

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF ST. MARTINVILLE, LOUISIANA
HELD ON THE 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

The Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Martinville, Louisiana met in Regular Session on the 2nd day of June 2025 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, Councilman

Jonas Fontenette, Councilman

Janise Anthony, Councilman

Flo Chatman, Councilman

Allan L. Durand, City Attorney

THERE were absent: None

Mayor Jason Willis presiding called the meeting to order.

It was moved by Councilwoman Anthony duly seconded by Councilwoman Chatman and unanimously carried that the minutes of the regular meeting held May 19, 2025 hereby be approved for publication in the Teche News, the Official Journal of the City of St. Martinville.

Mayor Willis presented Financial Report prepared by CFO Katy Bujard.

Mayor Willis announced that the Budget Hearing set for Monday, June 2, 2025 was re-scheduled for June 16th at 4:30pm

The following ordinance to amend the Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for FY 2024-2025 was introduced:

City of St. Martinville, Louisiana

AMENDED BUDGET ORDINANCE---FYE 6/30/25

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An Ordinance adopting an Amended Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025--See attached Budget FYE 06/30/2025- Estimated Amounts.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNCILMAN OF City of St. Martinville, LOUISIANA, in general session convened that:

SECTION 1: The attached detailed estimate of Revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as an Operation Budget of Revenues for the City of St. Martinville, during the same period.

SECTION 2: The attached estimates of Expenditures by departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as a budget of Expenditures for the City of St. Martinville during the same period.

SECTION 3: The adoption of this Operating Budget of Expenditures be and the same is hereby declared to operate as an appropriation of the amount therein set forth within the terms of the budget classification.

SECTION 4: Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included with the 2024-25 budget document, presented as Estimated amounts.

SECTION 5: The Mayor of the City of St. Martinville shall have the authority to make changes within each department's operating budget to the extent that the department's total budget allocation is not modified without approval by the governing authority (Board of Councilman). Modifications which change a department's total budget allocation must be approved by the Board of Councilman. Additionally, all modifications to budgeted capital outlay must be approved by the Board of Councilman.

The above ordinance was adopted on a vote taken by yeas and nays entered on the minutes of the clerk as follows:

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

The ordinance is declared PASSED AND ADOPTED AT St. Martinville, Louisiana, on this the _____ day of June, 2025

Jason Willis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Chief Financial Officer

The following ordinance to adopt the Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for FY 2025-2026 was introduced:

CITY OF ST. MARTINVILLE, LOUISIANA
BUDGET ORDINANCE---FYE 6/30/26

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An Ordinance adopting an Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 -- See attached Budget FYE 6/30/2026.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNCILMEN OF City of St. Martinville, LOUISIANA, in general session convened that:

SECTION 1: The attached detailed estimate of Revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as an Operation Budget of Revenues for the City of St. Martinville, during the same period.

SECTION 2: The attached estimates of Expenditures by departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as a budget of Expenditures for the City of St. Martinville during the same period.

SECTION 3: The adoption of this Operating Budget of Expenditures be and the same is hereby declared to operate as an appropriation of the amount therein set forth within the terms of the budget classification.

SECTION 4: Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included with the 2024-25 budget.

SECTION 5: The Mayor of the City of St. Martinville shall have the authority to make changes within each department's operating budget to the extent that the department's total budget allocation is not modified without approval by the governing authority (Board of Councilman). Modifications which change a department's total budget allocation must be approved by the Board of Councilman. Additionally, all modifications to budgeted capital outlay must be approved by the Board of Councilman.

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YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

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Jason Willis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Chief Financial Officer

Planning & Zoning Coordinator Otis Chatman presented an inspection report from City Inspector Rodney Richard for 817 St. Martin Street, owned by Adam Filer stating the structure is if found to be a nuisance and must be renovated to standards of the 2021 International Building Code or be condemned and demolished. Following comments from Wanda Anthony, daughter of the property owner, it was moved by Councilwoman Chatman duly seconded by Councilwoman Anthony and unanimously carried that 3 months be given to property owns to demolish and remove all debris.

Upon request of CRT Director Danielle Fontenette, it was moved by Councilwoman Frederick duly seconded by Councilwoman Flo and unanimously carried that permission be granted to close New Market Street and Evangeline Blvd on Saturday, June 21st from 9:00am – 3:00pm to hold the African American Museum’s Family & Friends Day. There will be vendors but no alcohol will be sold.

Upon request of CRT Director Danielle Fontenette and Lacie Laperouse of St. Martin Parish Tourism Department, it was moved by Councilwoman Chatman duly seconded by Councilman Fontenette and unanimously carried that permission be granted to close New Market Street and Evangeline Blvd on Thursday, October 16th to hold the Grand Reveil Acadian/Great Acadian Awakening Event from 3:00pm – 8:00pm. There will be music, dancing, demonstrations and vendors. Permission to sell alcohol will be requested at a later date.

Mayor’s report

- Various Kids camps will be held throughout the summer
- SM Homeownership Town Hall meeting will be held June 11th @ 5:30pm

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 Councilwoman Chatman.

JASON WILLIS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LORRIE M POIRIER, CITY CLERK