

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AGENDA REVIEW COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M.

ST. TAMMANY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX

21490 KOOP DRIVE, MANDEVILLE, LA.

Call to order by Honorable Rykert O. Toledano, Jr., Chairman

**Roll Call: Marty Dean ABSENT
Martha Jenkins Cazaubon
Rykert O. Toledano, Jr.
James "Jimmie" Davis, III
Michael "Mike" Maxwell Smith
Maureen "MO" O'Brien
Jacob "Jake" Airey**

ALSO PRESENT: Fitzgerald, Lorino

Toledano - 1. Review of Parish Council Agenda for the regular meeting on June 4, 2020. (Meeting Agenda available in Council Office or on Parish website: stpgov.org)

**Toledano-would entertain a motion to move appearances up.
Moved by O'Brien, seconded by Davis.**

Toledano-explained the importance of the appearances regarding millage rates. Asked Troy Dugas to explain the process.

Louis Fitzmorris-Assessor-gave a statement and explained reassessment.

Troy Dugas-also explained in more detail millage rates and the process that the assessor's office goes through when making assessments.

APPEARANCES

Toledano-called up each Fire District/Rec. District representative to speak explaining their reason for rolling up if they desire to do so.

**1. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 1
Chairman Daniel Crowley.**

Crowley- They finished the budget on Tuesday. Have a meeting in July. Can't really say whether they will roll-up or not until they have that meeting. They only have 1 revenue source.

Discussion ensued.

Chris Kaufman-made an explanation regarding millages. Wants to present transparency. Glad to meet with anyone regarding the budget and recommendations. Are prudent with tax payers' money.

**2. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 5
Chairman Charles Wilt.**

Wilt- Agrees with everything F.D. 1 said. They are a small district around Folsom. They have to operate by the same rules as everyone else or insurance will go up. They have 4 fire houses, but need another. They are frugal with the tax payers' money. They don't buy new vehicles, but they buy new parts and rebuild old ones.

**3. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 3
Chairman Danny McGregor.**

McGregor- From the Lacombe area. Intent is to roll forward. They are under stress financially. They need a ladder truck, but can't afford a ladder truck. They have an aging fleet. They have

never had a piece of new equipment. They are understaffed and are going to have to start reducing. The roll up will cover basic costs.

Davis-Try to save these people. Agrees 100% with Mr. McGregor.

Stefancik-Thinks this district has been struggling for a while. Probably needs this roll up just to survive. Needs to look at their ambulance service again.

4. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 9
Chairman Louise Rothwell.

Hand-They will be at the July 09, 2020 meeting.

5. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 8
Chairman Jay Hawkins.

Hand-FD #8 along with FD #13 will not be rolling up.

6. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 12
Vice-Chairman Ryan Munsey.

Munsey-Cover wards 2, 3, 5, I-12 up 190 in the Walmart area, but not in the City of Covington. Intend to roll up to give the best services. The roll-up won't be enough to pay back into the retirement fund. They have 5 fire houses.

Discussion ensued.

7. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 4
Chairman William "Bill" Dobson, Jr.

Dobson—Cover the city limits of Mandeville and Ward 4. It would cost \$15-\$22 per year per household if they were to roll up. The fire department is very transparent. The District hasn't had a new Fire station in 30 years. They provide advanced life saving services. Asked for millage in 2018 and it passed by over 70%. Rolled back for 2 years. FD #4 is the first district to receive Class 1 PIAL rating. Roll forward is about response time. Will have a powerpoint with information at the full Council meeting.

8. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 13
Chairman George Osbourn.

9. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Fire District No. 6
Chairman Clay Foreman.

Foreman-Cover the Lee Rd./Barkers Corner/Blonde area. They are the smallest district here. They have the smallest millage rate. They are considering rolling forward based on information they received. There was a loss of revenue. They recently purchased land to put a new station at Barkers Corner/Lee Rd. This will cut down response time.

Fitzgerald-Thanked Mr. Foreman. What they are trying to do is a good thing.

Foreman-They have 2 full-time firefighters now and would like to add 2 more. Adding this to their budget would take over 1/2 of the budget.

10. Discussion and explanation regarding Potential Millage Roll-ups - Recreation District No. 12 Director Jennifer Goings.

Cazaubon-read a statement prepared by Ms. Goings because she had a prior engagement. Park opened n 2000. Due to virus they have lost extra funding. They plan to roll up their millage.

ITEMS TO PULL – SPECIAL ITEMS

Toledano – 1. Resolution C.S. No. C-6295 – Resolution establishing Adjusted Millage Rates for the Year 2020.

Toledano – 2. Resolution C.S. No. C-6296 – Resolution establishing Parcel Fees for the Year 2020.

Long – explained the importance of these 2 items.

O'Brien-moved to refer to full Council, seconded by Davis. Unanimous with 1 absent (Dean).

ITEMS TO PULL - ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

Toledano - Ord. Cal. No. 6405 – Ordinance to amend the Parish Code of Ordinances for Reorganization of Parish Departments.

Airey – moved to recommend postponing to the full Council, seconded by M. Smith. Unanimous with 1 absent (Dean).

12. Ord. Cal. No. 6415 - Ordinance to amend the 2020 Capital Improvement Budget and Capital Assets - Amendment No. 18. (Lorino/Cooper)

Davis - moved to refer to the Council Finance Committee, second by Airey. Unanimous with 1 absent (Dean).

13. Ord. Cal. No. 6416 - Ordinance to amend the 2020 Capital Improvement Budget and Capital Assets - Amendment No. 19. (Lorino/Cooper)

Davis - moved to refer to the Council Finance Committee, second by O'Brien. Unanimous with 1 absent (Dean).

14. Ord. Cal. No. 6417 - Ordinance to amend the 2020 Grants Budget - Amendment No. 6. (Lorino/Cooper)

Cazaubon - moved to refer to the Council Finance Committee, second by O'Brien. Unanimous with 1 absent (Dean).

ITEMS TO PULL - ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

Toledano - 2. Ord. Cal. No. 6367 - Ordinance to amend Parish Code of Ordinances regarding sign permits for government entities. (Davis) (Referred to Zoning Commission 5/7/2020) (Zoning Commission Scheduled for 7/7/2020)

Toledano – This has not been heard by the zoning commission yet.

Cazaubon – moved to recommend postponing to the full Council, seconded by Davis. Unanimous with 1 absent (Dean).

Toledano - 10. Ord. Cal. No. 6403 - Ordinance to amend the 2020 Grants Budget - Amendment No. 5. (Fitzgerald) (Introduced 6/4/2020)

Cazaubon – moved to refer to the Council Finance Committee, second by Airey. Unanimous with 1 absent (Dean).

Toledano - call to the Committee and Audience for any additional items to be pulled from the Agenda.

Fitzgerald – moved to refer the remainder of the Agenda to the full Council, seconded by Airey. Unanimous with 1 absent (Dean).

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at the call of the Committee Chairman.



RYKER T. TOLEDANO, COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

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KATRINA L. BUCKLEY