



St. Bernard
Parish Government

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President's Report **Council Meeting of Tuesday, January 15, 2019**

Good afternoon Council Members, Ladies and Gentlemen:

FIRE DEPARTMENT - the Fire Department has hired 14 new firefighters under the NASA Michoud Assembly Facility (MAF) Contract. 12 firefighters started their National Standards training at the LSU State Fire Academy yesterday January 14th. This is a 14 week recruit training class, which includes certifications in Firefighting, Medical Care, Hazardous Materials Response, and Apparatus Operations. The other two firefighters already have National Firefighter certifications and are currently being trained in Fire Communications; they will be attending Industrial Fire training at Texas A&M with Valero the week of January 28th. 4 more firefighters will be hired to attend the State Academy in the Fall of 2019. The NASA Michoud Assembly Facility fire protection contract authorizes the hiring of 18 firefighters in the first two years of the agreement.

RECREATION - The Recreation Department is wrapping up basketball this week and getting ready for All-Star games on January 31st and February 1st. Softball/Baseball season will kick off in March.

NORPC - I have the honor of serving as this year's Chair of the New Orleans Regional Planning Commission. St. Bernard Parish also has other representation on the commission including Councilmembers Wanda Alcon and Howard Luna and parish residents Susan Klees and Joe Montalbano

HOMELAND SECURITY - A SKYWARN® Spotter class will be conducted on February 12th at 6:30pm in the St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Training Office located at 2118 Jackson Blvd, Chalmette. SKYWARN® spotters provide essential information for all types of weather hazards. Training is free and typically lasts about 2 hours

FILM & TV - You can watch videos from the Battle of New Orleans and other events on the Government Access Channel Cox 76 or the parish's Youtube Channel.

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