

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF THIBODAUX  
CITY HALL  
THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA  
FEBRUARY 18, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Thibodaux assembled in regular session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, 310 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana, on Tuesday, February 18, 2026 at 5:00 P.M.

There were present: Councilwoman Crochet, Councilmen Bimah, Mire, and Naquin.

There were also present: Mayor Kevin Clement and Beau Brooks

Absent: Councilman Taylor

Councilman Naquin congratulated Mr. Ben Harang on his appointment as Councilman for District B following an uncontested election. Mr. Harang, of 515 Blake Court, addressed the Council and advised that his appointment will take effect at the March 3, 2026 Council meeting.

On motion of Councilwoman Bimah, seconded by Councilwoman Crochet, the Council voted to approve the minutes of the February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 City Council Meeting as written. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Crochet, Bimah, Mire, Naquin**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**ABSENT: Taylor**

In accordance with the prescribed statewide agreed-upon procedures by the Legislative Auditor, the Finance Director has submitted the monthly revenue and expense report for January 2026 to the City Council for review. No further discussion.

LA DOTD received bids for the Bowie Road Sidewalk Project from LA 1 to Ardoyne Drive, that is being constructed with funding from the Federal Highway Administration through the State DOTD. Since Federal funds are being used for the construction, the project was bid through DOTD, and the City must now concur with the low bid received by the State and authorize the Mayor to execute a construction contract that is also provided by DOTD for this project.

The lowest responsible bid was received from Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc. in the amount of \$209,826.80, and DOTD is requesting that the City concur with acceptance of the low bid and the award of the construction contract, and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract.

On motion of Councilwoman Crochet, seconded by Councilman Bimah, the council voted on a resolution accepting the low bid of Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc. for the Bowie Road Sidewalk Project – State Project No. H.015856 and authorizing the Mayor to execute the construction contract therewith. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Crochet, Bimah, Mire, and Naquin**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**ABSENT: Taylor**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2699**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF BYRON E. TALBOT CONTRACTOR, INC. FOR THE BOWIE ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT - STATE PROJECT NO. H.015856 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT THEREWITH**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that;

**WHEREAS**, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) has received bids for State Project No. H.015856 Bowie Road Sidewalk Project from LA 1 to Ardoyne Drive; and

**WHEREAS**, the low bid was received from Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc. in the amount of \$209,826.80; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to consider the acceptance of the low bid and authorize DOTD to award the contract with the said contractor for the services mentioned hereinbefore.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City does hereby accept the low bid submitted by Byron E. Talbot, Inc. in the amount stated hereinbefore.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc. for the project stated herein.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of the said contract is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS:** Crochet, Bimah, Mire, and Naquin

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINED:** None

**ABSENT:** Taylor

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 18th day of February 2026.

**/s/Jennifer Morvant**  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

**/s/Mike Naquin**  
Mike Naquin, President

Councilman Mire introduced an ordinance approving the final plat for the re-division of a tract of land owned by Lawrence Robertson Properties, LLC into lots LRP-1 and LRP-2 located on Cleveland Street as recommended by the planning and Zoning Commission at their February 4, 2026 meeting. The public hearing on this ordinance will be held at the March 3, 2026 Council meeting.

Councilwoman Crochet introduced an ordinance authorizing the mayor to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Lafourche Parish Government for the reimbursement of the costs associated with the purchase and installation of pumps for the wastewater lift station for the new Thibodaux Community Recreation and Education Center being constructed by Lafourche Parish. The public hearing on this ordinance will be held at the March 3, 2026 Council meeting.

Councilman Mire introduced an ordinance approving a Special Exception request in accordance with Section 307 of the Thibodaux Zoning Ordinance in order to

allow a three-family dwelling in a B-1 Zoning District at 722 W Bayou Road as recommended by the Thibodaux Planning and Zoning Commission at their February 4, 2026 meeting. The public hearing on this ordinance will be held at the March 17, 2026 council meeting.

Councilman Bimah has presented the Council Administrator with an email from NSU PD Chief Alex Barnes requesting the establishment of school zones on campus streets in order to better be able to enforce the hands-free regulations established in State Statute. The streets requested by Chief Barnes are NSU Alumni Dr., NSU Colonel Dr. Glenwood Dr., Ellendale Dr., Afton Dr., Leighton Dr., Ardoyne Dr. from Peltier Park to 1000 ft. east of the intersection of Bowie Rd., Bowie Rd. from LA Hwy 1 to Ardoyne Dr., and Audubon Ave. from Stadium Dr. to Menard St.

Chief Alex Barnes, Nicholls State University Campus, provided public comment in support of the proposed ordinance designating Nicholls State University as a school zone, citing student safety as a primary concern. He further stated his intent to bring the matter before the University of Louisiana Board to seek similar designation for university-owned streets, noting that Council approval was only required for city-maintained streets.

Councilman Naquin suggested amending the ordinance to specify the city streets over which the City has authority and to remove references to campus streets.

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilman Naquin, the council voted to amend the ordinance in order to remove all campus streets that are under the jurisdiction of the University, and only include Bowie Road and Audubon Avenue, which are city owned streets. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Crochet, Bimah, Mire, and Naquin**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**ABSENT: Taylor**

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilwoman Crochet, the council voted on an ordinance to amend and re-enact section 20-19 of the Thibodaux city code of ordinances so as to create subsection (g) – school zones-Nicholls State University as amended. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Crochet, Bimah, Mire, and Naquin**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**ABSENT: Taylor**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 3436**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 20-19 OF THE THIBODAUX CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES SO AS TO CREATE SUBSECTION (G) – SCHOOL ZONES-NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled that:

**WHEREAS**, Section 20-19 is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to create Subsection (g) to read as follows:

**Sec. 20-19. Speed limits – Specified**

**(g) School zones-Nicholls State University. The following streets shall be designated as school zones between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on all school days each year, and any other time that school zone signs are displayed in the same said streets, and no vehicle under any circumstance shall be driven**

at a greater speed than fifteen (15) miles per hour during said times in said zones:

(1) Bowie Road from LA Hwy 1 to Ardoyne Drive, and Audubon Avenue from Stadium Drive to Menard Street.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS: Crochet, Bimah, Mire, and Naquin**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**ABSENT: Taylor**

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 18th day of February 2026.

/s/Jennifer Morvant  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/Mike Naquin  
Mike Naquin, President

John Toups, 207 Rienzi Street, addressed the Council to advise of his intent to host independent town hall meetings regarding local government transparency and accountability.

Jerry Jones, 1132 Louise Street, President of the Krewe of Shaka, addressed the Council regarding concerns of a potential conflict of interest related to the Krewe's Mardi Gras parade.

The Mayor informed the Council of issues and projects going on throughout the City:

- Mardi Gras went well, Thanks to the Police Department, Parks and Recreation department for cleanup and other agencies that assisted. Thank you to Councilwoman Crochet for announcing.
- Construction on the street on Nicholls campus is going to start tomorrow
- As discussed previously, the IT department is working on improving City technology
- The Petanque Mardi Gras open went well. There were 65 teams from all over the world. Parks and Rec did a wonderful job putting that on.
- There will be a post-Mardi Gras meeting TBD.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:44 P.M..

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Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

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Mike Naquin, President