

MINUTES

**Livingston Parish Finance Committee
May 23, 2024**

Pursuant to notice duly posted in the public lobby of the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, the Livingston Parish Finance Committee met on Thursday, June 27th, 2024, at the hour of five – thirty (5:30) p.m. with the following members present:

John Mangus – Chair
Lonnie Watts
Joseph Erdey
Ricky Goff

Also Present: Mickey McMorris, Finance Director
Randy Delatte, Parish President

The Chair started with a prayer and the Pledge.

The Chair called the meeting to order and called roll.

The Chair addressed the agenda item, “Old Business.”

Having none “Old Business” to discuss the Chair moved on to the next item, “New Business.”

- a. Discussion of an extension of the audit – Mickey McMorris

Mr. Tommy LeJeune with Faulk & Winkler, auditor, came to the podium to explain that they submitted to the Legislative Auditor for an extension for the Audit that is due Monday, July 1st, 2024. He stated that once the new administration took over there was an abrupt transition of staffing, normally there would be a slower change since there is a lot of knowledge to transfer over. They also found that in terms of critical reconciliations that needed to be done weren't in a timely manner that this administration inherited from the previous administration.

The Chair, Mr. Mangus, just wanted to go on record and say, “that it is not Mr. Micky McMorris or his staff that did this.”

Mr. LeJeune states that is correct and because of that there were many things that the parish has to catch up with during this fiscal year. He states that they should finish the work in the next two weeks and have it all finalized before they show the findings.

Mr. Mangus wanted to be clear that this is not going to cost anymore money and that it is just an extension.

Mr. LeJeune has expressed to his staff the urgency that this needs to get done, he is hopeful that they will have all the information to present to the Council the first meeting in August.

Councilman Ricky Goff asked will this put the Parish out of compliance? Mr. LeJeune stated that it would being the audit law requires you to be done within six months of your fiscal year, so technically it would be a compliance finding. Since they have sent the letter for an extension it should not be a problem since they are being transparent with the state.

Mr. McMorris wanted to thank Mr. LeJeune and his staff and to Ms. Gail Housley for all the work she has put into this and that we should be proud of the fantastic job she has done.

Mr. Goff wanted to ask if they could add the millages that would be rolled forward at the next finance meeting to be talked about.

The Chair asked if there was any other business to discuss.

Having no other business to come before the committee, it was moved and agreed that the Livingston Parish Finance Committee adjourn.

MOTION was made by Lonnie Watts and seconded by Joseph Erdey; the meeting was adjourned.

1st Caroline Lockhart

Caroline Lockhart, Deputy Clerk

1st John Mangus

John Mangus, Chair