SECTION 6.Authorization of Officers. The Secretary of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the Chairman and/or Secretary of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election. SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of St. John the Baptist Parish and the Registrar of Voters of St. John the Baptist Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law. SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to continue to levy the special taxes provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application. SECTION 9. Employment of Counsel. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel on matters related to the special election, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., is hereby employed as special counsel for said purpose for a term not exceeding one (1) year from the date of this resolution. The fee to be paid said special counsel shall be an amount computed at hourly rate based on the Attorney General's then current Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule, not to exceed \$1,000 in the aggregate, together with reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, and payment for the work herein specified is hereby approved without further action of this Governing Authority as and when invoices are presented. The scope of this legal representation does not involve federal claims. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R25-136 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award the bid for the REGALA Park Flag Football Field Synthetic Turf and Lighting Project to Next Generation Sports Surfaces, LLC

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilwoman Ramirez seconded the motion to approve Resolution R25-136. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award the bid for the REGALA Park Flag Football Field Synthetic Turf and Lighting Project to Next Generation Sports Surfaces, LLC. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and WHEREAS, Next Generation Sports Surfaces, LLC of St. Martinville, LA submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid in the amount of \$508,000; and, WHEREAS, services will include the installation of a new synthetic turf, lighting for the REGALA Park Flag Football Field and chain link fencing; and, WHEREAS, the project will be funded through the Recreation Department Budget. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish is hereby authorized to award the bid for the REGALA

Park Flag Football Field Synthetic Turf and Lighting Project to Next Generation Sports Surfaces, LLC. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R25-137 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with I.C.E. Sales & Service, LLC for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisitions (SCADA) On-Call, Design and Integration Support Parish Wide

MOTION: Councilman Bailey moved and Councilwoman Ramirez seconded the motion to approve Resolution R25-137. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with I.C.E. Sales and Service, LLC for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisitions (SCADA) On-Call, Design and Integration Support Parish Wide. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and WHEREAS, I.C.E. Sales & Service, LLC of Des Allemands, LA submitted the only proposal received and reviewed by the Source Selection Committee; and, WHEREAS, services will include technical integration and consultant support for facility control systems and remotely located water supply sites; and, WHEREAS, this will allow the Utilities Department to expand the SCADA System to remotely monitor new or upgraded facilities, allowing quicker response and increased efficiency; and WHEREAS, services will be funded through the Utilities and Wastewater Budgets. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that Parish President Jaclyn Hotard is hereby duly authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council to sign and execute the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and I.C.E. Sales & Service, LLC. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R25-138 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Parish Engineering, LLC for Engineering Services for the Street Lighting and Replacement Project

MOTION: Councilwoman Ramirez moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R25-138. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Parish Engineering, LLC for Engineering Services for the Street Lighting and Replacement Project. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and, WHEREAS, Parish Engineering, LLC of Baton Rouge, LA ranked first out of four (4) proposals received and reviewed by the Source Selection Committee; and, WHEREAS, the Louisiana Office of Community Development-Disaster Recovery (LOCD-DR) helps communities recover from disasters by administering federal disaster recovery funds to support housing, infrastructure, economic development and resilience; and, WHEREAS, St. John the Baptist Parish has received approval from the (LOCD-DR) for the Street Lighting and Replacement Project in the amount of \$1,100,000 CDBG-DR Funds, under the Parish's Resilient Communities Infrastructure Project Allocation; and, WHEREAS, the successful completion of such projects requires assistance from qualified professional engineering firms

to provide planning, design and construction management services; and, WHEREAS, the project will consist of replacing streetlight Parish wide; and, WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the Agreement is \$181,125 and will be funded through the Grant award received from LOCD-DR. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that Parish President Jaclyn Hotard is hereby duly authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council to sign and execute the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and Parish Engineering, LLC. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R25-139 - A Resolution authorizing St.

John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with All

South Consulting Engineers, LLC for Engineering Services for the Reserve Sidewalk

Restoration Project

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Bailey seconded the motion to approve Resolution R25-139. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with All South Consulting Engineers, LLC for Engineering Services for the Reserve Sidewalk Restoration Project. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and, WHEREAS, All South Consulting Engineers, LLC of Metairie, LA ranked first out of eight (8) proposals received and reviewed by the Source Selection Committee; and, WHEREAS, the Louisiana Office of Community Development-Disaster Recovery (LOCD-DR) helps communities recover from disasters by administering federal disaster recovery funds to support housing, infrastructure, economic development and resilience; and, WHEREAS, St. John the Baptist Parish has received approval from the (LOCD-DR) for the Reserve Sidewalk Restoration Project in the amount of \$2,058,614 CDBG-DR Funds, under the Parish's Resilient Communities Infrastructure Project Allocation; and, WHEREAS, services will include to provide planning, design and construction management services; and, WHEREAS, the project will consist of installing ADA compliant sidewalks from Central Avenue to East 31st Street in Reserve, LA; and, WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the Agreement is \$304,460 and will be funded through the Grant award received from LOCD-DR. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that Parish President Jaclyn Hotard is hereby duly authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council to sign and execute the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and All South Consulting Engineers, LLC. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R25-140 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC for the Ezekial Jackson and Esperanza Lift Station Rehabilitation Project

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Torres seconded the motion to approve Resolution R25-140. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC for the Ezekial Jackson and Esperanza Lift Station Rehabilitation Project. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist

Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and WHEREAS, C.H. Fenstermaker & Associated, LLC of New Orleans, LA has been selected as the Engineer for the Ezekial Jackson and Esperanza Lift Station Rehabilitation Project; and, WHEREAS, the lift stations need to be rehabilitated to continue to provide reliable wastewater collection in their services areas; and, WHEREAS, the cost of the Agreement is \$71,633.89 and will be funded through the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Clean Water State Revolving Loan. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that Parish President, Jaclyn Hotard, is hereby duly authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council to execute a Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R25-141 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute and submit any and all documents to the Delta Regional Authority (DRA) for the Fiscal Year 2025 Federal Award Program Cycle for improvements to the Vicknair Canal Pump Station Project

MOTION: Councilman Bailey moved and Councilwoman Duhe-Griffin seconded the motion to approve Resolution R25-141. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to execute and submit any and all documents to the Delta Regional Authority (DRA) for the Fiscal Year 2025 Federal Award Program Cycle for improvements to the Vicknair Canal Pump Station Project. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and WHEREAS, the Delta Regional Authority (hereinafter "DRA") was created by Congress by the Delta Regional Authority Act of 2000, as amended, as a federal/state partnership now comprised of 255 counties and parishes within the eight states of Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee in order to remedy severe and chronic economic distress by stimulating economic development and fostering partnerships that will have a positive impact on the Delta Region's economy; and WHEREAS, St. John the Baptist Parish, acting by and through St. John the Baptist Parish Council proposes to apply for an award with DRA for the Fiscal Year 2025 federal award program cycle; and, WHEREAS, St. John the Baptist Parish strategy is to reduce catastrophic flood risks in the parish that were severely impacted by Hurricane Ida and other recent flooding events; and, WHEREAS, the Vicknair Canal drainage corridor serves multiple neighborhoods in Laplace and nearby commercial corridors that experience regular and repeated flooding; and, WHEREAS, the St. John the Baptist Parish is seeking funds in the amount of \$1,888,875 to purchase the core mechanical components (the pump and debris-removal screen) for the Vicknair Canal Pump Station Project; and, WHEREAS, this project will allow the Parish to initiate phased construction and drastically improve the canal's ability to discharge water across the I-10 embankment and protect downstream neighborhoods; and, WHEREAS, Delta Regional Authority requires an authorizing resolution as part of its pre-application process; and, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the St. John the Baptist Council does hereby authorize the Parish President to hereby authorized to execute and submit any and all documents including, but not limited to, applications, award closing documents, request for funds, status reports to DRA for the Fiscal Year 2025 Federal Award Program Cycle for improvements to the Vicknair Canal Pump Station Project; and, BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED THAT, the St. John the Baptist Parish agrees to additional matching funds for the Vicknair Canal Pump Station Project. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

- 25-50 An ordinance approving the request to rezone the proposed Lot 13A, Block 35, of the Hope Plantation Subdivision from the Residential District One (R-1) to the Industrial District One (I-1) located at 575 Garyville Northern Street, Garyville, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (PZR-1707) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)
- 25-51 An ordinance approving the resubdivision of Lots 12 and 13, Block 35, of the Hope Plantation Subdivision, located at 575 and 581 Garyville Northern Street, Garyville, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (PZS-1438) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)
- 25-52 An ordinance approving the resubdivision of Lot 1-B-1 of the LaPlace Plantation Subdivision, located at 1410 and 1412 West Airline Highway LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (PZS-1441) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)
- 25-53 An ordinance approving the resubdivision of Lot K-1 located on Highway 61, Mt. Airy, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA (PZS-1442) (J. Hotard/C. Powell)

ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:37 PM, Councilman Bailey moved and Councilwoman Johnson seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed with Councilman Wright absent.

/s/Tammy Houston COUNCIL CHAIRMAN /s/Donna Barber Legislative Assistant