

# MINUTES AD HOC ELECTION SUBCOMMITTEE STATE BOND COMMISSION March 16, 2020 8:00 AM - SENATE COMMITTEE ROOM A State Capitol Building

#### Call to Order and Roll Call

The items listed on the Agenda are incorporated and considered to be a part of the minutes herein.

Treasurer Schroder called the meeting to order. Then Ms. Snell called the roll.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Honorable R. Kyle Ardoin, Secretary of State (arrived during discussion of items 3-19, excluding item 13)

Mr. Craig Cassagne, representing Attorney General Jeffrey Landry

Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate (arrived during discussion of items 3-19, excluding item 13)

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House

Honorable John M. Schroder, State Treasurer

# **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

#### Approval of the minutes of the July 9, 2019 Ad Hoc Election Subcommittee meeting.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Mr. Craig Cassagne, representing Attorney General Jeffery Landry and without objection, the minutes were approved.

## Local Government Units - Elections (May 9, 2020)

Ms. Folse provided a synopsis on items 3 through 19, excluding item 13.

#### L20-071 - Acadia and St. Landry Parishes, Acadia-St. Landry Hospital Service District

10.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2020-2029, acquiring, constructing, improving, equipping, maintaining and/or operating new and existing hospital, health care and related facilities and recruiting physicians and other health care professionals.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

# 4. L20-038 - Acadia Parish, Drainage District No. 1, Ward 4

6.32 mills tax, 10 years, 2021-2030, acquiring, constructing, maintaining and operating gravity drainage works

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

#### 5. L20-100 - Allen Parish Police Jury, Road District No. 2

7.48 mills tax, 10 years, 2021-2030, constructing, improving and maintaining Parish roads and bridges.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

#### 6. L20-095 - Iberville Parish Council

3.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2022-2031, maintaining and operating public buildings.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

#### 7. L20-103 - Jefferson Parish, City of Gretna

7.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2022-2031, police protection, in voting Precincts G-001 through G-011, including Precincts G-012 and G-013 (the annexed area).

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

# 8. L20-104 - Jefferson Parish, City of Gretna

2.6 mills tax, 10 years, 2022-2031, to be distributed as follows: **(1)** 2.1 mills supplementing recreational services and **(2)** 0.5 mills social services to the aged, in voting Precincts G-001 through G-011, including Precincts G-012 and G-013 (the annexed area).

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

#### 9. L20-105 - Jefferson Parish, City of Gretna

2.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2022-2031, fire protection in voting Precincts G-001 through G-011, but excluding G-012 and G-013 (the annexed area).

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

#### 10. L20-087 - Morehouse Parish, City of Bastrop

(1) 9.73 mills tax, 20 years, 2022-2041, (a) maintaining and improving equipment and services and (b) paying salaries and operational expenses of the police department; (2) 9.73 mills tax, 20 years, 2022-2041, maintaining, improving and extending sewer system; (3) 9.73 mills tax, 20 years, 2022-2041, maintaining, improving, repairing and extending streets, alleys, roadways and ditches; (4) 4.87 mills tax, 20 years, 2022-2041, operating, maintaining, improving and enlarging existing fire protection system.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

#### 11. L20-098 - Plaguemines Parish, Hospital Service District No. 1

3.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2022-2031, acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating hospital facilities and equipment, for dedicated purposes of renovating and modernizing the existing hospital facility, new construction, medical campus and site improvement, capital equipment, maintenance and repair of facilities and equipment, new service start-up expenses, and professional and regulatory fees and expenses relative to the aforementioned items.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

## 12. L20-102 - Pointe Coupee Parish School Board, School District

9.5 mills tax, 10 years, 2020-2029, giving additional support for public elementary and secondary schools, to be distributed as follows: **(1)** 5.0 mills shall be dedicated to the operation, maintenance and improvement of public school facilities, including technology services and public and non-public transportation and **(2)** 4.5 mills shall be dedicated to salaries and benefits (excluding health insurance) of teachers and other public school employees.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

#### 13. L20-068A - Richland Parish School Board, School District No. 1

Not exceeding \$24,160,000 General Obligation Bonds, in one or more series, not exceeding 8%, not exceeding 20 years, (1) acquiring and/or improving lands for building sites and playgrounds, including construction of necessary sidewalks and streets adjacent thereto, (2) purchasing, erecting and/or improving school buildings and other school related facilities and (3) acquiring necessary equipment and furnishings.

Ms. Folse provided a synopsis on item 13. Additional information was provided by Representative Francis Thompson, District 19, and Troy Richards, President, Guaranty Bank & Trust, in opposition of Item 13. C. Grant Schlueter, Bond Counsel, Foley & Judell, LLP and Bill Martin, Business Manager, Richland School Board, provided additional information. After further discussion, Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate moved disapproval, seconded by Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was not approved.

#### 14. L20-101 - St. Charles Parish Council

(1) 1.0 mill tax, 10 years, 2021-2030, (a) improving, maintaining and/or operating public buildings and (b) acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating a 911 emergency telephone system (including the payment of necessary dispatch personnel); (2) 1.01 mills tax, 10 years, 2021-2030, providing and maintaining electric lights on the streets, roads, highways, alleys and public places; (3) 4.53 mills tax, 10 years, 2021-2030, maintaining, operating, constructing, improving and supporting public libraries.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

# 15. L20-099 - St. James Parish School Board, School District No. 1

6.04 mills tax, 10 years, 2021-2030, giving additional support to public schools.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

# 16. L20-075 - St. Landry Parish Council, Road District No. 2, Ward 1

10.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2020-2029, **(1)** constructing, improving, maintaining and operating public roads and bridges, including the purchase of equipment and **(2)** shall the proceeds from the levy of this tax be used to pay for the cost of holding the special election.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

# 17. L20-096 - St. Martin Parish Council, Road District No. 1, Sub-Road District No. 1

6.46 mills tax, 10 years, 2020-2029, improving and maintaining roads.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

# 18. L20-025A - St. Mary Parish School Board

0.45% sales tax, 5 years, beginning July 1, 2020, supplement salaries and benefits for teachers and other personnel.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

## 19. L20-084 - Terrebonne Parish, Recreation District No. 4

6.91 mills tax, 10 years, 2021-2030, constructing, maintaining and operating recreational facilities.

Representative Phillip DeVillier, representing the Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator Bret Allain, representing the President of the Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

#### **Other Business**

#### 20. Adjourn

On the motion of the Chairman and without any objection, the meeting was adjourned.

(A verbatim transcript in specific order items were considered is available with the Bond Commission.)