

**TOWN OF GRAND ISLE
SCHEDULED REGULAR TOWN MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 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. Chief Scooter Resweber followed with a prayer. Roll call was as follows:

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

Motion by Council Member Melissa Pizani seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously approved to open agenda.

3A. Entergy

Motion by Council Member Brian Barthelemy seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously approved to close agenda.

Paula Rome with Entergy was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) Past outages were caused by many different reasons. Breaker related, lighting, and salt spray. Introduced other employees (Patrick Hamey, John Domangue and Michelle Bourg) from Entergy who play a big role in our electricity,

Motion by Council Member Brian Barthelemy seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to accept the minutes of June 14, 2023 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. 1031

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY the Town Council of the Town of Grand Isle, Jefferson, Parish, Louisiana that:

the following section is added to the Zoning Ordinance:

SECTION 3.12 Detached Condominium District (R-6) Regulations.

(1) Definition: *Detached Condominium.* Single-family dwelling unit constructed in a community covered by a Homeowners Association. As such, they are a special type of single-family dwelling to be excluded from certain regulations relating to single family dwellings in R-1, R-2, R-3, B-1, B-2, and B-3, districts within town limits.

3.1201 *Permitted uses.* R-6 districts are only allowed in R-2 beach residential, R-3 general residential, R-4 apartment-motels residential, B-1 neighborhood business, B-2 marine business, and B-3 general business districts provided that the following regulations apply. In the R-6 preservation district, only the following uses shall be permitted: single-family dwellings.

3.1202 *Prohibited uses.* Mobile homes, campers and all uses not permitted herein. Modular homes must be approved by building inspectors.

3.1203 *Height regulations.* No building shall exceed 44.4 feet mean sea level in height.

3.1204 Area regulations. For all buildings except accessory uses. Minimum distance between buildings must be 20' side yard. Minimum condominium unit size shall be on 1,000 square feet. No single floor shall be less than 1,000 square feet with the exception that in the case of multiple floors it reduces to 800 square feet.

1. Yard:
 - a. Front yard: minimum of 20'.
 - b. Side yard: minimum of 5'.
 - c. Rear yard: minimum of 20'.
2. Lot size:
 - a. There shall be a minimum lot width of 40', and a minimum lot depth of 80' including area over water.
3. *Lots occupied by single-family dwellings:*
 - a. Lots occupied by single-family dwellings shall contain an area of not less than 4,000 square feet.

3.1205 Off street parking: Provided for under part 4 of the zoning ordinance.

3.1206 Sanitary Sewer System: The property involved in a Detached Condominium District shall be served by a community sewer system approved by the Louisiana Department of Health.

This ordinance was considered section by section and as a whole and was offered by Council Member Brian Barthelemy and seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet.

Roll call vote there on as follows:

YEAS: Melissa Pizani, Lan Tivet, Brian Barthelemy, Elgene Gary

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Kelly Besson Jr.

This ordinance was declared adopted this 28th day of June 2023 and becomes effective on said date.

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 July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024 at which time it will be eligible for adoption

ORDINANCE NO. ____

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

Chief Resweber was recognized and reports on the following for June 9 – June 22, 2023. Total callouts 96, medicals 15, total arrest 1, total summons 1, total citations 12, total violations 8, golf cart summons 0, court fines paid \$7,158.59, tags sold \$26,100.00.

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 is in the CRC **2.)** Orange Lane Pump Station – Aims Group is working on updating bid package for this project to be rebid. **3.)** Grand Isle and Vicinity Breakwaters – Stone

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contractor is on site. Currently working on the west end of the island. Dune Repairs anticipated construction notice to proceed July 2023. Anticipated construction duration is 400 days. 4.) Multiplex Building working on roof replacement. 5.) 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. 6.) PPDR – Working on plans and specs for Batch 1 and Batch 2. GIS is working on cost estimate on the 21 structures.

Carles Sponge – Street Supervisor was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) Thanks to Restore Grand Isle for donating a flat trailer to use for the beach clean-up.

Ronnie Sampey with the GI Garden Club was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) New sign mile markers are in place from Humble Rd to Krantz Lane. The signs will be placed also on west end because it will be a-while before CORPS starts project. 2.) Thanks to a group from Alexandria who helped with clean up here in GI. 3.) Thirty one life rings on beach have been destroyed. 4.) Waiting for DEQ representative to approve land-fill/transfer station.

Weldon Danos with the Grand Isle Port Commission was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) FEMA Ida Assistance Grant Projects – Port Facility Rd, Kayak Launch, ADA Fishing Pier, totaling \$458K. Bid Advertisements were done. Opening bid Wednesday, August 2, 2023. 2.) Commercial Dock Renewal Process – FY 23/24 boat slip renewals. Sent invoices to lease holders.

RESOLUTION NO. 2845

A resolution approving the Butch Gaspard Public Subdivision Preliminary Plat

WHEREAS, the first step has been the approval from the Town of Grand Isle Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer has reviewed the plans, and

WHEREAS, the next step in the process is to get the Town Council to approve the plans so the final plat can be submitted to the Town Engineer.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Grand Isle, that the following actions are hereby approved by the Town Council: Butch Gaspard Public Subdivision Preliminary Plat as presented to the Town Council from GIS Engineering.

This resolution was offered by Council Member Brian Barthelemy, seconded by Council Member Elgene Gary.

Vote thereon as follows:

YEAS: Melissa Pizani, Lan Tivet, Brian Barthelemy, Elgene Gary

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Kelly Besson Jr.

This resolution was declared adopted this 28th day of June 2023.

RESOLUTION NO. 2846

An emergency resolution suspending Ordinance No. 638, Sec. 102-1.
“No wake” zone in Caminada Bay for the NOAA Dolphin Capture Program

WHEREAS, the NOAA Dolphin Capture Program is helping wildlife animals; and

WHEREAS, the animals in question is located between the rock segmented breakwaters and the Grand Isle shoreline; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest to work with state and local agencies.

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

Temporarily suspends Ordinance No. 638, Sec. 102-1.
"No wake" zone in Caminada Bay for the NOAA Dolphin Capture Program

This resolution was offered by Council Member Lant Tivet, seconded by Council Member Brian Barthelemy.

Vote thereon as follows:

YEAS: Melissa Pizani, Lan Tivet, Brian Barthelemy, Elgene Gary

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Kelly Besson Jr.

This resolution was declared adopted this 28th day of June 2023.

RESOLUTION NO. 2847

A resolution approving the STATE OF EMERGENCY – 2023 Hurricane Season, Declaration of Emergency by the Town of Grand Isle, authorizing the repair of the Grand Isle and Vicinity Beach Erosion and Hurricane Protection Project and authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute any and all contracts and documents related to the repairs.

WHEREAS, a storm event, Hurricane Ida, declared August 29, 2022, caused significant damage to the Grand Isle and Vicinity Beach Erosion and Hurricane Protection Project. Storm season starts June 1 and the levee and beach has not been repaired and cannot withstand any storms or seasonal weather at this time. Immediate action is necessary with the threat of hurricane season and irreparable and immediate harm threatening the residents and property located in the Town of Grand Isle.

WHEREAS, the repairs are both necessary and critical to the survival of the residents of the Town of Grand Isle and must begin immediately as hurricane season is upon us and Grand Isle is in a very vulnerable situation as has been evidenced by past history of hurricanes and tidal events. **STATE OF EMERGENCY-2023 HURRICANE SEASON.**

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, R.S. 29:721, et seq., confers upon the Governor of the State of Louisiana, the President of Jefferson Parish and the Mayor of Grand Isle emergency powers to deal with emergencies and disasters, including those caused by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or manmade causes, in order to ensure that preparations of this State, Parish and Municipality will be adequate to deal with and respond to such emergencies or disasters and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the State of Louisiana, the Parish of Jefferson and the Town of Grand Isle;

WHEREAS, when the Mayor has determined that a disaster or emergency has occurred, or the threat thereof is imminent, R.S. 29:724(B)(1) empowers him to declare a state of emergency by executive order or proclamation which he has done as of the 28th day of June, 2023;

WHEREAS, the Mayor may declare that a state of emergency exists which shall continue until they find that the threat of danger has been dealt with to the extent that emergency conditions no longer exist and such declarations have been made as of this date;

WHEREAS, the imminent threat of danger from Lack of Protection along the south side of the sand dune alignment due to from damages from Hurricane Ida 2021 in creates a threat to the lives and well being of the citizens of the Town of Grand Isle justifies emergency protective measures to guard against such threats;

NOW THEREFORE I, David J. Camardelle, Mayor of the Town of Grand Isle, a local political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: A state of emergency is declared to exist from June 28, 2023 in the area included within the boundaries of the Town of Grand Isle as a result of emergency conditions created by Hurricane Ida, more fully described above, that threatens the lives and well being of the citizens living within the boundaries of the Town of Grand Isle.

SECTION 2: Any activity authorized by law which is deemed necessary and appropriate will be taken to protect the lives and well being of the citizens that live within the boundaries of the Town of Grand Isle in response to this declaration.

SECTION 3: The state of emergency extends for thirty (30) days from Wednesday, June 28, 2023, unless terminated sooner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY the Town Council of the Town of Grand Isle, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana that:

The Declaration of Emergency is hereby acknowledged and the Mayor is authorized and directed to sign and execute any and all contracts and documents needed to repair the western end of the Grand Isle and Vicinity Beach Erosion and Hurricane Protection Project.

This resolution was jointly offered by the Council Members.

Roll call voter thereon as follows:

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

This resolution was declared adopted this 28th day of June, 2023 and becomes effective on said date.

Motion by Council Member Brian Barthelemy seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani to approve 2023-2024 renewal & new beer and liquor license application. Council Member Lan Tivet abstained.

Council Member Melissa Pizani request/report: 1.) Getting DOTD to paint the lines on Highway 1.

Mayor's Report: 1.) Representative Joseph Orgeron and Senator Pat Connick are pushing on projects here in Grand Isle. 2.) Thanks to Jefferson Parish Council Ricky Templet and Marion Edwards for what they do for Grand Isle.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 pm.

David J. Camardelle, Mayor
Town of Grand Isle

ATTESTED:

Janet Scardino, Mayor's Assistant
Town of Grand Isle