

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSVILLE, LOUISIANA
TAKEN AT THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2025 AT 6:00
PM AT YOUNGSVILLE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. OPENING

- 1.1 Invocation was led by Pastor Andy Tribe, Youngsville Community Church
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lindy Bolgiano.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Ken Ritter, Shannon D. Bares (Division A), Mayor Pro Tem Lindy Bolgiano (Division B), Matt Romero (Division C), Nicholas Niland (Division D).

ABSENT: Simone B. Champagne (Division E).

STAFF: Nicole Guidry (City Clerk), Terry Bourque (COO), Jean Paul Broussard (Police Chief), Wade Trahan (City Attorney), Cathryn Greig (CFO).

3. RECOGNITIONS/PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE MAYOR & COUNCIL

- 3.1 Mark Simon addressed the Council on an easement associated with a re-partition of property located at 813 Young Street. He expressed his opposition to the abandonment and relocation of an existing access servitude, as implied in the approved plat of survey, File No. 2023-00011602. He stated that his presence is to document issues associated with plat and guarantee his servitude rights within the 2-year statute limitation. He requested that the City of Youngsville record a correction pertaining to the implied abandonment and relocation of an existing access servitude.

Upon hearing comments from Ms. Pamela Granger-Gonzalez, Mayor Ritter stated that he is in favor of sending a letter to the surveyor and property owner to make them aware that there's question relative to the plat, to be sent via certified letter and recorded in courthouse. The letter should advise the property owner that the "proposed" language on the plat is not officially recognized as the servitude agreement was not formally abandoned.

- 3.2 Krewe De Acadian announced the BYOB (Bringing You Our Burgers) Hamburger & Hotdog Festival to be held on Sunday, April 13th at the Youngsville Sports Complex - Amphitheatre.
- 3.3 Presentation of 2025 Youngsville Mardi Gras Awards: Best Original Float - #17 Krewe de Petz; Prettiest Float - #23 The Dugas Crew; Most Spirited Float - #54 Krewe de Cane. Mayor Ritter stated that the winners would receive a discount on the entry fee for 2026 parade.

4. MINUTES

- 4.1 Approval of February 13, 2025 meeting minutes

Motion made by Lindy Bolgiano, seconded by Shannon D. Bares, approving the February 13, 2025 meeting minutes.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Lindy Bolgiano, Nicholas Niland.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: Matt Romero.

ABSENT: Simone B. Champagne.

Motion Approved.

5. FINANCE REPORT

5.1 Approval of January 2025 finance report

Motion made by Shannon D. Bares, seconded by Matt Romero, approving the January 2025 finance report.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero, Nicholas Niland.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Simone B. Champagne.

Motion Approved.

6. PRELIMINARY PLATS (PUBLIC HEARING/ACTION)

6.1 Request for Preliminary Plat approval to subdivide 703 Church Street into Lots 1-A and 1-B, located in Section 7, T11S, R5E.

Upon hearing from the developer and members of the Council, public comment was received from Rae Albarado.

Motion made by Matt Romero, seconded by Lindy Bolgiano, granting Preliminary Plat approval of 703 Church Street into Lots 1-A and 1-B, located in Section 7, T11S, R5E, with a waiver to the minimum square footage as recommended by Garrett Noel in a letter dated March 7, 2025.

YEAS: Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero, Nicholas Niland.

NAYS: Shannon D. Bares

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Simone B. Champagne.

Motion Approved.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Appointment to the Youngsville Municipal Police Civil Service Board, representing the College List Board Member, for a three-year term, from a list of applicants submitted by Dr. E. Joseph Savoie, President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, in a letter dated February 5, 2025.

Motion made by Matt Romero, seconded by Nicholas Niland, appointing Louis “Randy” Vanicor to the Youngsville Municipal Police Civil Service Board, representing the College List Board Member, for a three-year term.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero, Nicholas Niland.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT : Simone B. Champagne.

Motion Approved.

8. RESOLUTIONS

8.1 Resolution No. 2025-06 - A Resolution of the City of Youngsville declaring movable property as surplus and further authorizing disposal in accordance with state law.

Motion made by Matt Romero, seconded by Shannon D. Bares, adopting Resolution No. 2025-06.

YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero, Nicholas Niland.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Simone B. Champagne.

Resolution Approved.

9. MAYOR & COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

9.1 Mayor/Staff Announcements

- Road Projects: Fortune Rd. Ext. - 30% ahead of schedule, late spring early summer for completion. Hwy 89 – various project improvements continue. Larriviere & Fortune Rds. – DOTD planning kickoff meeting for projects. Hwy 92/Prescott Roundabout – working on surveying. Chemin Agreeable – plan to advertise for phase I this summer.
- Drainage Projects: Anslem Coulee - drainage study approved & waiting on Corps permit.
- Water/Sewer Projects: Wastewater Treatment Plant - waiting on LDH and DEQ for approval. Pump Station 4 – scheduled to be complete in one month. Pump Station 3 - Waiting on pumps, to move in within the next 2 weeks. Water Plant - 45%+ complete, to be completed in September. Sugar Mill Pond Pump Station - working on plats and plans. Water Line Interconnections - in progress in the downtown area, completion by June. Pump Station 5 – plans to be complete within a few months.
- Sports Complex: Overview of games and leagues. Southeastern Slam Volleyball Tournament is tomorrow and Saturday. MMA Event at the end of month. STM Hopefest to be held this weekend. Rotary Glow Pickleball Tournament on March 22. Easter Extravaganza on April 19. Lions Club Festival on May 10. Yoga Fest is coming in October.
- Keeping Youngsville Beautiful on April 5th. Sign up is on the City of Youngsville website.
- Youngsville Annual Chamber Banquet on April 8 – Celebrating 20 years, tickets on Chamber of Commerce website.
- Farmers Market on April 12 - to be held on the second Saturday of every month. Applications on the Chamber of Commerce website.

9.2 Council Announcements

- Mr. Romero: Community High School Seniors can apply for the Rotary Club's Annual Scholarship Award through the end of the month. He complemented the City team on the execution of Mardi Gras.
- Mr. Niland: Youngsville Chamber of Commerce scholarship closes tomorrow.

10. ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Adjourn Meeting

Motion made by Lindy Bolgiano, seconded by Matt Romero, to adjourn the meeting.
YEAS: Shannon D. Bares, Lindy Bolgiano, Matt Romero, Nicholas Niland.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINED: None.
ABSENT: Simone B. Champagne.
Motion Approved.

/s/ Nicole Guidry
Nicole Guidry, City Clerk

/s/ Ken Ritter
Ken Ritter, Mayor