

**TOWN OF GRAND ISLE
SCHEDULED TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2024
6:00 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, Lan Tivet, Elgene Gary

ABSENT: Council Member – Kelly Besson Jr., Brian Barthelemy

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Melissa Pizani and unanimously approve to accept the minutes of May 8, 2024 regular scheduled town meeting as written.

Walter Maples Jr. was recognized and reports on the following for May 3, 2024 to May 16, 2024: Total callouts 69, medicals 10, total arrest & total summons 2, total citations 8, total violations 10, golf cart summons 0, fines paid \$2,203.53, tags sold \$18,375.00.

Darrell Lafont with GIFD was recognized and reports on the following: Both of the department's ambulance are broken and being fixed at repair shop. Thankful for the City of Gretna who has loaned an ambulance to the GIFD. Thanks to Brian Barthelemy for making this happen.

Joseph Chauvin with GIS Engineering was recognized and reports on the following: **FEMA Updates** – 2021 Hurricane Ida still in progress. **Cheniere Fishing Pier** – work is being performed. **Town Hall Repairs** - Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to approve pay request # 5 in the amount of \$24,332.85. **TOGI Pump Station Rehab** - motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to approve the change order for 1 fuel tank in the amount of \$5,500.00. **Multiplex Building** Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to approve pay request #4 in the amount of \$185,107.50. Joint motion was made upon contractor requesting additional 30 days added to contract due to material delays and engineering on wind load. **Jackson Lane Pump Station** – Completing design for pump station. **Orange Ln Pump** – GILD and JP has completed the CEA. Working on updating bid package. **PPDR** – Lan Tivet asked for an update. Still waiting on FEMA. **Community Center** – GOHSEP is checking out the structural integrity of the metal underneath. **Grand Isle & Vicinity Breakwaters** – Repairs to western jetty and approximately half of the breakwater's repairs have been completed. Contractor needed more stone than initially anticipated to complete the breakwater.

Carles Sponge was recognized and reports on the following: Motion by Council Member Melissa Pizani seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously agreed to repair back hoe in the amount of \$8,261.58.

Ronnie Sampey with GIGC was recognized and reports on the following: **1.)** Baseball park has been seeded and fertilized for 3 weeks now. **2.)** Community Garden has green beans, corn & eggplant ready to pick. **3.)** Received 54 oak trees in pots. **4.)** Will be doing a clean sweep of trash along Highway 1 on June 8, 2024.

Weldon Danos with GIPC was recognized and reports on the following: **1.)** ADA Fishing Pier Repair Project – Awarded to DHF Industrial LLC in the amount of \$17,883.00. Repair handrails, walkway & lighting. Resurface gravel parking lot in future. **2.)** No Wake Zone – Notifications of missing signs. Also reached out to USCG on boosting up patrol. **3.)** GI Island Garage Sale will be using parking lot.

The following proposed ordinance was introduced with the hearing schedule for the regular town meetings of June 12, 2024 and June 26, 2024 at which time it will be eligible for adoption.

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

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An ordinance adopting the Town of Grand Isle Operating Budget for the FY beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.

Motion by Council Member Melissa Pizani seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously agreed to table request for Police Department Budget Appropriation request.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to deny request for the use of the basketball court located at 104 Cott Ln on Saturday May 25, 2024.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to deny request for the Christmas in July Golf Cart Parade. With the magnitude of visitors, it's hard to police the line up and the parade itself. Suggestion from council is to move to another day.

Motion by Council Member Melissa Pizana seconded by Council Member Lan Tivet and unanimously agreed to allow Grace Church House of Prayer the use of the Multiplex on June 1, 2024.

Helen Tabor with GI Community Development was recognized and reports on the following: 1.) The Grand Isle Island Wide Garage Sale will be on May 25, 2024. The headquarters will be at the GIPC Building and will be from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm.

Mayor's Report: 1.) New levee built on Orange Levee vehicle has been riding on it. Please report if you see someone. 2.) Placing culverts on east side by the old Exxon property. 3.) Will be attending the Municipal Mayor's Day in Baton Rouge. 4.) Cleaning beach daily as the seaweed is washed ashore. 5.) State will be digging the ditches along the highway. 6.) Speaking to Senator Connick to resurface LA Highway 1. 7.) Working hard to get affordable housing/workforce housing here in Grand Isle.

Motion by Council Member Lan Tivet seconded by Council Member Melissa Pizani and unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

David Camardelle, Mayor
Town of Grand Isle

ATTESTED:

Janet Scardino, Administrative Assistant
Town of Grand Isle