



St. Bernard
Parish Government

Guy McInnis
PARISH PRESIDENT

President's Report

Council Meeting of Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Good evening Council Members, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Delacroix Island Shipyard - The Delacroix Island Shipyard opened for those residents and non-residents interested in lifting commercial, recreational and oil field related vessels.

The Delacroix Island Shipyard marks the first parish owned boat lift and shipyard facility in Eastern St. Bernard Parish. The lift will provide operational assistance for various vessels. The Marine Lift has a capacity of 75 tons with the ability to safely raise boats to a length of 70 feet. This St. Bernard Parish Government owned facility is anticipated to be a game changer for commercial fisherman. This Parish owned boat lift will provide residents with more efficient lift options. The Delacroix Island Shipyard along with the Delacroix Island Fishing Pier are part of a multi-phase project focused on the Eastern St. Bernard Parish fishing industry. Many of our local residents are decedents of the Islenos whom first colonized the surrounding area.

Community Development - St. Bernard Parish Government has partnered with Water Collaborative of Greater New Orleans to host a public discussion on the future of storm water and green infrastructure in St. Bernard Parish. The forum will be held on **Wednesday, October 3rd** from **5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** at the **Maumus Center**, located at 721 Friscoville Avenue in Arabi.

Town Hall Meeting – I am hosting two Town Hall Meetings to discuss the future of Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA) in our community. The meetings will be held on **Tuesday, October 9th** in the **Gauthier Cafeteria** and **Thursday, October 11th** in the **Council Chambers**. Both events are scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. and will conclude by 8:30 p.m. It is highly recommended that all interested residents attend one or both of these discussions.

Torres Park Improvements – The public is invited to attend a ribbon cutting on **Monday, October 22nd** at **4:30 p.m.** to celebrate the new playground, fitness zone and skate park. These improvements will play an important role in the vitalization of the adjacent neighborhoods and provide additional recreational outlets for our youth.

Veterans Parade & Recognition – The annual Veterans Parade and Recognition Ceremony will be held on Sunday, November 11th at 9:30 a.m. Veterans from all branches of the military are invited to participate in the parade and ceremony. Interested Veterans should contact Maurine Liuzza at 504-278-1507.

Recreation – The Recreation Department will host Flag Football All-Star games Saturday, October 6th and the Football/Volleyball Jamboree on October 10th. Tackle Football Season begins October 13th and Volleyball Season kicks off on October 15th.

Annual Budget – On the agenda tonight is the 2019 Annual Budget. I would like to thank the Finance Department Staff for their hard work on this.

Upcoming Events in October:

6th Blues, Brews and BBQ • Docville Farm • 11am - 6pm
7th Beer for Piers • 40 Arpent Observatory • 2pm - 7pm
13th Sugar Fest • Aycock Barn • 1:00-9:00 pm
17th BPW Man & Woman of the Year Gala • The Frederick Sigur Center 6pm
19th-21st Violet Oyster Festival
20th Boo on the Bayou • Los Islenos Museum
22nd Torres Park Ribbon Cutting
24th St. Bernard Chamber Political Forum • SBPG Council Chambers • 6pm
26th Trunk or Treat • Sidney Torres Park • 6:00 p.m.
27th Battered Women's Give a Hoot Trivia Fundraiser • Docville Farm • 5 - 10pm

Sincerely,

Guy McInnis
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