

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATCHITOCHEES PARISH COUNCIL  
PARISH OF NATCHITOCHEES, STATE OF LOUISIANA  
TAKEN A SPECIAL MEETING HELD, FRIDAY,

June 24, 2022

5:30 p.m.

The Natchitoches Parish Council met in special and legal session in the Parish Board Room 211 on Friday, June, 24, 2022 for a special meeting of Natchitoches Parish Council meeting at five thirty (5:30) o'clock p.m. and for the Natchitoches Parish Council Meeting.

The Parish of Natchitoches was then convened as the governing authority by Chairman John Salter.

Councilman Salter stated that the Parish was ready for the transaction of business.

After the roll call there were present Chairman John Salter and Council: Chris Paige, Patsy Hoover, Jim Kilcoyne, and Marty Cheatwood,

Absent: None

The invocation was given by Mrs. Patsy Hoover and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Jim Kilcoyne.

Chairman Salter read the first Agenda Item.

Council to approve a proclamation appointing a qualified candidate to District 2 of the Parish Council, of the Parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, to fill the vacancy in District 2 of the Parish Council, due to a resignation of Councilwoman Patsy Ward Hoover.

The Clerk replied, "I sent out three articles to the newspaper and I only received three interested prospective Candidates the first one was Mrs. Shirley Layton, Mr. Edward Scott, and Mr. Ronnie Evans. I notified them to be here with us tonight, the only one not present is Mr. Ronnie Evans, due to a conflict in scheduling before he was told about this, but I gave out all the phone numbers, incase you needed to contact anyone."

Chairman Salter asked, "If any of the Candidates are here wished to say anything to us?"

Mr. Edward Scott stood up and came up. Mr. Scott begins, "Good evening to all of you-all here today, My name is Edward Scott, I been living in Natchitoches all my life, I'm 59 years old, I worked for Alliance Compressors for 8 to 9 years, then I worked for Weyerhaeuser for about 7 years they had a little problem with housing and home thing and they did some layoffs and I had to get knee and hip surgery so I volunteered to take the layoff and I'm a Deacon at North Street Baptist Church under Dr. Brad Holden, been involved with the community all my life, working with kids, during the Summer months, I worked with the flag football team and softball team and been active in my community a little here and there and very concern about what goes on in my community and I was asked two or three times by different people for filling in the spot for Mrs. Hoover, I had no interest in running for any political office or nothing, but since they asked me about running temporarily I thought about it to fill in and not to run for office, but I don't mind filling in, if they need to fill in."

Mrs. Shirley Layton, "Good Evening, I'm Shirley Layton, I'm a resident of here in Natchitoches, I have a Bachelors in Criminal Justice and a Bachelors in Theology, I wouldn't say, necessarily I'm the best candidate, I'm not a Politician, but as far as having the heart of a servant and knowing and desiring better for my Community and my Grandchildren that are being raised here and wanting a better environment that's me one hundred percent and I'm just willing to serve and do what ever I can and if that's not what you-all desire

then I'm okay with that but I enjoy Natchitoches, I've lived here since 1980, I have 5 grown children and 11 Grandchildren and I'm 62 years of age, I'm retired and I just enjoy being active in my church and at my Grandchildren schools, Weaver Elementary and Lakeview High School, stuff like that, I'm a kind of hands on person, I get in where I fit in kind of person as they say, as I'm needed or call upon to do I'm very loquacious and no lack of words and I'm very much a listener and a learner and a quick learner and I enjoy learning new things, most of all I'm all about the betterment of my Community."

Chairman Salter, replied, "Thank you, is there anybody else? We're going to do this by roll call, call each names individually."

The Clerk begins, by calling Mrs. Shirley Layton and there was a discussion about don't need a motion or second just each Councilman vote. Councilman Paige, replied, "Basically we're just open the floor, and basically we have 2 candidates, and we just vote." The Clerk, again, called Mrs. Shirley Layton and then Councilman Paige, replied, "Are you calling Councilmembers, or you are calling individuals?" Chairman Salter, replied, "No, if anybody wants to go ahead a vote for this person here, we're going to do it that way." Councilman Paige, replied, "Okay."

The Clerk again, called:

Mrs. Shirley Layton: Kilcoyne and Salter  
Mr. Edward Scott: Paige and Cheatwood  
Mr. Ronnie Evans:

Councilman Paige, replied, "There's no more votes, I guess this is something the Governors would have to do."

Mrs. Roy asked, "You can't vote for Ronnie because he's not here?" Councilman Paige, replied, "No, somebody could have, but everybody has voted. You don't get two double votes."

Mrs. Roy asked the Clerk to call the votes out again. The Clerk begins, "Mrs. Shirley Layton, Mr. Kilcoyne and Mr. Salter and Mr. Edward Scott, Mr. Paige, and Mr. Cheatwood. And Mr. Ronnie Evans no vote, all has voted."

The Chairman when you get this all typed up it's dead lock so you would notify the Secretary of State and they would notify the Governor and he will handle this.

Chairman Salter stated the next item on the agenda is to Adjourn.

On motion by Councilman Chris Paige, duly seconded by Councilman Marty Cheatwood, that the Natchitoches Parish Council, in special and legal session, does hereby adjourn.

On a roll call vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Ayes:	Councilman Paige	
Ayes:	Councilman Cheatwood	
Ayes:	Councilman Kilcoyne	
Ayes:	Councilman Salter	Motion Passed.

Attest:

  
Shery Frederick, Council Clerk

  
John Salter, Chairman

P R O C L A M A T I O N

The Parish Government of the Parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, acting as governing authority of said parish, in special and legal session convened, does hereby proclaim:

SECTION I. That, effective June 23, 2022, a vacancy now exists in the office of Parish Government of District #2 of Natchitoches Parish, State of Louisiana, due to the resignation of Mrs. Patsy Ward Hoover by letter dated May 10, 2022.

SECTION II. That, in accordance with Article VI, Section 13 of the 1974 Constitution for the State of Louisiana, and Title 18, Section 602 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R.S. 18:602), the local governing authority of the local governmental subdivision where the vacancy occurs shall, within ten (15) days, appoint a person to fill the vacancy who meets the qualifications of the office.

SECTION III. That, the Parish Council of Natchitoches Parish, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby appoint It was a tie vote as Parish Council of District #2 for the Parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, and that, shall assume the duties of said office immediately and shall serve until such time as the successor is elected and takes office.

Vote: Mrs. Shirley Layton: Jim Kilcoyne, John Salter  
Mr. Edward Scott: Chris Paige, and Marty Cheatwood  
Mr. Ronnie Evans: 0 votes

SECTION IV. That, in accordance with the provisions of Title 18, Section 602 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R.S. 18:602), a special election is hereby ordered to fill vacancy.

SECTION V. That, in accordance with the provisions of Title 18, Section 402 of the Revised Statutes of 1950 (R.S. 18:402), the dates for holding of said special election shall be as follows:

PRIMARY ELECTION - Saturday, November 8, 2022

GENERAL ELECTION - Saturday, December 10, 2022

SECTION VI. That, in accordance with the provisions of Title 18, Sections 467, and 468 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R.S. 18:467-468), the period for qualifying as a candidate for this special primary election shall be as follows:

OPENING OF QUALIFYING PERIOD - Wednesday, July 20, 2022

CLOSE OF QUALIFYING PERIOD - 5:00 o'clock p.m., Friday, July 22, 2022

SECTION VII. That, in accordance with the provisions of Title 18, Section 602 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R.S. 18:602), a copy of this proclamation shall be published in the official journal of this Parish Government, and



a certified copy thereof shall be sent via certified or registered mail to:

1. The Clerk of Court of the Tenth Judicial District of Louisiana
2. The Secretary of State for the State of Louisiana

Having been submitted to a roll call vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

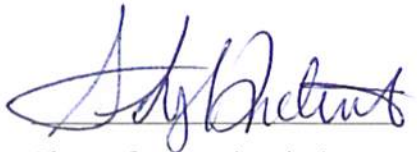
YEAS: Paige, Kilcoyne, Cheatwood, Salter

NAYS:

ABSENT:

And the above proclamation was declared approved and authorized on this 24th day of June, 2022.

ATTEST:



Sheryl Frederick  
Parish Council Clerk

  
John Salter, Chairman