

MINUTES

**Livingston Parish Finance Committee
July 25, 2024**

Pursuant to notice duly posted in the public lobby of the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, the Livingston Parish Finance Committee met on Thursday, July 25th, 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.

Mr. Mangus wanted to mention Mr. Bob Ferguson, of Watson, who passed away recently. He was a former Mayor of the Town of Maurice and a member of Immaculate Conception Church, Men’s Club, and Knights of Columbus as well. He will be missed.

Mr. Mickey McMorris, Finance Director, wanted to speak about item 6a. Attorney(s) Expense Update. He stated that the expenses that were previously given to the Council have not changed, but he did present the new bills that have been generated. The Parish bills the attorneys monthly, and they have not acquired the July bill, but he expects a substantial bill from the Maley Law Firm. Mr. McMorris provided the Committee Members with a synopsis of the cases that the Parish has currently.

Mr. Mangus asked about how the new batteries and generators at the Communication’s Tower and Administration’s Office are working since they were installed. Mr. McMorris states that both are working well, and they expect to get more generators for the Health Unit with grants that they have applied for.

Mr. Mangus also asked about the pump for the chiller that went out. Mr. McMorris explained that one pump malfunctioned and caused the other to break. Mr. McMorris also stated that the pumps were still under warranty and would be at no cost to the Parish to replace.

Mr. Watts asked if they have started work on the Jail roof yet. Parish President, Randy Delatte, stated that they have patched some small areas and intend on fixing the rest of the roof shortly.

Mr. McMorris spoke about how the Audit of the Parish is complete and they should be able to present everything at the next Council Meeting.

The Chair addressed the agenda item, “6. New Business”

a. Attorney(s) Expense Update – Ricky Goff

Mr. Goff wants to put this back on the next finance meeting so that they can provide the current budget that they have for Legal Expenses. Mr. McMorris said the budget was \$250,000 and the Council extended that budget by \$114,000 at the last Council Meeting.

Mr. Mangus also wanted to thank Mr. Goff for wanting to serve on the Finance Committee.

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

1st Raven Watts

Raven Watts, Deputy Clerk

1st John Mangus

John Mangus, Chair