

**TOWN OF GRAND ISLE  
SCHEDULED TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024  
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 – Kelly Besson Jr., Lan Tivet, Elgene Gary

ABSENT: Melissa Pizani, Brian Barthelemy

Motion by Council Member Lan Tiver seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. and unanimously approve to accept the minutes of January 10, 2024 regular scheduled town meeting as written.

Walter Theriot Jr. was recognized and reports on the following for January 5, 2024 – February 8, 2024. Total callouts 69, medicals 12, total arrest & total summons 1, total citations 10, total violations 10, golf cart summons 0, court fines paid \$2,474.04, tags sold \$13,050.00.

Jimbo Adams with GIFD was recognized and reports on the following: April 5-7, 2024 will be hosting the Fireman's Fair. Please come out and support the GIFD.

Joseph Chauvin with GIS Engineering was recognized and reports on the following: **FEMA Updates** – 2020 Hurricane Zeta still in progress. 2021 Hurricane Ida still in progress. **TOGI Pump station rehab**- Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously agreed to approve the pay request #1 from Sealevel Construction in the amount of \$47,835.00. **Pump Permits Update** – Landry Hole and Cypress pumps Jefferson Parish is working on funding for 2023. Orange Lane pump station is funded by Jefferson Parish. Jackson Lane pump station engineering is reviewed survey data. **PPDR Program** – 28 homes have been submitted. Estimated cost \$1.01 million. **Town Hall Repair** - Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. to approve pay request #1 from Picciola Construction in the amount of \$29,538.00. **Other Business** – Joint Motion for mayor to send a letter request for and/all documents pertaining to applying for a grant for drainage study program. .

Ronnie Sampey with GIGC was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) Applying for a grant to purchase more trees. 2.) Ball Park will be seeding soon with Bermuda Grass seeds. 3.) Representative Orgeron gathered volunteers to help plant 100 trees.

Weldon Danos with GIPC was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) Pier & Bulkhead Repair project update – Construction 10% complete. Awaiting delivery of sheet pilings (mid\_February). Completion date May 2024. 2.) FEMA Hurricane Ida update – GIPC Office repair will be completed by the end of April 2024. Construction is 75% complete. 3.) Kayak boat launch is 100%. 4.) Washington DC meetings went well. Thanks to the Mayor, Town Council and GIS Engineering for allowing me to join in their meetings.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2856**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THOSE DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS REQUIRED IN IMPLEMENTATING GRANT UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM THROUGH THE RESTORE LOUISIANA INFRASTRUCTURE; FEMA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE NON FEDERAL SHARE MATCH PROGRAM, FOR THE TOWN OF GRAND ISLE IN THE AFTERMATH OF 2021 HURRICANE IDA.

**WHEREAS**, Town of Grand Isle has submitted an application for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Infrastructure Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Housing & Urban Development regulations require that the Town of Grand Isle certify that these activities for which CDBG funds are being requested are designed to offset the burden of local match requirements; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Grand Isle Council, as the governing authority of the Town of Grand Isle, hereby certifies that the activities for which CDBG funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 are being requested for the Town of Grand Isle are designed to offset the funding the town receives throughout the year from tourism and other fishing activities.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Mayor David Camardelle is hereby vested with the authority to conduct business, negotiate and sign all agreements, and thereby bind the Town of Grand Isle to the same, effective February 14, 2024.

Vote thereon as follows:

YEAS: Kelly Besson Jr., Lan Tivet, Elgene Gary

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Melissa Pizani, Brian Barthelemy

This resolution was declared adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024.

### **Resolution 2857**

A resolution approving a lot line adjustment between Tract 4-C and Tract 4-D into Revised Tract 4-C & Revised Tract 4-D 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:

A lot line adjustment between Tract 4-C and Tract 4-D into Revised Tract 4-C & Revised Tract 4-D Preliminary Plat as presented to the Town Council from GIS Engineering.

This resolution was offered by Council Member Lan Tivet, seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr.

Vote thereon as follows:

YEAS: Kelly Besson Jr., Lan Tivet, Elgene Gary

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Melissa Pizani, Brian Barthelemy

### **Resolution 2858**

A resolution approving to Combine Tract 4-E-3 & 4-E-4 into one Tract 4-E-3/4, being Salty Vibes Campground providing 6 RV spaces Preliminary Plat

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**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:

Combine Tract 4-E-3 & 4-E-4 into one Tract 4-E-3/4, being Salty Vibes Campground providing 6 RV spaces Preliminary Plat as presented to the Town Council from GIS Engineering.

This resolution was offered by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr., seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet.

Vote thereon as follows:

YEAS: Kelly Besson Jr., Lan Tivet, Elgene Gary

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Melissa Pizani, Brian Barthelemy

Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Elgene Gary and unanimously agreed to transfer funds within the Police Department budget.

Transfer \$2710.00 from 5403-13 to 5361-13 training, transfer \$2745.00 from 5403-13 to 5361-13 training, transfer \$357.14 from 5403-13 to 5368-13 uniforms, transfer \$401.00 from 5403-13 to 5361-13 training. Transfer funds within the General Fund budget. Transfer \$1,000.00 from 5309-10 to 5308-10 janitorial, transfer \$100.00 from 5701-21 to 5721-21 equipment rental. Transfer funds within the Utility Fund budget totaling \$3,500.00. Transfer \$2,200.00 from 5324-63 to 5307-63 office supplies, transfer \$200.00 to 5305-63 miscellaneous, transfer \$1,100.00 to 5340-63 physicals.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Elgene Gary and unanimously agreed to approve town cost on a possible gas leak that resulted in a unusual large gas usage.

Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously approved a letter of no objection to Coastal Use Permit # 20230768 located at 133 Chi Chi Lane to build the southern boathouse on application.

Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously approved I letter of no objection to Joint Permit #P20230913 located at 109 Trade Lane to construct boathouse with wharf & bulkheading.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Elgene Gary and unanimously agreed to allow Audubon Institute the use of the Multiplex Ctr, March 16, 2024 for Sea Turtle and Marine Mammal Volunteer Training.

Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously agreed to issue a new Beer & Liquor for The Lighthouse Restaurant.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. to convene into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters at 1:48 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet to reconvene from Executive Session at 2:16 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. and unanimously agreed to discuss two confidential investigations regarding personnel.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. to discuss a personnel matter involving an employee. Council Member Elgene Gary abstained.

Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. request/reports: 1.) Donating \$2,000.00 from the Blessing of the Fleet fund for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt held on Easter Day. Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously agreed. 2.) Request to submit Town Minutes into the Lafourche Gazette. Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously agreed.

Mayor's Report: 1.) Washington DC meetings were very productive. Spoke about the shrimp prices. Spoke about the USCG families coming back to Grand Isle. Housing discussions were addressed. 2.) Governor Landry stated that the state is committing to 50M for coastal protection along the coast of Louisiana. Governor will be pushing for rocks with the CORPS.

Motion by Council Member Kelly Besson Jr. seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

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David J. Camardelle, Mayor  
Town of Grand Isle

ATTESTED:

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Janet Scardino, Mayor's Administrative Assistant  
Town of Grand Isle