

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF BEAUREGARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, April 11, 2023.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana, met in regular session on April 11, 2023, at six (6:00) o'clock p.m.

Roll Call Attendance with there being present: Police Jurors: Kelly Bailey, Eddie Ware, Wayne Reeves, Jeffery Meadows, Shanel Handy, Mike Harper, Ronnie Jackson, John Stebbins, and Jerry Shirley.

There being absent: Chuck Montgomery

The Police Jury of the Parish of Beauregard was duly convened as the governing authority of said Parish by Kelly Bailey, President. Mike Harper gave the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. INVOCATION

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The Greater Beauregard Chamber of Commerce would like to invite each of our Chamber Members to engage in sponsorship of the Military Affairs Committee. A sponsorship will be a benefit to you and your organization as well as to the soldiers and families. There are three levels of sponsorship; Platinum is designated by \$1,000; Gold by \$500; Silver by \$300; and Bronze by \$200. Please complete the sponsorship form and return it to our office.
- B. The Greater Beauregard Chamber of Commerce will host the Annual Military Appreciation Day on Wednesday, April 26th at the DeRidder Dixie Youth Ball Fields. Opening Ceremony will be at 10:15am.
- C. National Day of Prayer will be May 4, 2023, at the Lake Charles Civic Center. Guest speaker is actor and filmmaker Kirk Cameron. Serving lines open at 11:30am, program begins at 11:55am.
- D. We will be hosting our Bi-Annual Blood Drive with Lifeshare here on May 19th from 1pm - 5pm. Please see our secretary to sign up for blood donations.

4. AMENDMENTS AND (OR) DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA BY COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

A. FINANCE- JEFFERY MEADOWS

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper to add item 8. No one opposed. Motion carried.

8. Approval to accept the low construction bid of \$438,800 from Gunter Construction for the Wye Library Branch.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper to add item 9. No one opposed. Motion carried.

9. Approval of the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper to add item 10. No one opposed. Motion carried.

10. Approval for Admin Personnel to attend the GFOA Spring Conference May 2nd – 4th. Registration is \$225 per member, hotel accommodation is \$119 per night, plus travel expenses.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper to add item 11. No one opposed. Motion carried.

11. Approval of quotes to purchase new radios for the Constables.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper to add item 12. No one opposed. Motion carried.

12. Approval for Request for Proposal (RFP) for Grant Management for Hometown Revitalization Program and Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper to add item 13. No one opposed. Motion carried.

13. Approval to advertise Ordinance 02-2023 to amend Ordinance No. 02-2022 to Geographically merge precincts and establish polling locations for Beauregard Parish.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper to add item 14. No one opposed. Motion carried.

14. Approval for Admin Staff to attend NACo Annual Convention July 21st – 24th 2023.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper to add item 15. No one opposed. Motion carried.

15. Approval of Prioritization of Hazard Mitigation Projects.

B. Road & Bridge – EDDIE WARE

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Wayne Reeves to add item 5. No one opposed. Motion carried.

5. Approval to lower the speed limit from 35 mph to 15 mph on John Barrett Rd and post speed limit signs.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Wayne Reeves to add item 6. No one opposed. Motion carried.

6. Approval of Abner's Acres Subdivision on Paul McMillian Road, Road District #2.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Wayne Reeves to add item 7. No one opposed. Motion carried.

7. Approval of CEA with Vernon Parish for Parish Line Rd Capital Improvement Projects.

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8. Approval of Round 2 Pre-application for Lake Northeast of DeRidder and expansion of Bundicks Lake.

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9. Approval of hardship application, Road District #2.

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10. Approval for Bryan McReynolds and Pat Dick to attend the LPESA Spring Conference May 3-4, 2023 in Charenton, LA

C. PERSONNEL - WAYNE REEVES

None

D. WAYS & MEANS - CHUCK MONTGOMERY

None

E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE - MIKE HARPER

None

F. JAIL COMMITTEE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

None

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Mike Lavergne of LSUAg - Presentation given by 4-H members on their experiences being in 4-H and what they've learned..

B. General Beauregard Award for April 2023 - Cat's Coffee and Creamery, Owner: Catina Bowman.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Abandonment of the entire length of Winzor Rd, RD #6.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2023.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Mike Harper. No one opposed. Motion carried.

8. CHAIRPERSON'S COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

A. FINANCE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

1. Approval of the March Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$2,697,783.75 and the Payroll Register in the amount of \$368,681.43.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval to pay April 2023 IMCAL Membership Dues in the amount of \$1,398.43.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Review and approve the monthly financial statements and budgets to actual comparison.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by John Stebbins. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Annual Ambulance Services for 2023.
a. Acadian Ambulance

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper. No one opposed. Motion carried.

b. MedExpress Ambulance

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper. No one opposed. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the Multi-Jurisdictional Agreement and Resolution for 2023.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by John Stebbins. No one opposed. Motion carried.

6. Approval to adopt a Fair Housing Proclamation

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper. No one opposed. Motion carried.

7. Approval of Proclamation to proclaim April 10th – 14th as National Community Development Week.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Mike Harper. No one opposed. Motion carried.

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B. ROAD & BRIDGE - EDDIE WARE

1. Approval of March Work Orders totaling \$751.83.

A motion was made Eddie Ware and seconded by Wayne Reeves. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval to abandon the entire length of Winzor Rd, RD #6.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by John Stebbins. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval of low bids:

- a. Mastic Mix; Southern Group - 0.842 per pound plus freight.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Wayne Reeves. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- b. Two 2020 Chevy Express Vans from Benoit Dealership at \$37,000 each

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Wayne Reeves. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- c. Hot Asphaltic Mixture; Prairie Contractors, \$93 per ton

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Wayne Reeves. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- d. Emulsified Asphalts: Asphalt Products
 - i. SS1H - \$3.04 per gallon
 - ii. CRS2 - \$2.90 per gallon

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Wayne Reeves. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Transmission Facilities Servitude, Easement and Right of Way Agreement with CATAHOULA SOLAR, LLC on Airport Property.

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C. PERSONNEL - WAYNE REEVES

1. Approval for Justices of the Peace and Constables to attend Spring 2023 JPC Training Conference, April 26th - 27th. Registration is \$150 per person. Hotel accommodation is \$98/night, travel expenses to be determined.

A motion was made by Wayne Reeves and seconded by Mike Harper. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval to reappoint Lydia Holland to another 3-year term on the Tourist Commission Board.

A motion was made by Wayne Reeves and seconded by Shanel Handy. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval to move new hires to permanent with benefits:

a. Cristopher Murphy - RD 3, April 23rd

- b. Damon Clark - Parishwide, April 25th
- c. Keauxdy Smith - WMCC, April 30th

A motion was made by Wayne Reeves and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

D. WAYS & MEANS - CHUCK MONTGOMERY
None

E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE - MIKE HARPER
None

F. JAIL COMMITTEE - JEFFERY MEADOWS
None

9. SECRETARY'S REPORT
A. A reminder to complete your Annual Tier 3 form and submit it to the Ethics Board prior to the May 15th deadline.

H. TREASURER'S REPORT
A. None

I. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
A. We're working on the solar project in Singer. We're going through payment in lieu of taxes and lease agreement with them and we'll be meeting with them tomorrow. We plan to meet with the Industrial Development board and will then come before you Jurors for final approval.

Kelly Bailey stated that if there was no further business to come before the Beauregard Parish Police Jury in the Regular Session this 11th day of April 2023, she would entertain a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Jerry Shirley and seconded by Shanel Handy. No one opposed. Motion Carried.

MARGARET LYONS
SECRETARY

KELLY BAILEY
PRESIDENT