

Jennings, Louisiana
October 30, 2024

The Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury met in a Special Session on the above date, in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Sidney Briscoe Building located at 304 North State Street, Jennings, LA., at 5:00 P.M.

The following members were present:

DONALD WOODS	District 1	WAYNE FRUGE	District 8
CHAD WOODS	District 2		District 9
MARCUS PETERSON	District 3		District 10
KORI MYERS	District 4	BUTCH LAFARGUE	District 11
	District 5	OWEN CORMIER	District 12
MELVIN ADAMS	District 6	BILL LABOUVE	District 13
STEVE EASTMAN	District 7		

BEN BOUDREAUX, Administrator; LANCE PERSON, Legal Counsel

Absent: TIM MCKNIGHT, District 5; DAVID LEJEUNE, District 9; BYRON BULLER, District 10

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Eastman. Mrs. Gary gave the Invocation and Mr. Cormier led the Jury in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Peterson asked all to remember the family of Dick Gremillion who was Calcasieu Parish's OHSEP Director for many years and has passed away.

It was moved by Mr. LaBouve, seconded by Mr. Cormier, and carried, to authorize the President to send a Letter to Louisiana Economic Development in support of Ice Industries' application for EDAP.

The motion was made by Mr. LaFargue, seconded by Mr. Chad Woods, and carried, to authorize the President to send a Letter to the Louisiana Division of Administration in support of Water District No. 4's Capital Outlay request for a 400,000-gallon elevated storage tank.

Mr. Fruge made the motion, seconded by Mr. Chad Woods, and carried, to authorize the President to send a Letter to the Louisiana Division of Administration in support of the City of Jennings's Capital Outlay request for an extension to LA 26 and Zigler Memorial Drive.

The motion was made by Mr. Chad Woods, seconded by Mr. LaFargue, and carried, to approve Property Donation Addendum 2 to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Water and Sewer Commission No. 1 amending the property description to include the full 5 acres with a small area outside of the facility to store parish equipment and to further authorize the President or Administrator to sign.

It was moved by Mr. Cormier, seconded by Mr. Cormier, and carried, to approve Notice of Award for the Arena Rear Canopy Project 2024002 and to further authorize the President or Administrator to sign all related contract documents.

Mr. Fruge made the motion, seconded by Mr. LaFargue, and carried, to approve the bid from Guillotte Brothers for finely graded sand.

The motion was made by Mr. Chad Woods, seconded by Mr. LaFargue, and carried, to move the Finance Committee meeting from Monday, November 11, 2024, to Tuesday, November 12, 2024 due to Veterans' Day holiday.

President's Report

President Eastman reminded everyone about the Welcome Reception for Ben Boudreaux at Bayou Rum on January 14, 2025, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

He noted a discussion held with Facility Planning & Control. It was recommended to keep Farm Supply Road on the Capital Outlay list.

A meeting was held in Lake Charles concerning the Governor's Tax Structure.

Administrator's Report

Ben elaborated on the final Capital Outlay projects submitted to the state. Some projects were combined, and some were broken out into phases.

The chip sealing project was completed at Houssiere Park yesterday. The road crew is doing a phenomenal job. The project is ongoing.

The new auditing firm has begun the 2023 audit.

Engineer's Report

Alex discussed the changes in the Courthouse Renovation project.

Committee Reports

There were no Committee Reports.

Mr. Fruge requested the Police Jury consider giving ARPA funds to Jeff Davis Water District No. 4 since funds were given to Jeff Davis Central Water Works and Jeff Davis Water & Sewer Commission No. 1.

There being no further business to come before the Jury, it was moved by Mr. Donald Woods, seconded by Mr. Peterson, and carried, to adjourn the meeting.

/s/ J. Steven Eastman
PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

/s/ Rebecca S. Gary
SECRETARY

November 13, 2024
DATE APPROVED