

CITY OF PINEVILLE, LOUISIANA
PUBLIC HEARING & COUNCIL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

Mayor Rich Dupree and the Council of the City of Pineville, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 910 Main Street, Pineville, Louisiana

1. The Mayor called the meeting to order
2. Former Assembly of God State District Superintendent, Doug Fulenwider, gave the invocation
3. Councilman Bouchie led the Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call

Present:	District 1	Councilwoman Mary Galloway
	District 2	Councilman Kevin Dorn
	District 3	Councilwoman Christy Frederic
	District 4	Councilman Tom Bouchie
	District 5	Councilman Nathan Martin
Absent:	NONE	
5. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Martin to accept the minutes of the August 9, 2022 meeting as published. The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
6. A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilwoman Galloway to accept the financial report as read by Finance Director, Paige Weatherford. The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
7. The Mayor made a special presentation to recognize former City of Pineville employee, now retired, Mr. Al Peychaud, for his 12 plus years of dedicated and selfless service to the City of Pineville Youth Center.
8. Zoning Commission Report: Zoning Commissioner, Mr. Tom David, stated that it was the Zoning Commission's recommendation to approve a petition for annexation of 1.45 acres of property located at 3307 Military Highway, belonging to Durand Family Investments LLC. Mr. David noted the petitioner requested to be zoned as C-1, but the Zoning Commission recommends the property to be zoned as R-2. City Administration confirmed that R-2 zoning is acceptable. The motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilman Martin to approve the recommendation as requested. The floor was opened for public comment.
On vote, the motion carried. Roll call was as follows:

Yea:	Councilpersons Galloway, Dorn, Frederic, Bouchie, Martin
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None
9. Zoning Commission Report: Mr. Tom David stated the petitioner withdrew the request for the rezoning of property located at 0 Ocho Rios Drive, belonging to Diamond H Inc, from C-1 to C-2. Therefore, no action is required at this time.
 - Mayor Dupree reminded those in attendance that if any further petitions are submitted to the Council regarding this property, proper notifications will be made to the public.
 - Mr. Doug Fulenwider expressed gratitude, on behalf of the homeowners in the Ocho Rios Subdivision, toward City leaders for the careful concern shown toward the citizens.
10. A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Galloway to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, Louisiana Christian University has two appointments to the Pineville Civil Service Board; and

WHEREAS, the current three-year term for Daniel Wilburn expired on the 29th day of July 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City Council needs to confirm the re-appointment of Daniel Wilburn to a new three-year term to prevent a board vacancy.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby confirm the re-appointment of Daniel Wilburn to serve on the Pineville Civil Service Board effective the 30th day of July 2022, in a new three-year term that will expire on the 29th day of July 2025.

The floor was opened for public comment.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

11. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, Louisiana Christian University has two appointments to the Pineville Civil Service Board; and

WHEREAS, the current three-year term for Lawrence Foster expired on the 29th day of July 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City Council needs to confirm the re-appointment of Lawrence Foster to a new three-year term to prevent a board vacancy.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby confirm the re-appointment of Lawrence Foster to serve on the Pineville Civil Service Board effective the 30th day of July 2022, in a new three-year term that will expire on the 29th day of July 2025.

The floor was opened for public comment.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

12. A motion was made by Councilwoman Galloway and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the economic development organization, Louisiana Central has one commissioner appointment to the Pineville Downtown Development District Board; and

WHEREAS, current commissioner, Greg Wright is rotating off the Board, therefore creating a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Pineville City Council needs to confirm the appointment of a new commissioner to fill the vacancy.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pineville City Council does hereby confirm the appointment of Denise Jeansonne as a commissioner on the Pineville Downtown Development District Board in a four-year term that will expire on the 13th day of September 2026.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Ms. Jeansonne expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve. She is the owner of Southbound Spirits on Melrose Street.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

13. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie an seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the economic development organization, North Rapides Business and Industry Alliance has one commissioner appointment to the Pineville Downtown Development District Board; and

WHEREAS, current commissioner, Jim White is rotating off the Board, therefore creating a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Pineville City Council needs to confirm the appointment of a new commissioner to fill the vacancy.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pineville City Council does hereby confirm the appointment of Mike Tudor as a commissioner on the Pineville Downtown Development District Board in a four-year term that will expire on the 13th day of September 2026.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mr. Tudor expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

14. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie an seconded by Councilman Martin to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the Pineville City Council is the governing body of the City of Pineville; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department, Public Works, Youth Center, Recreation and City Hall Administration have requested approval from the Pineville City Council to declare the following items as surplus property to dispose of; and

WHEREAS, the Pineville City Council has the authority to declare items as surplus that are no longer deemed necessary or adequate to properly perform the duties of the city government as prescribed by law.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to surplus the following items that are no longer useable by the City of Pineville, so that they can be sold, auctioned, donated or disposed of as necessary.

Dept	Item	Make	Model	Serial No.
Fire Dept	Safe	Schwab Safe Co.	Single Door	A674656
Fire Dept	Safe	Meilink Steel Safe Co.	Two Door	691469
Fire Dept	Safe	Unknown	Tall Two Door	Unknown
Fire Dept	Safe	Schwab Safe Co.	Single Door	B128141
Fire Dept	Safe	Meilink Steel Safe Co.	Single Door	Unknown
Fire Dept	Map Printer	Lanier	LW310	60400198
Water Dept	Vehicle #561	Ford	2005 F350	1FTWW32Y25EB79312
Water Dept	Vehicle #558	Ford	2007 F150	1FTRX12W17FB55450
Wastewater	Vehicle #605	Ford	2014 F-150	1FTMF1CMXEKD27165
Streets	Vehicle #363		1993 Flatbed	IHTSA2RM2PH515662
Trash	Vehicle #503	2012 International	Loader	1HTMMAAM1CH598839
Garbage	Vehicle #456	2002 International	Garbage Truck	1HTMMAAN52H547147
Beautification	Backpack Blower	Stihl	600 Z	503589719
Beautification	Side by Side	Kubota	RTV X900	A5KB2FDBJFG030100
Youth Center	Vehicle #202	2007 Van	Unknown	1FBNE31L47DB40951
Recreation	Vehicle #201	Ford	2002 F150	1FTRF17W12KC01595
Recreation	Trolley Car	Motree Shuttle Bus	2011 Tram-8	1091148
Administration	Vehicle #256	Ford	2008 Fusion	3FAHP07178R135765
Administration	(4) Wall Panels	Gray Partitions	Unknown	Unknown
Administration	(2) Office Chairs	GF Sturgis	5085W274	Unknown

The floor was opened for public comment.
On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

15. A motion was made by Councilwoman Galloway and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City's Capital Improvement Program includes a project to restore and renovate the Historical Architectural elements of the Main Street Pineville Senior Citizens Center, being formerly the Pineville Downtown U.S. Post Office; and

WHEREAS, Pan American Engineers, LLC, has recommended that a contract for the identified exterior improvements be awarded to Southern Craftsman Construction in the amount of \$124,300.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract for said construction is hereby awarded to Southern Craftsman Construction, LLC, for \$124,300.00;

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute contracts and change orders between the City of Pineville and the Contractor. The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mayor Dupree stated the contractor is the same contractor performing the remodel work to the inside of the Senior Citizens Center.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

16. A motion was made by Councilwoman Galloway and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, Title 2 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides that cities, towns, parishes, and other political subdivisions of this State may separately or jointly acquire, establish, construct, expand, own, lease, control, equip, improve, maintain, operate, regulate, and police airports and landing fields for the use of aircraft; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development, Division of Aviation (formerly the LA DOTD-OAPT) is charged by Title 2 with the responsibility for the development of aviation facilities within the State to foster air commerce and to safeguard the interests of those engaged in all phases of the aviation industry and of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville hereinafter referred to as "Sponsor", has completed an FAA and DOTD approved Master Plan, Action Plan, and/or Airport Layout Plan which outlines the specific future development of the Pineville Municipal Airport; and, the Sponsor is desirous of implementing a portion of the approved Plan recommendations which provide for the critically needed improvements as stated below

to substantially improve the safety and usability of the Airport, but does not have sufficient funds of its own required for completing the needed improvements; and

WHEREAS, the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation is authorized by Title 2 to expend funds for the construction or enlargement of airports for the safety and advancement of aeronautics.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

SECTION I

That the Sponsor does hereby formally request that the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation provide funds required to complete the airport improvements at the Pineville Municipal Airport specifically as described in the Capital Improvement Program Application for State Financial Assistance to be dated October 2022.

SECTION II

That said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation be and is hereby assured that all necessary servitudes, rights-of-way, rights of ingress and egress and means thereof will be furnished by the Sponsor and the titles thereto will be valid and indefeasible, and that the Sponsor will assume ownership, financial reporting, and complete responsibility for the maintenance and upkeep of the airport after completion of said improvement.

SECTION III

That the Sponsor will save and hold the said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from any liability or claim for damages arising out of the project, including death or injuries to third parties including, but not limited to, liability or claim for damages out of the negligence of said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation, its officers, agents, or employees, and expressly agrees to defend any suite of any nature brought against the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation as a result of this project.

SECTION IV

That the Mayor of the Sponsor be and is hereby authorized and directed to evidence this agreement by affixing his signature at the place provided therefore on this Resolution and on subsequent related documents/agreements as required by the rules and regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration and the State of Louisiana and the Clerk is hereby authorized to attest said execution.

SECTION V

That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption. The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mayor Dupree stated this is a 5-Year Plan that is updated annually and Pan American Engineers handles the submission to the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

17. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has received Capital Outlay funding from the Louisiana State Legislature totaling \$1,000,000 for early project expenses and costs related to the Consolidated Municipal and Court Complex Project; and

WHEREAS, upon the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana related to funding of this public infrastructure project, the City will need to initiate surveys, programming, design services, etc., for the development of public bid and contract documents; and

WHEREAS, the City has been working with the Architectural Firm of Ashe Broussard Weinzettle Architects; with assistance from Pan American Engineers, LLC, on preliminary program planning, cost estimates, and funding opportunities; and

WHEREAS, to move the project to the plan development stage, the City intends to enter into a contract for Professional Services for this project with Ashe Broussard Weinzettle Architects.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract for required design services for the Consolidated Municipal and Court Complex Project with Ashe Broussard Weinzettle Architects; with Pan American Engineers LLC, as a subcontractor. The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mayor Dupree stated Senator Jay Luneau has secured around \$11.5M for this complex to house our Municipal Court and Public Safety Departments. This is not for a new City Hall. This complex will meet the desperate needs of a new facility for the Court and Police/Fire Departments.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

18. A motion was made by Councilwoman Galloway and seconded by Councilman Dorn to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has been informed that the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Community Development will be accepting applications for FY2022-2023 Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to submit an LGAP Application for Town Wide Fire Hydrant Repairs and Replacement and to execute all assurances and certifications required for the application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to work with the City Engineer, Pan American Engineers, LLC, on the development of the LGAP Application.

The floor was opened for public comment.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

19. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has been informed that the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Community Development will be accepting applications for FY2022-2023 Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to submit a CWEF Application for College Park Subdivision Water Main Replacement, New Services, and Fire Hydrants and to execute all assurances and certifications required for the application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to work with the City Engineer, Pan American Engineers, LLC, on the development of the CWEF Application.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mayor Dupree stated this is a project we have been working for a couple years as we are able to get the funding from the grant.
- Mr. David stated we are almost ready to transfer services and this might be the last phase of the project, depending on how much money is awarded.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

20. A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilwoman Galloway to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville intends to submit an FY2023 Application for funding under the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program for Streets; and

WHEREAS, the LCDBG regulations provide that two (2) additional ranking points can be secured if an applicant agrees to pay for all related non-construction fees; including topographical surveys, geotechnical investigations, engineering services, observation of construction, etc.; and

WHEREAS, because of the competitive nature of the LCDBG Program, it is believed that as a strategy to improve the City's rating for grant funds it is advisable to make the financial commitment to locally provide the funds for these costs and thereby utilizing LCDBG funds, if awarded, only for construction costs; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated the expenses that are non-construction and related to the technical services required for LCDBG would total approximately 15 percent of the amount of grant funds awarded; excluding grant administration and technical assistance services, which are considered as a separate category in the LCDBG Program.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City hereby obligates and commits, as part of the LCDBG application process, to pay for topographical surveys, geotechnical investigations, engineering services, observation of construction, and miscellaneous related costs all in an effort to raise the competitiveness of the City's LCDBG application by securing two (2) additional points in the rating process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Pan American Engineers, LLC, is hereby selected to provide the required engineering services for fees in accordance with LCDBG guidelines; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby directed to include a copy of this resolution in the project file related to the LCDBG application to serve as documentation as to the City's commitment to obligate itself to pay for all related non-construction fees; including topographical surveys, geotechnical investigations, engineering services, observation of construction, etc. utilizing local funds, when and if the LCDBG Application is awarded.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mr. David stated because of recent changes with this grant money, the grant is much more competitive as many cities around the State apply to receive money for streets. We can get extra points in the application process if the City will put up this cost. We can expect to compete with about 200 municipalities and the

State will probably fund about 20-30 applicants. These street improvements have to be made to low/moderate income areas. If a grant is awarded, it will probably be this time next year before we receive anything.

- Mayor Dupree stated that it has been a long time since LCDBG funds were available for street projects. We do have some money budgeted for streets, but if we can get this, we will be able to dedicate it to streets and spread the other dollars around to better serve the community.
- Additionally, the Mayor recognized Mr. David and Pan American Engineers for recently being awarded the Roy O Martin Best Overall Business Award at the Central Louisiana Regional Chamber of Commerce Bizzy Awards annual event.
- Ms. Denise Jeansonne asked if any particular area has already been identified for grant submission? Mr. David responded that nothing has been identified yet. We will have to find the streets in the worse condition and concentrate the effort in the low/moderate income areas. This grant will be more about how many citizens, in the area where street repairs are needed, will benefit from the grant.
- Mayor Dupree stated that he and the Council Members have been meeting and driving through each district to identify streets that need work and houses that need to be condemned. Then each district will be compiled into one list. Then the streets will be separated by which ones can potentially be included in the application for this grant and which ones will be funded with the normal budget process. Each Council Member will rank their district streets and the entire list will be turned over to Pan American Engineers for final determination.
- Ms. Celeste Mobley asked what are the parameters for the amount of money that will be committed by the City for this grant. Mr. David replied the amount is proportionate to what is rewarded, which is usually about 15 percent.
- Mayor Dupree stated the maximum we can apply for is \$1.8M, so in that case the City's match would be around \$250K.
- Councilman Dorn asked about how many miles of road would \$1.8M repair. Mr. David did some quick math to estimate about \$230K per mile, which equates to approximately 7-8 miles.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

21.. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville has been informed that the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, CDBG Section will be accepting applications for FY2023 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Pineville hereby commits a sum, not to exceed \$50,000, for technical assistance, administration and grant application fees, if funded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Pan American Engineers, LLC, is hereby selected to provide the required technical assistance, administration and grant application services for fees in accordance with LCDBG guidelines; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby directed to include a copy of this resolution in the project file related to the LCDBG application to serve as documentation as to the City's commitment to obligate itself to pay for all technical assistance, administration and grant application services, etc., utilizing local funds, when and if the LCDBG Application is awarded.

The floor was opened for public comment.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

22. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville would like to make asphalt roadway improvements to Pinecrest Drive and Lofton Drive; and

WHEREAS, the improvements are estimated to cost approximately \$450,000; and

WHEREAS, both Pinecrest Drive and Lofton Drive are located in the Rapides Parish Police Jury District 10A, whose residents are subject to tax whose specific intent is the improvement of roads within the road district.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Rapides Parish Police Jury for shared payment of the improvements on Pinecrest Drive and Lofton Drive; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign necessary documents to enter into such agreement.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mayor Dupree stated the Rapides Parish Police Jury passed a Resolution to appropriate \$225,000 toward this project. Our Resolution will authorize the City to pay the remaining cost.
- Mr. Mike Tudor asked will the State come back to paint the intersection of Pinecrest Drive and Military Highway after the project is complete? Mayor Dupree replied that the City will request it as part of the project.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

23. A motion was made by Councilwoman Galloway and seconded by Councilman Dorn to add the following structures to the condemnation list:

107 Anderson Street
 305 Andrew Street
 306 Andrew Street
 330 Andrew Street
 303 Baker Street
 323 Baker Street
 1409 Jeannie Street
 206 Lakeview Street (Apartments)
 212 Lakeview Street
 218 Lakeview Street
 1501 Military Highway
 612 Monette Street
 101 Olive Street
 300 Pelican Drive
 601 Pelican Drive
 107 Riverside Drive
 307 Stephen Street
 309 Stephen Street

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mayor Dupree stated this is the first step in the process to have the property owner either upgrade the structure or demolish it. If the City does have to demolish the structure, liens will be placed on the property. The City will work on 3-4 structures at a time.
- Councilwoman Frederic stated that we have been much more aggressive in identifying/tackling the blight in our community since 2017. She asked those in attendance to be patient as we continue to work through this very difficult process and let us know if something is seen that needs attention, so we can address it.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

-- A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Council Martin to add item #24 to the agenda, to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana for the Cedar Lake Pump Station Reconstruction project.

The floor was opened for public comment.

On vote, the motion carried. Roll call was as follows:

Yea:	Councilpersons Galloway, Dorn, Frederic, Bouchie, Martin
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

24. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Dorn to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville and the State of Louisiana wish to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for Cedar Lake Pump Station Reconstruction, Pineville LA, Planning and Construction (Rapides) (FP&C Project No. 50-MN3-21-01).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the City of Pineville in all matters pertaining to this project, including executing the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement, certifying requests for State disbursement, etc.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mr. David stated this project has been on the Capital Outlay List since the State Legislature ended its session. We just received the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement from the State in the amount of \$580,000 for this project and we wish to get started.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

-- A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to add item #25 to the agenda, to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana for the Consolidated Municipal and Court Complex project.

The floor was opened for public comment.

On vote, the motion carried. Roll call was as follows:

Yea:	Councilpersons Galloway, Dorn, Frederic, Bouchie, Martin
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

25. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to approve a resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Pineville and the State of Louisiana wish to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for Consolidated Municipal and Court Complex, Pineville LA, Planning and Construction (Rapides) (FP&C Project No. 50-MN3-22-01).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the City of Pineville in all matters pertaining to this project, including executing the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement, certifying requests for State disbursement, etc.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mr. David stated this project has been on the Capital Outlay List since the State Legislature ended its session. We just received the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement from the State in the amount of \$1M for this project and we wish to get started.
- Ms. Debra Gunter asked where is the planned location of this new complex? Mayor Dupree replied the location is still in planning...the Administration is committed to the downtown area. We have land along Reagan Street that stretches from the corner of Main/ Reagan to College Drive. The conceptual drawing is for City Hall to remain in place with upgrades. While the majority of the funds will go toward a two-story building (in concept) where the present Courthouse sits that will house Public Safety and the Court. The complex will have green space and be nicely landscaped.
- Mr. Brett Dupuy asked how much money does the City have to match to receive the funds from the State to build this complex? Mr. David responded the match is 25 percent of the amount provided by the State. Mayor Dupree added the match amount would be around \$2.5M over the course of the entire project.



On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The floor was opened for public comment and the following heard:

- Madonna LeBlanc, Special Events Coordinator announced the following events:
 - Fall Fest is scheduled for October 27, 2022, from 6pm – 8pm, at Kees Park.
 - 5th Saturday Market on Main is scheduled for October 29, 2022, from 9am – 2pm. It will again start at Barrett Street and stretch as far as the vendors toward Shamrock Street.
 - Friday, November 11, 2022, we will host the annual VA Medical Center's Veteran's Day Parade. The planned parade route is on Main Street, starting at the flag pole on the riverfront and end at Shamrock Street.
 - The Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 9, 2022.
 - Christmas In The Pines is scheduled for Saturday, December 10, 2022, from 2pm – 7pm. This event will be similar to the 5th Saturday Market.
 - The Mardi Gras Parade is scheduled for February 10, 2023.
- Ms. Angelina Iles announced she is running in the Nov 2022, special election for District D Representative on the Rapides Parish Police Jury, to finish the term of Theodore Fontaine.
- Mr. Rob Stewart, sailing coach at Louisiana Christian University, addressed the Mayor and Council regarding the draining of Lake Buhlow this summer, which resulted in the cancellation of the sailing program at the college for a month and cut the number of participants for the annual Kris Beall Memorial Regatta in half. Mayor Dupree assured Mr. Stewart that no one in the City drained the lake...it was the drought that we experienced beginning very early this summer. Mayor Dupree continued, out of concern for the lake, the City sent our team and paid engineers to check the gate multiple times this summer to ensure that no water was leaking. Mr. David added that there was never any evidence someone was tampering with the gate.

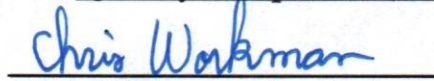
- Ms. Amanda Bryant expressed concern for weed control at Lake Buhlow. Stating the amount of weeds make it very difficult to launch a sail boat. Mayor Dupree assured Ms. Bryant the City is very aware of this issue and spent \$10K for a local weed control specialist to spray while the lake was low....so we are doing what we can within our means for weed control at Lake Buhlow.

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic. The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried. Brett Dupuy, Pastor Church on the Rock, closed the meeting with the benediction.


Rich Dupree, Mayor
Chris Workman, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, Chris Workman, Clerk for the City of Pineville, Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct record of the official action taken at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Pineville, Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, in legal session convened, on the 13th day of September, 2022.


Chris Workman, City Clerk