

**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF BAKER, LOUISIANA  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
3325 GROOM ROAD  
BAKER, LA 70714  
July 24, 2018  
6:00 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Baker, Louisiana, met in regular session on July 24, 2018, with the following members in attendance at the meeting:

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Doris Alexander  
Glenda Bryant  
Pete Heine  
Brenda G. Jackson  
Dr. Charles Vincent

**ABSENT**

Mayor Darnell Waites

**CALL TO ORDER** – President of the Council Doris Alexander presided.  
The invocation was given by Council Member Heine.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Jackson.

**DISPOSITION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The motion was made by Council Member Vincent, seconded by Council Member Jackson to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 10, 2018.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Council Member Bryant stated that two items needed to be added to the agenda. The first item is to approve travel for Chief Carl Dunn to the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Training Conference in Hollywood, Florida, July 25, 2018 through August 3, 2018 under New Business.

The motion was made by Council Member Vincent, seconded by Council Member Heine to add item “2. Approve travel for Chief Dunn to the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Training Conference in Hollywood, Florida, July 25, 2018 through August 3, 2018 (Mayor)” under New Business to the agenda.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Council Member Bryant stated that the second item to be added to the agenda is a resolution regarding FEMA non-federal share match program under Resolutions and Proclamations.

The motion was made by Council Member Vincent, seconded by Council Member Jackson to add item “3. Resolution FEMA non-federal share match program (Mayor)” under Resolutions and Proclamations to the agenda.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

**RECOGNITIONS**

**PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS**

1. Approve business license for Issa Sports, Inc.  
Location – 6404 Groom Road, Baker, LA (Mayor)

No action was taken on this agenda item.

2. Approve business license for Integrity Tax Works, LLC  
Location – 414 W. Magnolia, Baker, LA (Mayor)

No action was taken on this agenda item.

3. Re-Zoning Request – 1411 McHugh Road  
Location – Lot 2, Raborn Place Subdivision, Section 29, Township 5 South,  
Range 1 East, Greensburg Land District, Baker, Louisiana (Mayor)

No action was taken on this agenda item.

**RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

1. Proclamation declaring August 2018 as National Immunization Awareness Month  
in the City of Baker (Vincent)

City Attorney Fabre read the proclamation.

The motion was made by Council Member Vincent, seconded by Council Member Jackson to accept the proclamation.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

2. Proclamation declaring August 2018 as Psoriasis Awareness Month in the City of  
Baker (Vincent)

City Attorney Fabre read the proclamation.

The motion was made by Council Member Vincent, seconded by Council Member Jackson to accept the proclamation.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

3. *Resolution FEMA non-federal share match program (Mayor)*

City Attorney Fabre read the resolution.

The motion was made by Council Member Bryant, seconded by Council Member Vincent to adopt the resolution.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

**PUBLIC MEETING**

1. Ordinance 2018-29, an ordinance to declare certain City of Baker property surplus  
and scrap and for related matters (Mayor) (Introduced 7/10/2018)

This agenda item was tabled.

**BIDS AND PROPOSALS**

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**CONDEMNATIONS**

1. 1531 Robinson (Mayor)
2. 4920 Lavey (Mayor)
3. 5002 Lavey (Mayor)

Council Member Vincent asked that the Lavey Lane addresses be removed from the agenda as work at these locations has been completed.

**ANNEXATIONS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Introduce Ordinance 2018-30, an ordinance to amend the City of Baker 2018-2019 General Fund budget regarding administrative expenses (Mayor)

Council Member Vincent stated that due to strong objections to the budget – he would like to see the council table this item.

This agenda item was tabled.

2. *Approve travel for Chief Dunn to the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Training Conference in Hollywood, Florida, July 25, 2018 through August 3, 2018 (Mayor)*

Chief Dunn stated that attendance at this conference will provide continuing education credits for the year. He also stated funds from the Marshal’s budget are being used to pay for the trip.

The motion was made by Council Member Bryant, seconded by Council Member Jackson to approve travel for Chief Dunn to the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Training Conference in Hollywood, Florida, July 25, 2018 through August 3, 2018.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

**REPORTS ON BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

1. Planning and Zoning Commission
2. Annexation Review Committee
3. Economic Development Team
4. Heritage Museum/Related Committees
5. ABC Board
6. Other Special Committees
  - a. Buffalo Festival
  - b. Prayer Breakfast
  - c. Strategic Planning Committee
  - d. Citizens Advisory Board to Law Enforcement – Chief Dunn reported that the Neighborhood Watch flyers have been prepared and they will be distributed throughout the city in every council district.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Finance Director Mary Sue Stages and City Attorney Fabre provided an explanation of Ordinance 2018-30.

Discussion regarding the scheduling of a work session to discuss the budget was held.

The motion was made by Council Member Vincent, seconded by Council Member Bryant to schedule a work session to discuss the budget on Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Former Senator A.G. Crowe introduced himself and announced that he is running for Secretary of State.

John Champagne, 3535 Harrison, stated that he has come to the city three weeks in a row in an effort to get his water bill straight and pay it, and has been unable to do so.

Council Member Vincent asked that the city do something to address the myriad problems at the former Commercial Tire on Plank Road. He said the fire that destroyed the building and affected residents of Feliciana subdivision happened six or seven years ago and nothing has been done. Council Member Vincent thanked city employees for mowing grass throughout the city.

Council Member Bryant asked for more No Littering signs for District 3.

Council Member Alexander thanked Administrative Officer Julie McCulloch for assisting her with signs in the Seville area.

Council Member Jackson announced that Rose Doolittle with Children Empowered by Caregivers is inviting grandparents and other non-biological caregivers who are raising children to join the support group she is establishing. Mrs. Doolittle can be contacted at (225) 775-4164. Council Member Jackson asked that everyone consider purchasing a Mascot Card to support the public schools in the City of Baker. She also thanked the Rotary Club for the work they do throughout the City of Baker and internationally.

Council Member Heine announced that long time Baker resident Sharon Lafleur was buried today.

Council Member Alexander said that Billie Ann Riddle is very ill.

Council Member Vincent thanked the residents of District 1 for a successful Back to School event. He said that First Quarters will host an event this weekend at the park and the Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Back to School event on Saturday, August 4, 2018 as well.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

#### **ADJOURN**

The motion was made by Council Member Heine, seconded by Council Member Jackson to adjourn.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

#### **CITY OF BAKER PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE STATE OF LOUISIANA**

I, Angela Canady, certify that I am acting Clerk of the Council for the City of Baker, Louisiana, and that the above and foregoing is a copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of the Council for the City of Baker, Louisiana held on July 24, 2018.

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Angela Canady Wall, LCMC  
Clerk of Council

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HILLCREST MEMORIAL GARDENS  
CITY OF BAKER  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
3325 GROOM ROAD  
BAKER, LA 70714  
July 24, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Baker, Louisiana, sitting as the Board of Commissioners for the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, met in regular session on July 24, 2018, with the following members in attendance at the meeting:

**COMMISSIONERS**

Doris Alexander  
Glenda Bryant  
Pete Heine  
Brenda G. Jackson  
Dr. Charles Vincent

**ABSENT**

Darnell Waites

**CALL TO ORDER** – Commissioner Alexander presided.

**DISPOSITION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The meeting was called to order and the motion was made by Commissioner Vincent, seconded by Commissioners Heine/Jackson to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 10, 2018.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Waites

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OTHER NECESSARY BUSINESS**

1. Monthly Business Report

2. Other Reports

3. Items Requiring Action

**ADJOURN**

There was no other business to come before the commission. The motion was made by Commissioner Vincent, seconded by Commissioner Jackson to adjourn.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Waites

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

**CITY OF BAKER  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

I, Angela Canady, certify that I am acting Clerk of the Council for the City of Baker, Louisiana, and that the above and foregoing is a copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens held on July 24, 2018.

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Angela Canady Wall, LCMC  
Clerk of Council

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BAKER CONSOLIDATED UTILITIES SYSTEM  
CITY OF BAKER  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
3325 GROOM ROAD  
BAKER, LA 70714  
July 24, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Baker, Louisiana, sitting as the Board of Commissioners for the Baker Consolidated Utilities System, met in regular session on July 24, 2018, with the following members attending:

**COMMISSIONERS**

Doris Alexander  
Glenda Bryant  
Pete Heine  
Brenda G. Jackson  
Dr. Charles Vincent

**ABSENT**

Darnell Waites

**CALL TO ORDER** – Commissioner Alexander presided.

**DISPOSITION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The meeting was called to order and the motion was made by Commissioner Vincent, seconded by Commissioner Jackson to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 10, 2018.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Waites

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OTHER NECESSARY BUSINESS**

1. Monthly Business Report
2. Other Reports
3. Items Requiring Action

**ADJOURN**

There was no further business to come before the commission. The motion was made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Jackson to adjourn.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Heine, Jackson, Vincent

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Waites

ABSTAIN: None

The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

**CITY OF BAKER  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

I, Angela Canady, certify that I am acting Clerk of the Council for the City of Baker, Louisiana, and that the above and foregoing is a copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Baker Consolidated Utility System held on July 24, 2018.

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Angela Canady Wall, LCMC  
Clerk of Council