

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF BEAUREGARD,
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, MAY 14,
2024

The Police Jury of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana,
met in regular session on May 14, 2024, at six (6:00) o'clock
p.m.

Roll Call Attendance with there being present: Police Jurors;
James Hillebrandt, Ernest Dickerson, Jr., Jeffery Meadows, Eddie
Ware, Mike Harper Jerry Shirley, Elizabeth Montgomery, Nelson
Morgan, Shanel Handy, and Kelly Bailey.

There being absent: None

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

1. INVOCATION

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Beauregard Health Systems will have their
Groundbreaking Ceremony for the New Emergency
Department on Friday, May 17th at noon.
- B. The War Memorial Civil Center will be hosting a
Veterans Brunch on Saturday, May 18th at 10 a.m.
- C. Beauregard Parish Office of Homeland Security &
Emergency Preparedness will be having a Hurricane
Preparedness Workshop on Thursday, May 23rd at the
War Memorial Civic Center. Registration is from 8
a.m. until 9 a.m.
- D. The 19th Annual Beauregard Watermelon Festival will
be held at the Fairgrounds on Thursday, June 27th
through Saturday, June 29th.
- E. The Greater Beauregard Chamber of Commerce along
with the City of DeRidder, Beauregard Parish Police
Jury, Southwest Louisiana Alliance and area business
owners have formed the Beauregard Economic Expansion
Coalition to improve and promote the economic value
of our city and parish. Please take a moment to
review the website content at
www.growingbeauregard.com.

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

A. FINANCE - KELLY BAILEY

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #8 and
seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion
carried.

8. Approval for the purchase of new Public Works
Computer Software, IWORQ- \$31,500 Year 1, then \$19,000
annually.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #9a and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

9. Approval of rates for the following at the Beauregard Covered Arena:

- a. Signs -\$75- for the first year, \$500 for the renewal (includes cost of the sign)

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #9b and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- b. Food Trucks - for large evens, \$125/day without electricity and water; \$150/day with electricity and water

10. Approval to accept the lowest bids for the following:

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #10a and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- a. Emulsified Asphalts

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #10b and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- b. Tank Car Culverts & Half Tank Car Culverts.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #10c and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- c. Cold Mix

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #10d and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- d. Corrugated Metal Culvert

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #10e and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- e. Approval to reject and authorize rebid for Used Steel Culverts.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #11 and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

11. Approval to enter into a CEA with DeRidder Baseball and Softball Recreation to sponsor two All - Star Teams entry fees in the amount of \$2,600.00.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add #12a-c and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

12. Approval to apply for a Department of Agriculture and Forestry Louisiana Equine Promotion and Research Grant for the Beauregard Covered Arena to upgrade and improve facilities for equine events. This grant is a first come, first serve opportunity.

- a. New Sound System
- b. New Digital Signage on Hwy 190
- c. Upgrade full-service RV Sites from #1-20 to all 50 amp service.

B. ROAD & BRIDGE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows to add #4 and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval to correct drainage issues on Hwy 190 near PCA.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows to add #5 and seconded by Ernest Dickerson, Jr. No one opposed. Motion carried.

5. Approval of Ordinance prohibiting unmuffled compression brakes on Hwy 190, from Hwy 3226 to Schuetz Road.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows to add #6 and seconded by Ernest Dickerson, Jr. No one opposed. Motion carried.

6. Approval to amend the contract with Waste Connections for the collection sites.

C. PERSONNEL - SHANEL HANDY

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add #2 and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval to accept the resignation of Richelle Bowman on the Hospital Service District Board.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add #3 and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval to accept the resignation of Janet Cantrell of Water Works District #6.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add #4a-d and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval to appoint a Constable in District 1 until a duly called election.

- a. Bryan Barrow
- b. Kyle Mitchell
- c. David Doyle
- d. Ross Stephens

D. WAYS & MEANS - EDDIE WARE

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Jeffery Meadows to strike #5. No one opposed and the motion is carried.

~~5. Approval to Canvas the Election Results of April 27, 2024 to amend Road District #1 adopted tax roll of 24.36 Millages as set forth in Resolution No. 2-2024.~~

A motion was made by Eddie Ware to add #6 and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

6. Approval of the Vehicle Use Policy revisions.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware to add #7 and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

7. Approval to adopt the CO2 Sequestration Resolution.

E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY

None

F. HIRING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY

None

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. General Beauregard Award Recipient for May 2024 was awarded to Brent Hodges, the owner of Brent Hodges and Associates.

B. Whitney Lambright - Office of Senator and House Speaker Mike Johnson.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

None

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting of April 9, 2024.

A motion was made by Jerry Shirley and seconded by Nelson Morgan. No one opposed. Motion carried.

8. CHAIRPERSON COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

A. FINANCE - KELLY BAILEY

1. Approval of April Accounts Payable register in the amount of \$2,390,393.85 and the Payroll Register in the amount of \$265,794.88.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval of May 2024 Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Membership Dues in the amount of \$1,567.65.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Acadian Ambulance Service fine of \$500.00 for violation of the Parish Ambulance Ordinance No. 01-2023, Section 9(b), and Section 17(c).

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval of ITEX (Industrial Tax Exemption Program) Application - Packaging Corporation of America.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Jerry Shirley. Opposed by Elizabeth Montgomery. Motion carried.

Jeffrey Meadows recuses himself from this matter.

5. Approval to purchase property at Bundick Lake for \$15,000 contingent upon the appraisal.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried

6. Approval to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Next Up Skills Camp for \$2,500.00.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

7. Approval to enter into negotiations with Phoenix Hat Company, owners of the West Brothers Building.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

8. Approval for the purchase of new Public Works Computer Software, IWORQ- \$31,500 Year 1, then \$19,000 annually.

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e. Approval to reject and authorize rebid for Used Steel Culverts.

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a. New Sound System

b. New Digital Signage on Hwy 190

c. Upgrade full-service

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Jerry Shirley. No one opposed. Motion carried.

B. ROAD AND BRIDGE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

1. Approval of April Emergency Work Orders totaling \$33,011.78.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Kelly Bailey. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval to reduce the speed limit in Kenzie Estates from 35 mph to 25 mph.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Subdivision Application for Atticus Acres.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Kelly Bailey. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval to correct drainage issues on Hwy 190 near PCA.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

5. Approval of Ordinance prohibiting unmuffled compression brakes on Hwy 190, from Hwy 3226 to Schuetz Road.

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6. Approval to amend the contract with Waste Connections for the collection sites.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Ernest Dickerson, Jr. No one opposed. Motion carried.

C. PERSONNEL - SHANEL HANDY

1. Approval for the following employees to receive employee benefits:

a. Samuel Bell, Road District #3

A motion is made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Kelly Bailey. No one opposed. Motion carried.

b. Kaden Kisner, Road District #1&5

A motion is made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

c. Jonathan Hester, Parish wide

A motion was made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

d. LeeAnn Cooley, Covered Arena

A motion was made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Kelly Bailey. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval to accept the resignation of Richelle Bowman on the Hospital Service District Board.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval to accept the resignation of Janet Cantrell of Water Works District #6.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- 4. Approval to appoint a Constable in District 1 until a duly called election.
 - a. Bryan Barrow
 - b. Kyle Mitchell
 - c. David Doyle
 - d. Ross Stephens

President Mike Harper offered a roll call vote as follows:

- a. Bryan Barrow:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT/ABSTAIN
James Hillebrandt	x		
Ernest Dickerson, Jr.	X		
Jeffery Meadows		X	
Eddie Ware	X		
Jerry Shirley	X		
Elizabeth Montgomery	X		
Nelson Morgan	X		
Shanel Handy	X		
Kelly Bailey	X		
Mike Harper			X

One Nay and Eight Yea's. Motion carried.

- b. Kyle Mitchell:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT/ABSTAIN
James Hillebrandt		x	
Ernest Dickerson, Jr.		x	
Jeffery Meadows		x	
Eddie Ware		x	
Jerry Shirley		x	
Elizabeth Montgomery		x	
Nelson Morgan		x	
Shanel Handy		x	
Kelly Bailey		x	
Mike Harper			x

Zero Yea's and Nine Nay's. Motion failed.

- c. David Doyle:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT/ABSTAIN
James Hillebrandt		x	
Ernest Dickerson, Jr.		x	
Jeffery Meadows	x		
Eddie Ware		x	
Jerry Shirley	x		
Elizabeth Montgomery		x	
Nelson Morgan		x	
Shanel Handy		x	
Kelly Bailey		x	
Mike Harper			X

Seven Nay's and Two Yea's. Motion failed.

- d. Ross Stephens:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT/ABSTAIN
James Hillebrandt		x	
Ernest Dickerson, Jr.		x	

Jeffery Meadows	x		
Eddie Ware		x	
Jerry Shirley	x		
Elizabeth Montgomery		x	
Nelson Morgan		x	
Shanel Handy		x	
Kelly Bailey		x	
Mike Harper		x	
			x

Seven Nay's and Two Yea's. Motion failed.

Bryan Barrows is appointed as Constable in District #1.

D. WAYS AND MEANS - EDDIE WARE

1. Approval of Ordinance Creation Process

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Kelly Bailey. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Parish Vehicle Usage Policy.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval to move forward with the Beauregard Youth Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval to Canvas the Election results for April 27, 2024, to amend Road District #1 adopted tax roll of 24.36 millages as set forth in Resolution NO. 2-2024.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

~~5. Approval to Canvas the Election results for April 27, 2024, to amend Fire Protection District No. 2 tax roll of 6.81 Millages as set forth in Resolution No. 1-2024.~~

6. Approval of the Vehicle Use Policy revisions (taking the place of #2)

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

David Morgan stated, this is no existing policy, this is a new policy.

7. Approval to adopt the C02 Sequestration Resolution.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Kelly Bailey. No one opposed. Motion carried.

E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY

1. None

F. HIRING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY

1. None

9. SECRETARY REPORT

None

10. INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Andrea Couch addresses the board.

Mike Harper stated that if there was no further business to come before the Beauregard Parish Police Jury in the Regular Session this 14th day of May 2024, he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jerry Shirley and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

MARGARET LYONS
SECRETARY

MICHAEL HARPER
PRESIDENT