# **ARCHIE CHAISSON III**

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## Summary

Dedicated, driven and focused professional that has managed all facets of government in Lafourche Parish with experience in Finance, Grants and Economic Development and Construction Project Management. Technically proficient in MS Office suite of products including Excel, Word and Access. Strong team working and multi-tasking skills with a proven record of finishing projects successfully, on time and on budget.

# Highlights

- Project management
- Leadership/communication skills
- Employee relations
- Self-motivated

- Human resources
- Budgeting expertise
- Business operations organization
- Workflow Planning

# Accomplishments

Led the parish's successful recovery operations to the BP Oil Spill and was the chief architect of the Lafourche Parish Multi Year Implementation Plan for Coastal Restoration

2014 Lafourche Forty Under Forty Honoree

2022 Leadership Louisiana Graduate

Intermediate POST Certified Law Enforcement Officer, Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office

# Experience

#### Lafourche Parish President

Jan 2020 to Present

Jan 2016 to 2020

Chief Executive of Lafourche Parish Government managing 300 employees and a \$103 million budget. Our Administration has a renewed focus towards Economic Development and local tax reform.

#### **Public Works Director**

City of Thibodaux - Thibodaux, LA

Responsible for providing numerous services to the community, primarily through the construction and maintenance of the infrastructure of the City. The Department is responsible for Streets, Drainage, Natural Gas Distribution, Water Production and Distribution, Sewage Collection and Disposal, Street lighting, Building Permits and Inspection, Airport Maintenance, Coordination of the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Adjustments.

#### Parish Administrator

#### Lafourche Parish Government - Thibodaux , LA

Managed the day to day operations of parish government which included office staff within the Executive Department. Directly supervised five Department Heads (Finance, Human Resources, Public Works, Community Services and Grants and Economic Development) as well as other office managers. Managed the review of contracts/professional services and the creation of agenda items for parish council approval. Communicated official plans, policies and procedures to staff, superiors, business and industry, elected officials and the

Jan 2013 to Dec 2015

public. Ensured effective and efficient use of budgeted funds, personnel, materials, facilities, equipment, and staff time.

### Coastal Zone Management Administrator

Lafourche Parish Government - Galliano, LA Managed and Supervised the Local Coastal Zone Management Program which included the daily administration and supervision of office staff in the facilitation of daily operations. Provided leadership and direction in the development and implementation of short and long range plans for the coastal protection and restoration of Lafourche Parish. Served as the technical and staff adviser for the Lafourche Parish Coastal Zone Management Advisory Committee.

#### **Project Manager**

Sep 2008 to March 2011

Mar 2011 to Jan 2013

Picciola and Associates - Cut Off, LA

Worked directly with public agencies and private clients in planning and construction projects. Played a key role in preparing a successful \$5 million federal grant proposal to provide home elevation and acquisition services to repetitive flood victims in Lafourche Parish. Served as the principal Project Manager on a \$33 million Community Development Block Grant Program award for Lafourche Parish Government.

## Education

#### Bachelor of Science, Management

Nicholls State University - Thibodaux, LA, U.S. Past President, NSU Agricultural Club Senator At Large, Student Government Association Parking Policy & Disability Services Committee Member

## **Community Service**

Nicholls State University Alumni Federation Board, 2011-2020 Nicholls State University Alumni Federation Board, President 2015 & 2019 Lafourche Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Past Chairman 2014 Central Lafourche Ambulance Service District, Past Chairman 2019