



BROCK FARMER tees off on the first hole Monday at the Panola Woods Memorial Day Tournament (Sentinel photo by Joey Martin)

Bulldog legacy etched in Steele

By Teddy Allen

You don't have to be on nerve pill medicine to be a diehard fan of Louisiana Tech's 2022 baseball team, but it would probably help.

The Bulldogs lost more on Friday nights this spring than a shy sophomore at a sock hop, then bounced back to own the week-end time after time. They went 5-4 against last year's Conference USA NCAA Tournament qualifiers, all on the road. Morning box scores that looked like pillow fights hid the bare-knuckled brawl that went on the night before.

"This year we've got the same number of wins as last year (when Tech hosted an NCAA Regional)," said Tech rightfielder and 3-hole hitter Steele Netterville, "but it seems like none of them have been easy. Everything's been a battle."

So of course this is how the Bulldogs had to win the CUSA Tournament in Hattiesburg, Miss., this weekend, with walk-offs wins Saturday and Sunday after no walk-offs at all on their way to a 42-19 record and an automatic bid into an NCAA Regional.

They saved the best for last — or the worst, depending on your mental state. And it was Netterville who slapped a high fastball the other way and tucked it just inside the first base bag to chase home the game- and tournament-winning run to end a 4:11 hours, back-and-forth, 9-8 winner-take-all dogfight against UTSA in the tournament's championship game Sunday in Pete Taylor Park.

As the ball cleared the bag and UTSA's diving first baseman Ryan Flores, who'd tied the game up 8-8 in the top of the ninth with a homer off Tech's ace closer Kyle Crigger, Netterville's hands rose in the air and he danced more than ran to first, touched the bag, and joined the party of red-jerseyed champions piling onto each other in the infield.

A solid defensive team all season, Tech had made 11 errors in five tournament games. Their all-league closer had given up three homers.

And yet ... the conference championship trophy was riding on the bus back to Ruston, same as the four-hour-old postgame pizza, the exhausted players, the beginnings of memories that will last a lifetime. The Bulldogs did it.

It's the program's first conference baseball tournament title since 1987, when Tech was in the Southland Conference, Reagan was president, the Minnesota

Twins were World Series champs, there were only three Star Wars films, and milk was \$1.07 a gallon.

"We don't do anything easy," said Tech coach Lane Burroughs, now a father of three who, the last time Tech won a baseball title, was the scrappy Little League leadoff hitter and catcher for Rexall Drug of Point, Miss., the ol' Orange and Black.

"We gotta do it the hard way."

He is not understating.

To the great unwashed, Tech's 4-0 victory over Charlotte Wednesday and 7-2 win over Old Dominion Thursday in the Bulldogs' first two tournament games would seem appropriate for a No. 2 seed. Of course, the old hands knew what was coming: trouble. (The only weather delay in the tournament came in that Thursday shutout of Charlotte; it lasted nearly six hours and was an omen of things to come.)

The Bulldogs earned Friday off, then lost Saturday to Old Dominion, 9-6, in 13 innings. A win would have vaulted Tech into Sunday's title game. Instead, Tech had to face ODU in an elimination game Saturday evening.

Tech won that one, 8-7, when Tulane transfer Walker Birchfield rapped the first pitch into left center to score two runs.

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LSU announces TV games

LSU's historic home opener against Southern on Saturday, Sept. 10 will kickoff at 6:30 p.m. and televised on the SEC Network, the league office announced on Thursday.

Game times and television network designations were announced for the first month of the season Thursday. Kickoff times and television plans for the remainder of LSU's 2022 schedule — as well as the rest of the SEC — will be announced as the season progresses.

LSU's matchup against Southern, the first-ever meeting between the two schools, will also serve as the first game in Tiger Stadium for head coach Brian Kelly. Kelly takes over at LSU after becoming the winningest coach in Notre Dame history and with more wins than any active FBS head coach.

The league had previously announced LSU's season-opener against Florida State on Sunday, Sept. 4 in the Allstate Louisiana Kickoff Game at Caesars Superdome will start at 6:30 p.m. and will be televised on ABC.

The Southern game will feature former Ferriday standout Kobe Dillon at running back for the Jaguars.

Dillon transferred to Southern last season from Hinds Community College.

Against Arkansas-Pine Bluf, Dillon finished the game with 268 yards off 14 carries and all three of the Jags rushing scores. With that performance Dillon broke the SU single game rushing record.

Dillon is a 3-star recruit by 247Sports. In his senior year at Ferriday, Dillon was 120-of-199 for 2,112 yards and 23 touchdowns with only four interceptions..

Dillon rushed for 1,730 yards for 116 yards and 21 TDs. Dillon led Ferriday to the LHSAA Class 2A State Championship with a win over Many HS 56-17, where he was named Most Outstanding Player

Dillon finished the game with 225 yards and four touchdowns, was 8-of-12 for 174 yards and two touchdowns and rushed 12 times for 51 yards and two TDs.

Dillon held offers from Lamar, South Alabama and Grambling State

The LSU-Southern game in Tiger Stadium will also feature two of the nation's most popular bands — the Golden Band from Tigerland along with the Human Jukebox. The Human Jukebox will perform in Tiger Stadium for the first time and its pre-game and halftime shows have been featured at six Super Bowls as well as many other national events.

LSU's conference opener against Mississippi State on Sept. 17 in Tiger Stadium will be televised on ESPN and starts at 5 p.m. Last year, LSU posted a 28-25 win over the Bulldogs in Starkville.

The following week against New Mexico, the Tigers host the Lobos for a 6:30 p.m. kickoff in a game that will be streamed on ESPN+ and SEC Network+. It will be the first meeting between LSU and New Mexico.

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Florida State's season opener against Duquesne on Aug. 27 will kick off at 5 p.m. and air on the ACC Network, and the Sept. 16 contest at Louisville will be a 7 p.m. start on ESPN.

Public Notices

STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF CONCORDIA

7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT VIDALIA, LOUISIANA

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE AND APPRAISAL NOTICE

DELTA BANK

VS SUIT NUMBER: 53235

CHARLES WEBSTER MCCALL

WRIT OF: WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE

By virtue of above WRIT issued from the Honorable 7th Judicial District Court in and for the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, in the above-entitled number and cause, and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale the following described property to-wit:

SEE EXHIBIT A

Exhibit A

Commence at the Northwest corner of Section 3, T3N-R6E, Concordia Parish, Louisiana, thence run S 89E 37'E 2692.8 feet to a point; thence run S 0E 03' W 4329.6 feet to a bolt set at the base of a 16" oak marked "X"; thence continue S 0E 30' 17" W 2077.1 feet to a point of beginning; thence run S 77E 06'W3242.2 feet to the top bank of Red River; thence run in a general southeasterly direction along the top bank of Red River to a point where the section line between Sections 7 and 8, T3N-R6E, intersects the top bank of Red River; thence run easterly along said section line to a 1-1/2 inch iron pin on the said section line; thence run N 0E 30' 17" E 1090.9 feet to the point of beginning; containing 51.1 acres, more or less, all as shown by plat thereof made by James H. Tooke, Reg. C. E., dated April April 18, 1967; together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

LESS AND EXCEPT:

TRACT NO. LS-6: Comprising 0.22 acres located in Section 7, T-3-N-, R-6-E of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, as shown on the Right-of-Way map, a copy of which is recorded in Plat Cabinet I, Page 160-A, in the Records of the Clerk of Court of Concordia Parish, Louisiana. Being the same property granted to Fifth Louisiana Levee District as a Servitude of Way for a Levee by document dated December 9, 1980, and filed in COD 153, page 370, as Document No. 149234, of the records of Concordia Parish, Louisiana.

A 40.4 acre tract in Section 8, T3N-R6E, more particularly described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Section 8, run S 0E 30' 17" W for 460.0 feet; then run S 84 E 19' W 2836.4 feet to an iron on the top bank of Red River; then continue S 84 E 19' W approximately 200 feet to the mean low water mark of Red River; then run Northerly following said mean low water mark to the North line of Section 8, then run East along the North line of said Section 8 to the point of beginning, containing 40.4 acres above the top bank of Red River and being situated etirely in Section 8, T3N-R6E, Concordia Parish, Louisiana.

Being the same property shown on map or plat prepared by James H. Tooke, Reg. C. E., dated April 18, 1967, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of a boundary agreement by and between John McCall, et al and Raymond Delhoste,

recorded as Document No. 146131, in COB 140, page 322, Records of Concordia Parish, Louisiana, made a part hereof by reference, said tract being designated "Seahon McCall" on said plat.

LESS AND EXCEPT:

A tract of land comprised of 5 acres, more or less, bounded on the south and west by a 65.9 acre tract described in WRP No. 5-4041; on the north by McCall Road and on the east by the home site of Charles McCall. It being the intention of the parties to except from this sale the home and five acres around the vendors John Seahon McCall and Virginia Beard McCall.

2006 Supermagnet Cappaert, Model 3261, Mobile Home bearing serial numbers # CHVM360525622894A and CHVM360525622894B

DATE OF SALE: July 13, 2022

PLACE OF SALE: Second Floor, Concordia Parish Courthouse
 Vidalia, Louisiana

TIME OF SALE: 10:00AM

TERMS OF SALE: Cash WITH benefit of appraisalment.

DAVID K. HEDRICK, JR., SHERIFF

BY: Laci Darcey
 (Deputy Sheriff)

Advertise June 1, 2022
Advertise July 6, 2022

IF APPLICABLE, YOU MAY NAME AN APPRAISER TO VALUE THE PROPERTY IN THE ABOVE CAPTIONED SUIT AND TO NOTIFY THE SHERIFF OF YOUR APPOINTMENT NO LATER THAN TWO DAYS BEFORE THE SALE. SHOULD YOU FAIL TO APPOINT AN APPRAISER, THE SHERIFF SHALL APPOINT AN APPRAISER FOR YOU.

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

PETITIONER

vs.
LANDSEY FITE
AUSTIN DAVIS
JOHN LANOY

RESPONDENTS

IN THE MATTER OF:
John Robert Lanoy DOB: 10/7/2015
Kayden Michael Fite DOB: 8/14/2019

No. 61-54,449

CHILDREN UNDER EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court from the allegations of the Petition in this cause and the affidavit of the Petitioner that the whereabouts of the Respondent, John Allen Lanoy, are unknown and that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him, It is, therefore, ordered that Respondent, John Allen Lanoy, be served by publication of the following notice for four (4) consecutive weeks in The Concordia Sentinel, a newspaper published in Concordia Parish, Louisiana.

TO JOHN ALLEN LANOY:

The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a petition against you seeking to terminate forever your parental rights to John Robert Lanoy on the grounds that you have willfully abandoned this child and for other reasons. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you because your whereabouts are unknown. You are, therefore, ordered to respond by appearing in Court or filing an Answer to the Petition filed against you. A copy of the Petition may be obtained at the office of the Juvenile Court of Madison County, 110 Irby Street, Jackson, Tennessee 38301; 731-988-3913. This notice will be published for four consecutive weeks. The last date of publication will be 6/1/22. You must appear in Court on 7/7/22 at 11:00 a.m. to defend, or file an Answer within 30 days, or a Default Judgment or judgment on the facts will be taken against you and a hearing to terminate your parental rights will be set. All future hearings and/ or documents filed in this cause shall be filed with the clerk and shall be considered as service upon you. You may request your copy from the clerk.

ENTER this 5th day of May 2022. /s/ Christy R. Little, Juvenile Court Judge

PREPARED FOR ENTRY:
/s/ Brittany E. Buckley, BPR #038417
Attorney for the State of Tennessee
Dept. of Children's Services
225 Martin Luther King Drive
Jackson TN 38301
(731) 421-2000

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LEGAL NOTICE

VILLAGE TAX SALE of Immovable Property, State of Louisiana, Parish of Concordia, Village of Clayton, Louisiana, vs Delinquent Tax Debtors.

By Virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana, I will sell at the principal front door of the City Hall in Clayton, Louisiana, within legal sale hours for Judicial Sales beginning at 10:00 A.M., Friday, June 24, 2022, and continuing each succeeding day until sales are completed, all immovable property on which taxes are now due to the Village of Clayton to enforce collection of taxes assessed in the year 2021, together with interest there from the 31st day December 2021, at the rate of ten percent annum until paid and

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Genesia Allen, Brad Adams

all costs, the names of said delinquent taxpayers, the amount due by each to be offered for sale as follows:

PROCES VERBAL

I Sally B. Lewis, Tax Collector for the Village of Clayton, Louisiana, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached pages hereto and made a part hereof, is a true and correct list of delinquent taxpayers who have failed to pay their taxes for the 2021showing their names, post office addresses and a brief description of their properties on which the taxes are due, and the amount of taxes; that the parties have failed to pay the taxes assessed to them on the property described in this list and a printed and written notice has been mailed to each of them by certified mail and signed by me officially notifying them that the property would be sold according to law; that each of the notices showed the amount the taxes due.

In faith whereof. I have closed the Proces Verbal this 11th day of May, 2022, in presence of the undersigned witnesses over the age of 14 years.

s/s Sally B. Lewis
Tax Collector

WITNESSESS:

UNPAID TAXES FOR THE VILLAGE OF CLAYTON
May 11, 2022

ASSESSMENT NO.

0540009000	Forman, James Dewayne & Forman, Kendall Marie McClure P.O. Box 304 Clayton, LA.71326 Lot 17, Bingham-McClure Adnn. \$5.06 Plus Cost
0540007250	JL Development, LLC 401 Laurel St. Vidalia, LA. 71373 Lot 16, Bingham-McClure Adnn. \$4.22 Plus Cost
0540017000	JL Development, LLC 401 Laurel St. Vidalia, LA. 71373 lot 14 and 15, Bingham-McClure Adnn. 14' X 76' 1984 Nori Mobile Home \$2.73 Plus Cost
0540037300	Nettles, Rita Mechelle 136 Dianne St. Clayton, LA 71326 Lot out of 1, Lazarus-Bingham Adnn. \$11.40 Plus Cost
0540038600	Walker, Willie P.O. Box 333 Clayton, LA 71326 Lot 50 X 96 out of 4-acre Tract of Lula Keel Property \$4.15 Plus Cost

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PUBLIC NOTICE
SIXTH PLANNING DISTRICT LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
BOARD AREA 60 EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING ACTIVITIES
FOR ONE-STOP OPERATOR AND ADULT/ DISLOCATED
WORKER SERVICES

The Sixth Planning District Local Workforce Development Board Area 60, which serves Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle and Winn Parishes announces the release of the “Request for Proposals” to provide employment and training services for the One-Stop Operator and Adult and Dislocated Workers.

The purpose of the RFP is to procure one (1) contractor to serve as the One-Stop System Operator in the Six (6) Parish Area. The Operator will provide oversight of the Workforce system and will ensure compliance with Federal, State, and local policies.

Proposal packets and all required attachments may downloaded from the Local Workforce Development Board Area 60 website at www.wdb60.com or picked up at the Local Workforce Development Board Area 60 office at 3108 North First Street, Jena Louisiana, 71342.

Questions concerning the Request for Proposal process should be directed to Gay Smith, Workforce Director at (318) 992-8264 or email gstringerwib60@att.net.

All proposals must be received by June 23, 2022, at 4:00 pm. The proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the proposer's name and the words “Proposal for One-Stop Operator Services” written on the exterior of the envelope.

All WIOA funded activities are an equal opportunity employer program and auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
SIXTH PLANNING DISTRICT LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
BOARD AREA 60 YOUTH PROGRAM SERVICES

The Sixth Planning District Local Workforce Development Board Area 60, which serves Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle and Winn Parishes announces the release of the “Request for Proposals” to provide Career Services and Youth Program services.

The purpose of the RFP is to solicit qualified respondents to provide Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I Youth program services that place primary emphasis on serving Out- of School Youth ages 16 to 24 in Local Workforce Development Area 60 in the Six (6) Parish Area. (Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle and Winn parishes.

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LAWN CARE BID NOTICE FOR
CONCORDIA RECREATION DISTRICT NO.3

Concordia Recreation District No. 3 will be accepting bids for lawn mowing and trimming of the old recreation ball fields located on Alabama, Locust and Milligan Street. Provider must provide own liability insurance certificate.

Bid are due no later than 5pm on Friday, June 17. 2022.

Mail to:
Recreation District No. 3
PO Bo 817 Vidalia, LA 71373
Any questions, please call James Thomas at 318-209-9047

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PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 9, 2022
6:00 P.M.

The Police Jury of Concordia Parish met this day in regular session convened. There were present the following members:

President: Collin Edwards
Members: Maurice Bachus, Joseph Parker, Sr., Willie Yearby,
Gary Neal, Scottie Whittington, Adam Probst,

Absent:

Secretary Treasurer: Sandi T. Burley

Invocation: Mr. Bachus

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Probst

A) Mr. Edwards opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2022-04 Re-districting Plans for Concordia Parish Police Jury

B) Under Public Comments, Mr. Kevin Filroux stated he disagreed with the way the districts were drawn. If the Parish was going to maintain 9 Jurors, then there should be 9 districts. He supported his statement by each Juror could save money with less to oversee and campaign.

C) There being no further comments for the ordinance, Mr. Edwards closed the Public Hearing.

1) The meeting was called to order by Mr. Edwards. Ms. Burley conducted the roll call and a quorum was declared present.

2) A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2022 meeting as distributed. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Mr. Edwards gave Mr. Bryant Killen the floor to discuss updates on the development of the railroad commission. Mr. Killen stated Madison and Tensas Parishes have passed ordinances to develop the commission. Mr. Neal asked about the propensity for taxation and where match monies would come from. Mr. Killen stated that the residents of the parishes would probably not support an additional tax. Like the ports, state and federal programs would be leveraged.

Mr. Bachus asked what was the worst-case scenario of pursuing bringing the railroad back to the parishes. Mr. Killen stated that even if the railroad development failed, there would be no money out of the pockets of the residents. The burden of the tracks through the parishes would be on the railroad district and ports. The railroad commission would operate as a public entity, not privately owned.

With no further questions, Mr. Parker asked for the ordinance to be placed on the next agenda. A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Probst to re-advertise for a public hearing to consider the ordinance at the next regular meeting.

4) Ms. Yates was not present and had asked to be placed on next meeting's agenda.

5) A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Bachus to adopt Ordinance 2022-04 – Redistricting Plans for Concordia Parish Police Jury. There were no further comments. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Ordinance 2022-04.)

6) Resolution 22-012 – LGAP Resolution of Support was offered for review and approval. The Parish applies for LGAP funding to help fund major equipment purchases. A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve the resolution. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Resolution 22-012.)

7) Resolution 22-013 – CWEF Resolution of Support was offered for review and approval. The water districts of the parish – Concordia Waterworks and Lake St. John Waterworks rely on these funding projects for improvements to their systems. A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the resolution. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Resolution 22-013.)

8) Resolution 22-014 – Naming the Concordia Sentinel as the Parish's Official Journal was offered for review and approval. The Parish is required each year to name its official journal for publications. The Concordia Sentinel being located and distributed in Concordia Parish upholds the requirements to be named as the official journal. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Ms. Allen to approve the resolution naming Concordia Sentinel as the official journal of the parish. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Resolution 22-014.)

9) Mr. Probst stated that the residents of Forest Road were not able to attend. He asked for a motion to move agenda item number 18 (Executive Session) for current action. The motion was seconded by Mr. Yearby and carried unanimously. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Yearby to enter into executive session. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Yearby to return from executive session and the regular meeting resume. Motion carried unanimously.

10) Committee Reports / Action:
a) Finance – Ratify Purchase Orders and Bank Statements; A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Adams to ratify the financial documents. There were no public comments. Motion carried unanimously.
b) Finance – Ratify Quarter 1 amendments to 2022 Budget; The Finance Committee met and reviewed the 2022 amended budget. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Adams to adopt the budget as presented. There were no public comments. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Q1 Revised Budget.)

11) Ms. Burley gave an update on open projects of the parish. Key updates were: Brushy Bayou – Per GOHSEP, the project is about 60 days from complete review and approval. The application will then be sent to the Federal level for funding and awarding of Phase 2. Follow up will be conducted with Jordan, Kaiser, & Sessions (JKS) for status of DOTD review and comments. PA4462– The asphalt portion of this project is in final review for funding approval. The gravel portion has been approved and materials and timeline will need to be coordinated once the Mississippi River is low enough to conduct the work needed. HM 4590 – Working with public entities for mitigation needs from the winter storm. So far, generators are the biggest key component needed to keep operations running. An extension for the application has been given statewide. Broadband – No updates on awards have been received. ARPA – Annual report was submitted timely.

12) Jurors brought forward the following Ordinance Violations: Yearby – 452 Concordia Park, needs grass mowed
Whittington – locations on Stevens and Eagle Road need cleaned up
Allen – house of Shelly Barns on Green Acres needs junk cleaned up
Adams – Property at end of Poole Road
A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Yearby to cite the above violations. Motion carried unanimously.

13) Under the Secretary / Treasurer's Report, Ms. Burley brought forward:
a) Tier 3 Reports are due by May 15th.
b) The firewall protection on the server is due. This is typically done in a three-year renewal. The costs have considered increased due to features needed to prevent cyber-attacks. Computer Consultants had reached out to their providers and offered a quote by My Tech Partners for one and three year prices. Ms. Burley requested permission to purchase the three-year agreement to prevent further cost increases. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve the purchase. Motion carried unanimously.

14) A motion was made by Mr. Adams seconded by Ms. Allen and carried unanimously to approve the following liquor licenses:
JoJo's Drive Thru, Monterey Market, Swamp Dog / Frozen Spokane, Swamp Dog / Spokane Resort, Dodge Store

15) Mr. Guillory gave the following updates on Superintendent's Work Orders. 610 (yards) – 18 Belle Grove; 18 Ron Road; 12 Washington Heights; 74 Bob Rife; 30 Townsend; 14 Smart Lane; 16 Herbert Crouch Road; 5 Doty Road; 5 Rabb Road, Pitrun (yards) – 15 Whitehall for culvert; 48 Luke Martin Maintenance Gravel (yards) – 48 Luke Martin

Culverts needed – Hebert Crouch Road has collapsed. A 36x40 is \$3,944. Two culverts are needed for Poole Road in Ferriday. 2 – 5 feet x 100 feet, 12 gauge culverts - \$18,740. Discussed using LGAP funds to help with further culvert needs.

Mr. Guillory stated he needed more operators and laborers. Also discussed the use of temporary staff.

Mr. Guillory also stated that the ice machine at the barn is not working right. A new one would cost around \$8,000. Mr. Parker stated he would have someone look at it before deciding to purchase another one.

A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve the materials, culvert purchase and advertise for two laborers and one operator. No further comments. Motion carried unanimously.

16) Work Orders from the Jurors were next brought forward. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Whittington to approve the following:
Parker – potholes on Bayou Drive
Yearby – the culvert is ready to install at 744 Mooselodge
Allen – 336 Doty Road, land has been cleared and ditches need cleaning out
Neal – canal by Delta Charter needs to be cleaned out; canal between Ater Warehouse and Ridgecrest needs to be cleaned out
Adams – culvert needed on Gore Road; driveway needs patching at 120 Mount Lane off of Deadning Road; ditches are holding water at the end of Hart Young Road

17) Under Correspondence, Mr. Adams discussed adding Red Oak Lane and Perch Hole Road to the Parish Road System. A motion was made by Mr. Adams seconded by Mr. Yearby to advertise for a public hearing to adopt as an ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Neal asked for a motion to request the bank statements, certificates of deposits, and all financial documents from the Concordia Fire District #2. The motion was seconded by Mr. Adams and carried unanimously.

18) There being no further comments, a motion was made by Ms. Allen seconded by Mr. Parker to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Sandi T. Burley, Secretary / Treasurer

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the required public hearing to review, discuss and ultimately approve the 2022-2023 budget for the Office of Concordia Parish Clerk of Court will be held on TUESDAY JUNE 14, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the clerk's office, Room 5, New Courthouse, Vidalia, Louisiana.

Total estimated revenues	\$708,324.00
Total estimated expenses	\$708,048.00
Total estimated income	\$276.00

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE TOWN OF VIDALIA, LOUISIANA,
HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.
IN THE TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM,
200 VERNON STEVENS BLVD., VIDALIA, LOUISIANA

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, met, in regular session, in the Town Hall Meeting Room on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

There were present: Mayor Buz Craft, Aldermen Jon Betts, Tommy Probst, Robert Gardner, Brent Smith, and Alderwoman Rosa I. Demby.

There was absent: NONE.

There were also present: Piara Wilson, Municipal Clerk; Debra Moak, Municipal Accountant; George C. Murray, Jr., Municipal Attorney; Jay LaSyone, Municipal Manager; and members of the press.

The meeting was opened by the Mayor and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present, followed by the invocation given by Alderman Betts.

A quorum being present, the Mayor declared the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, to be duly convened, in regular session, as the governing authority of said municipality, and opened the meeting for the conduct of business.

After being reviewed, the typed minutes of the regular meeting of April 12, 2022, were approved with no changes. The motion for approval of the minutes was made by Alderman Betts, seconded by Alderman Gardner, and unanimously carried.

Following the approval of the prior minutes, the Mayor advised the Board that the current agenda items no. 7 and no. 8 need to be corrected as they contain the wrong information. The Mayor then asked for a motion to correct Agenda Item No. 7 to read as follows: "BOARD DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT OF THE COMMUNITY WATER ENRICHMENT FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023". Following the Mayor's request, a motion to correct Agenda Item No. 7 to read as just stated by the Mayor was made by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Probst, and unanimously carried. The Mayor then stated that Agenda Item No. 8 should read "BOARD DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2022-2023 GRANT APPLICATION". The Mayor then asked for a motion to correct Agenda Item No. 8 to read as he just stated. Alderman Betts made the motion to correct Agenda Item No. 8 to read as the Mayor stated, which motion was seconded by Alderman Smith, and unanimously carried. The Mayor then opened the floor for public comments on current agenda items. There followed the following public comments: First, Sabrina Dore' commented on Item No. 10, pertaining to the introduction of the Operating Budget Ordinance. Ms. Dore' reminded the Board that she had approached them previously about increasing the budget for the fireworks displays from \$10,000.00 per year to \$20,000.00 per year. She was asking that those increased funds be included in the current proposed budget. The Mayor responded that he thought that had been done and then asked her had not she set up a separate entity over the fireworks displays. She advised that she has created a 501-C for the fireworks. After further discussion, the Mayor advised that the requested funds would be in the budget. Next, Linda Bell made comments on behalf of her mother, who is a long time Town of Vidalia resident, on Agenda Item No. 4, concerning the appointment of Mayor Pro Tem. There followed an extended discussion of the position of Mayor Pro Tem. Ms. Bell went on to explain that she is here in support of retaining Alderman Gardner as Mayor Pro Tem and her reasons for doing so. Next, Ruby Woodfork spoke to the Board stating that she is a long time resident of Vidalia and that while she does not live in Robert's district, she has had dealings with him and spoke in support of him. Next, Thomasina Hill made her comments on the issue of Mayor Pro Tem. She first had questions about the term of Mayor Pro Tem and, after the Mayor's response, there was a series of questions about why the matter was being placed on the agenda. There being no further comments, the Mayor closed the floor for public comments.

Agenda Item No. 1 was the presentation of the financial statement for March, 2022. The Mayor called on the Municipal Accountant, Debra Moak, CPA, who presented the financial statement. As customary, she began by explaining the various fund balances, which summaries included a comparison of actual expenses to budget expenses. The summary sheets, previously given to the Aldermen, were reviewed in detail, and she reported on the various positive and negative fund balances and indicated the net changes in the various funds through March 31, 2022. She then reminded the Aldermen that those statements were provided to them in their meeting packet. Mrs. Moak then advised that the Town revenues are under budget but that the Sales Tax collections remain higher and are over budget and she advised that the Town is still working with FEMA to recover emergency work and debris removal costs caused by the 2021 Winter Storm. She concluded by telling the Board that the Town continues working on the budget for FY 2022-2023, which budget is not included in the packet but will be sent to the members for their review and public inspections next week. There being no questions or comments, the Mayor thanked Mrs. Moak for her usual thorough presentation.

Agenda Item No. 2 was Board discussion and vote on approval of occupational license applications. The only application was by Samantha Pruitt for "VIDALIA PAWN, LLC" for change of ownership at 1624 Carter Street. There being no questions or comments, on motion for approval by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Betts, and unanimously carried, the application was approved.

Agenda Item No. 3 was Board discussion and vote on approval of sign applications. The only application was by Dennis Cooper for "DC AG LLC" at 903 Carter Street, for a sign to advertise "DC AG LLC" at 903 Carter Street in accordance with the attached illustrations. The sign will be lighted. There being no questions or comments, on motion for approval by Alderman Probst, seconded by Alderman Betts, and unanimously carried, the application was approved.

Agenda Item No. 4 was Board discussion and vote on appointment of Mayor Pro Tempore for Town of Vidalia, Louisiana. The Mayor, after advising the Board of the purpose of Agenda Item 4, he turned the meeting over to Alderman Smith, who had requested that the item be on the agenda. Alderman Smith then spoke to the Board and told them of his reasons for wanting to change the Mayor Pro Tem and wanting to nominate Jon Betts. He further explained that he felt that Mr. Betts is best qualified to be in charge of the Town should the Mayor be absent and that in light of recent events, Alderman Gardner might not be who we need to run the Town. Following his presentation, Alderman Smith made a motion that Alderman Betts be Mayor Pro Tem. The motion was seconded by Alderman Betts. A roll call vote was called and the roll call vote was as follows: FOR: Aldermen Betts, Smith and Alderwoman Demby. NO: Aldermen Gardner and Probst. The vote was 3 FOR and 2 NO and the motion carried.

Agenda Item No. 5 was Board discussion and vote on approval of funding for 2022 Summer Youth Program (Greater Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, Pastor Raymond Riley). The Mayor began by giving an overview of the past funding for the Summer Youth Program, indicating that because of COVID the last year's monies were not spent. Alderman Gardner stated that he believed that the Board had already voted on this program and should not have to be voted on each year. Following a short discussion, the Mayor asked for a motion approving the funding. A motion was made by Alderman Gardner to approve the funding, which motion was seconded by Alderwoman Demby and unanimously carried.

Agenda Item No. 6 was presentation regarding setting up a mobile unit for cancer screenings. The Mayor introduced Myra Akers, with the Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center, who spoke to all present on the program for cancer screenings. During her presentation, she answered questions about the procedures and sites and dates. Following the presentation, the Mayor thanked Ms. Akers and told those present of his belief in the importance of early screening.

Agenda Item No.7 was Board discussion and vote on approval of a Resolution of support of the Community Water Enrichment Fund for fiscal year 2022-2023. The Mayor explained the reasons for the resolution and asked for a motion. Motion to approve the Resolution of support, as presented, was made by Alderman Betts, seconded by Alderman Smith, and unanimously carried.

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