



St. Bernard Parish Government

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Guy McInnis
Parish President

President's Report Council Meeting of Tuesday, April 19, 2016

Good Afternoon Councilmembers, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I would like to first and foremost thank the residents of St. Bernard Parish for their support by voting to renew the expiring millages. The funds that the millages provide are dedicated to specific public services and the passage of these renewals will allow Parish Government to continue vital services to the public.

The St. Bernard Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the State of the Parish luncheon tomorrow which will coincide with President's 100 Day Report. The event will be held at the Auditorium beginning at 11:30 am. Tickets can be purchased from the Chamber at the door. Information will be presented on the visions, accomplishments and goals the Administration has been working towards.

I would like to thank the entire Road Department as well as the St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office for their many hours of tireless work in ensuring public safety by sandbagging a mile and a half of Delacroix Highway and building a rock damn across Florissant Highway to fight the effects of the of the high tide brought in by the East wind.

The Italian, Irish, Islesnos parade was outstanding this past week-end. It's always a great family event for everyone in St. Bernard Parish. Fire Chief Thomas Stone and his wife, Lauren Stone presided as King and Queen. The Fire and Sheriff's Department did an outstanding job of paving the way for another safe event in our Parish. I would also like to thank the Road Department for all of their efforts in cleaning after the parade.

St. Bernard Day at the Capitol is just around the corner. It's an opportunity for business leaders and community members to speak with legislators about important issues affecting our community. The committee has been meeting and planning to coordinate the event which will include food, drinks, and a display of St. Bernard's finest. The event will be on Thursday, April 21 in Baton Rouge.

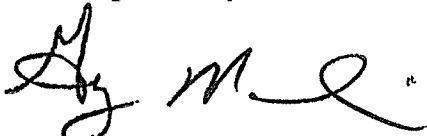
The Mosquito Control Department will continue to monitor traps that have been set throughout the Parish and aggressively monitor for the *Zika* virus.

Ms. Jacinta Arrington, a full-time Chemist has recently been employed to assist in the operational and chemical monitoring of our water. This is a first for the Parish Government and Water Treatment Division. The Water Division is updating its water lab as well as taking the first step to get the Chemist and Lab State certified for testing.

The 2016 St. Bernard Parish Rabies and Microchip Drive is set for Saturday, May 21, 2016 at the St. Bernard Parish Animal Services, located at 5455 East Judge Perez Drive in Violet. No appointment is necessary. Dog and cat owners may have their animals vaccinated against rabies and receive a rabies tag for \$15 per pet and micro chipped for identification at a cost of \$15 per pet. Parish and state laws require dogs and cats to receive rabies' vaccination every year to protect against the virus.

The Recreation Department Leisure Program had its first Sock Hop which turned out to be a great success. Approximately 300 kids attended. The Recreation Department plans to continue to have such events and Parish Government looks forward providing more activities during the summer months when kids are out of school.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Guy McInnis". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Guy McInnis
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