

POLICE JURY MEETING – May 1, 2023

The Allen Parish Police Jury met in regular session at the Police Jury Administration Building, Oberlin, Louisiana, May 1, 2023 at the hour of 6:30pm.

Present: Anthony Hebert, Heath Ardoin, Allen Courville, Chad Sanders and John Strother.
Absent: Ruffin George, Jr. and Creig Vizona

Motion by Mr. Sanders seconded by Mr. Strother 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 April 3, 2023.

The Finance Committee had the following recommendations:

- 1) Approve to pay Mark Swinnea \$14,200.00 for the roof improvements at the Allen Outreach Building.
- 2) Approve to pay Doggett \$2,872.60 for an exhaust valve to repair the Solid Waste backhoe at the Kinder site.
- 3) Approve to pay Doggett \$2,099.00 for a radiator to repair the backhoe for RD5.
- 4) Approve to pay Jerome Brown \$1,650.00 for labor to repair a section of floor at the LSU Ag Center building.

Motion by Mr. Ardoin seconded by Mr. Courville 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 May, 2023.
- 2) Approve a JSA with the Allen Parish School Board for manpower, equipment and material for the following bus turnarounds
 - 410 North Blacktop Extension in Oakdale.
 - 723 Monceaux Road in Reeves.

Motion by Mr. Strother 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 a representative for the Allen Parish Library to give an update.

Motion by Mr. Ardoin seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to advertise for 6-month bids and for the legal journal.

Motion by Mr. Ardoin seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to adopt a resolution to authorize the Parish Administrator/Engineer to sign all necessary GOHSEP Grant Documentation, including the Memorandum of Understanding for the courthouse Drainage Improvement Projects.

Motion by Mr. Courville seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to accept the resignation of John Lawless from the Allen Parish Hospital Board and appoint Katlyn Carrier to complete his term.

Discussed the Police Jury's role concerning the availability of books in the public library.

Motion by Mr. Courville seconded by Mr. Sanders and carried to approve to enter into a MOU with the LSU AgCenter for \$8,005.00 to support and Administer La Cooperative Units off campus.

Recognized Mrs. Sonnier to present the monthly inmate report. Expenses for the month of April 2023 totaled \$20,500.21. We are over budget \$11,746.94 for the year. Currently there are 90 Parish and 8 DOC inmates.

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

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

Allen Parish Police Jury
President

ATTEST:

Colleen Sonnier, Secretary-Treasurer