

POLICE JURY MEETING – February 6, 2023

The Allen Parish Police Jury met in regular session at the Police Jury Administration Building, Oberlin, Louisiana, February 6, 2023 at the hour of 6:30pm.

Present: Anthony Hebert, Heath Ardoin, Chad Sanders, John Strother, Creig Vizena, Ruffin George, Jr., and Allen Courville. Absent: None.

Motion by Mr. Courville seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to go into session.

The Lord's Prayer was said followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Courville seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to approve minutes held January 9, 2023.

The Finance Committee had the following recommendations:

- 1) Approve to pay Red River Specialties \$1,690.00 for herbicide. This will be divided by the 5 road districts for \$338.00 each.
- 2) Approve to pay Marathon Equipment \$2,786.75 for a pump for liquid asphalt distributor for RD4.
- 3) Approve to pay Ed Fruge \$5,500.00 to remove 2 trees due to storm damage.
- 4) Approve to reimburse the American Legion \$5,541.00 to replace the existing 30" door with a handicap compliant 36" door at Voter Precinct 2-04-C/2-04-0 in Kinder.
- 5) Approve to pay JJ Rebuilders \$9,908.28 for a motor for Mack Dump truck for RD1.
- 6) Approve to pay McGee Equipment \$2,274.75 for 6" water pump rental for RD3.
- 7) Approve to pay Coastal Truck Driving School \$3,300.00 for CDL training.

Motion by Mr. Ardoin seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

The Road Committee had the following recommendations:

- 1) Approve a JSA with the City of Oakdale for grass cutting, pothole patching and trash pick up for the month of February, 2023.
- 2) Approve a JSA with the Allen Parish School Board for material, labor and equipment to repair the following bus turnarounds.
 - 134 Bowie Road in Reeves.
 - Faith Loop in Elizabeth
 - 140 Tyson Road in Reeves.
 - 291 Rodriguez in Elizabeth.
 - 356 Shorty Odom Road in Elizabeth

Motion by Mr. Vizena seconded by Mr. Courville and carried to accept the recommendations of the Road Committee.

Motion by Mr. Courville seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried for the purchasing agent to take necessary action for fuel, materials, and supplies for the month.

Recognized Dr. Nesom, Allen Parish Coroner and Jacob LaCour.

Motion by Mr. Vizena seconded by Mr. Strother and carried to approve to pay outstanding bills from 2022 and approve to increase budget contingent upon finance committee approval.

Recognized Kimberly Caldarera with the Allen Parish Hospital to give update.

Motion by Mr. Ardoin seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to approve to advertise to buy a used backhoe for RD1.

Motion by Mr. Courville seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to approve to advertise for the 2023 Capital Outlay Asphalt and Microsurface contracts.

Discussed increase in Auto and Building Insurance.

Motion by Mr. Vizena seconded by Mr. Courville and carried to approve Option B for Auto Insurance and Option A for Building Insurance.

Motion by Mr. Vizena seconded by Mr. Courville and carried to approve to amend the 2023 Equipment Capital Outlay.

Discussed training classes to be conducted by Attorney General Jeff Landry's office on open meetings and public bid law.

Motion by Mr. Vizena seconded by Mr. Ardoin and carried to approve to attend training classes to be conducted by Attorney General Jeff Landry's office on open meetings and public bid law.

Recognized Mrs. Sonnier to present the monthly inmate report. Expenses for the month of January 2023 totaled \$52,458.63. We are over budget \$27,625.29 for the year. Currently there are 96 Parish and 6 DOC inmates.

Recognized Mr. Joel Johnson for the report on the airport.

Motion by Mr. Strother seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to adjourn the meeting.

Allen Parish Police Jury
President

ATTEST:

Colleen Sonnier, Secretary-Treasurer