

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF ST. MARTINVILLE, LOUISIANA
HELD ON THE 2nd DAY OF MARCH, 2026.

The Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Martinville, Louisiana met in Regular Session on the 2nd day of March 2026 at City Hall, their regular meeting place, pursuant to the call of the Mayor.

THERE were present: Jason Willis, Mayor

Mike Fuselier, Councilman

Carol Frederick, Councilwoman

Jonas Fontenette, Councilman

Janise Anthony, Councilwoman

Allan L. Durand, City Attorney

THERE were absent: Flo Chatman, Councilwoman

Mayor Jason Willis presiding called the meeting to order.

It was moved by Councilman Fontenette duly seconded by Councilwoman Anthony and unanimously carried that the minutes of the regular meeting held February 16, 2026, hereby be approved for publication in the Teche News, the Official Journal of the City of St. Martinville.

It was moved by Councilman Fontenette duly seconded by Councilwoman Anthony and unanimously carried that the discussion of purchasing four police units from City of New Iberia be added to the agenda of this meeting.

Nicole Angelle of St. Martin Parish School District presented information to Mayor and Council regarding Early Childhood Programs available to families of the Parish.

It was moved by Councilman Fontenette duly seconded by Councilman Fuselier and unanimously carried that based on evidence of individuals entering the structure owned by Myndal James and Jennifer Munro located at 440 S. Vivier Street without permission be declared a nuisance as a result of hazard to public safety. There have been reports of individuals starting fires inside the structure for warmth, which pose a significant risk to the neighborhood. It was further decided that the City shall board up the doors and windows to prevent further unauthorized entry. The cost to take such action will be added to annual property taxes and a lien will be placed on the property.

Blair Boudreaux, owner of the dilapidated structure located at 215 Honore Street, reported to the council that the structure is scheduled to be demolished sometime during the week of March 9, 2026.

It was moved by Councilwoman Anthony duly seconded by Councilman Fuselier and unanimously carried that an additional 90 days be granted to remove debris from 211 Hyacinth, owned by Emile Ledet.

Upon motion of Councilman Fontenette , duly seconded by Councilwoman Anthony, the following resolution was offered:

RESOLUTION

A resolution accepting responsibility of the required local match for the City St. Martinville Improvements Project for Main Street-Hwy 31 as part of La Dotd - Transportation Alternatives Program.

WHEREAS, the St. Martinville Main Street-Hwy 31 project would enhance approximate 5 mile area by providing safe and improved access for bikers and walkers from city limit to city limit while furthering the comprehensive vision for revitalization of Main Street and its emerging Town Center;

WHEREAS, the Main Street-Hwy 31 Project is part of the approved St. Martin Walkable Community Audit which was developed with parish-wide community input; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Martinville desires and is committed to improving the quality of life of its residents by implementing transportation mobility improvements which foster safe and comfortable transportation, promote a healthy lifestyle, protect the environment, provide connectivity between neighborhoods, parks and commercial centers, and integrate walking and biking alternatives into the transportation network.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Martinville City Council, the governing authority of said municipality:

SECTION 1. That the City of St. Martinville will serve as local sponsor and prepare and submit an application for Transportation Alternative Program projects in accordance with the DOTD's Transportation Alternatives Information.

SECTION 2. That the City of St. Martinville is requesting eligible construction costs to be shared as 90% Federal funding and 10% local sponsor funds.

SECTION 3. That the City of St. Martinville will provide ongoing maintenance with its existing work force and accept liability for the pedestrian facilities.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

- YEAS: M.Fuselier, C.Frederick, J.Fontenette and J.Anthony
NAYS: None
ABSENT: F.Chatman

The resolution was declared to be adopted on this the 2nd day of March, 2026.

I, LORRIE M. POIRIER, CLERK, City of St. Martinville, Louisiana do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Martinville in Regular Session convened this 2nd day of March, 2026, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

GIVEN UNDER MY OFFICIAL SIGNATURE AND SEAL OF OFFICE THIS 2nd DAY OF MARCH, 2026.

Seal

LORRIE M. POIRIER, CLERK
CITY OF ST. MARTINVILLE

It was moved by Councilwoman Frederick duly seconded by Councilwoman Anthony and unanimously carried that Mayor Willis be authorized to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with St Martin Parish Government relating to Durand Subdivision Phase II Drainage Improvement Project (Olivier Lane and Stephanie Drive Outfall Improvements) Phase I.

Councilman Fuselier requested to table his agenda item to discuss 116 Main Street.

It was moved by Councilman Fontenette duly seconded by Councilwoman Anthony and unanimously carried that Mayor Willis be authorized to purchase four 2017 Ford Explorer police units from the City of New Iberia at \$5,000.00 per unit. The funds will be taken out of the Police Department budget.

Mayor's Report

*Evangeline Lift Station is working properly

An invoice will be submitted to SMP Government for expenses incurred due to damages caused by SMP Jail

*Electrical bills are high this month due to fuel charge resulting from the recent ice storm

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and City Council, Mayor Willis adjourned the meeting upon motion of Councilwoman Anthony and duly seconded by Councilman Fuselier

JASON WILLIS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LORRIE M POIRIER, CITY CLERK