

**TOWN OF GRAND ISLE
SCHEDULED REGULAR TOWN MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2023
1:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor David Camardelle who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Joseph Chauvin followed with a prayer. Roll call was as follows:

PRESENT: Council Members – Melissa Pizani, Kelly Besson Jr, Lan Tivet,
Brian Barthelemy, Elgene Gary

ABSENT: 0

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to accept the minutes of May 30, 2023 rescheduled regular town meeting as written.

The following proposed ordinance was introduced with the hearing schedule for the regular town meetings of June 14, 2023 and June 28, 2023 at which time it will be eligible for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO: _____

An ordinance amending the Town of Grand Isle Zoning Ordinance relative to Condominium District.

Assistant Chief Walter Theriot Jr. was recognized and reports on the following for May 19 – June 8, 2023. Total callouts 186, medicals 18, total arrest 7, total summons 5, total citations 36, total violations 46, golf cart summons 0, court fines paid \$5,533.78, tags sold \$64,057.00.

James “Jimbo: Adams with the GIFD was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) Applications for new membership is available.

Joseph Chauvin with GIS Engineering was recognized and reports on the following: **1.)** FEMA Updates – 2020 Hurricane Zeta work in progress follow up meeting needs to be scheduled. 2021 Hurricane Ida work in progress: **1.)** Fishing piers – Grand Isle side fishing pier has been awarded and equipment has been mobilized to project site on 6-13-23. **2.)** Cheniere Caminada Breakwater Project Rigid Constructors, LLC cost was \$8,990,100.00. Job is 100% completed. **3.)** Orange Lane Pump Station – Aims Group is working on updating bid package for this project to be rebid. **4.)** Grand Isle and Vicinity Breakwaters – Stone Contract anticipated construction notice to proceed April 2023. Dune Repairs anticipated construction notice to proceed July 2023. **5.)** Multiplex Building working on roof replacement. **6.)** Mayor and Council Request – Requested that GIS provide construction cost estimate for pump stations: Orange Lane, Chighizola Lane, Landry’s Hole, Cypress Lane. Permits Updates: Landry Hole & Cypress – DNR required the project to start by May 2022. Orange Lane DNR required start by July 2023. Chighizola pump DNR required to start by March 2024. **7.)** PPDR – Working on plans and specs for Batch 1 and Batch 2. GIS is working on cost estimate on the demo of homes. **8.)** Playgrounds/parks are in phase to start repairing. **9.)** Motion by Council Member Brian Barthelemy seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to pay \$17,970.78 for the concrete removal on LA 1.

Ronnie Sampey with the GI Garden Club was recognized and reports on the following: **1.)** New sign mile markers are being put into place (25 crossing signs) for levee crossings. **2.)** Spoke to Council Member Marion Edwards with JP council on assisting with the cost of the crossings after the CORPS is finished with protection levee. **3.)** Council Member Brian Barthelemy asked if Joseph can get a list of approved crossings for levee.

Weldon Danos with the Grand Isle Port Commission was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) Pier & Bulkhead Repair Project – \$2.0 funding available. Submitted request for State Capital Outlay in the amount of \$500K back in 2018. Requesting \$500K from Jefferson Parish 2.) Dredging of Bayou Rigaud Project –Completed initial dredging plan. Barataria Bar dredging is now completed. 3.) John Cheramie is the newest Port Commissioner. Will swear in at GIPC monthly meeting, July 13, 2023

The following proposed ordinance was introduced with the hearing schedule for the regular town meetings of June 28, 2023 and July 12, 2023 at which time it will be eligible for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO: _____

An ordinance amending the Town of Grand Isle Operating Budget for FY beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

The following proposed ordinance was introduced with the hearing schedule for the regular town meetings of June 28, 2023 and July 12, 2023 at which time it will be eligible for adoption.

An ordinance adopting the Town of Grand Isle Operating Budget for FY beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 2843

That the structures located at 2132 Hwy. 1, 151 Apricot Ln., 2843 Hwy. 1, 123 Live Oak Dr., 114 Santiny Ln., 620 Highway 1, 133 Nacari Ln., and 108 Chee Chee Ln. within the Town of Grand Isle are hereby condemned according to Article V Sec. 18-171 of the Town of Grand Isle Code of Ordinances due to extensive damage during Hurricane Ida.

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ida struck Grand Isle as a Category 4 Hurricane on August 29th, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2021 the President of the United States declared that a major disaster exists in the State of Louisiana and ordered Federal aid to supplement State, tribal, and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by Hurricane Ida beginning on August 26, 2021, and continuing; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Grand Isle declared a local state of emergency related to Hurricane Ida on August 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ida caused substantial damage within the Town of Grand Isle, including widespread damage to private structures which structures may pose an immediate threat to public health and safety and the economic recovery of the community at large; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article V Sec. 18-171. Condemnation of buildings by town the council may condemn and cause demolition of buildings or structures that endanger the public welfare.

WHEREAS, the structures located at the following address all within the Town of Grand Isle have been assessed and determined a danger to public welfare, have been served notice by certified mail to the mailing address of record and posting on the property: 2132 Hwy. 1, 151 Apricot Ln., 2843 Hwy. 1, 123 Live Oak Dr., 114 Santiny Ln., 620 Highway 1, 133 Nacari Ln., and 108 Chee Chee Ln.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Grand Isle Council of acting as governing authority of said Town of Grand Isle:

SECTION 1. That the structures located at 2132 Hwy. 1, 151 Apricot Ln., 2843 Hwy. 1, 123 Live Oak Dr., 114 Santiny Ln., 620 Highway 1, 133 Nacari Ln., and 108 Chee Chee Ln. within the Town of Grand Isle are hereby condemned according to Article V Sec. 18-171 of the Town of Grand Isle Code of Ordinances due to extensive damage during Hurricane Ida.

SECTION 2. That the Chairperson of the Grand Isle Town Council, or in his or her absence the Vice-Chairperson, by and they are, hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

This resolution was jointly offered by the Council Members.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Melissa Pizani, Kelly Besson Jr., Lan Tivet, Brian Barthelemy, Elgene Gary

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

This resolution was declared adopted this 14th day of June 2023.

RESOLUTION NO. 2844

A RESOLUTION WHICH SETS FORTH THE GENERAL ALIMONY, WATER AND GAS AUTHORIZED MILLAGE RATES IN THE TOWN OF GRAND ISLE FOR THE 2023 TAX YEAR.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millages are hereby levied on the 2023 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Town of Grand Isle:

MILLAGE

General Alimony (5165 001): 7.350 mills

Water and Gas Systems (5165 002): 5.490 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2023, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The resolution was offered by Council Member Brian Barthelemy, seconded by Council Member Elgene Gary and unanimously agreed to introduce the resolution. The foregoing resolution was read in full; the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Melissa Pizani, Kelly Besson Jr., Lan Tivet, Brian Barthelemy, Elgene Gary
NAYS: 0
ABSTAINED: 0
ABSENT: 0

This resolution considered adopted this 14th day of June 2023

Motion by Council Member Melissa Pizani seconded by Council Member Elgene Gary and unanimously agreed to add Legal State Holiday -Juneteenth to the TOGI holidays.

Motion by Council Member Brian Barthelemy seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson, Jr. and unanimously agreed to transfer money within the Grand Isle Police Department Budget in the amounts of \$228.00 from code 5321 to code 5611 - Guns & Equipment, \$53.00 from code 5321 to code 5319 – Physicals, \$46.00 from code 5321 to code 5303- Postage, \$57.00 from code 5321 to code 5303 – Food for Police, \$416.00 from code 5321 to code 5368 – Uniforms, \$5.00 from code 5360 to code 5328 – Small Tools, \$278.00 from code 5302 to code 5308 – Janitorial, \$86.38 from code 5302 to code 5410 - Water.

Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. request/report: 1.) How do we address the property owners to cut grass along LA 1. Response was letters have been sent to property owners. 2.) Ordinance rules concerning rentals over 200 ft from center of LA 1.

Council Member Brian Barthelemy request/report: 1.) Motion by Council Member Brian Barthelemy seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson, Jr. and unanimously agreed to purchase new chairs for council. 2.) Island Strong Music Festival funding will be going to drainage. 3.) Old police department – measurements done asking Joe is the drawing being done.

Mayor's Report: 1.) Meeting at State Capitol concerning the projects happening here in Grand Isle.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 pm.

David J. Camardelle, Mayor
Town of Grand Isle

ATTESTED:

Janet Scardino, Mayor's Assistant
Town of Grand Isle