

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF BEAUREGARD,
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 11,
2024

The Police Jury of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana,
met in regular session on June 11, 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, Elizabeth Montgomery, Nelson Morgan, Shanel
Handy, and Kelly Bailey.

There being absent: Jerry Shirley

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

1. INVOCATION

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. June is Men's Health Awareness Month. Let's raise awareness and inspire the men in our community to make their health a priority.
- B. Are you interested in getting involved with the Watermelon Festival? We are looking for business who want to get involved with the many events and contests that go along with the festival. Event Sponsorship is \$500 and Contest Sponsorship is \$300. This includes logos specific to event promo posters, all print advertising, official website, and various signage throughout the festival.
- C. The Council on Aging is taking applications for Senior Farmers' Market for seniors who are 60+ who live anywhere in Beauregard Parish. Call 337-463-6578 to find out more information about the program.
- D. DeRidder Fire Department have a limited number of spots available for the Fire Safety Summer Camp, for Grades K - 3. To be held June 26th - 28th. Call 337-462-8929 for information and registration.

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

A. FINANCE - KELLY BAILEY

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #4 and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval of the lowest bid for Mastic Mix to Southern Equipment Group for \$0.81 plus freight per pound for 1 year

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #5 and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the lowest bid for Hot Asphaltic Mixture to Prairie Contractors LLC for \$93.00 per ton for 1 year.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #6 and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

6. Approval of the lowest bid for Road Gravel to Arcosa Aggregates for \$38.50 per ton for one year.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #7 and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

7. Approval of the lowest bid for Washed Pea Gravel to Arcosa Aggregates for \$38.50 per ton for one year.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #8 and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

8. Approval for bid on a new truck to replace the previously damaged truck for Road District 7&8.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #9 and seconded by Shanel Handy. No one opposed. Motion carried.

9. Approval to purchase a Boom Ditcher for \$15,804.00, Road District #2 utilizing State Contract.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #10 and seconded by Shanel Handy. No one opposed. Motion carried.

10. Approval to advertise Request for Proposals for the Covered Arena Concession Stand.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #11 and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

11. Approval of low bid for Debris Removal Drainage Laterals, Project 436662 to DRC Emergency Services for a period of two years.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #12 and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

12. Approval of low bid for Debris Monitoring, Project 436662 to Thompson Consulting Services for a period of two years.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #13 and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

13. Approval for Parish Administrative Officials to attend the Louisiana Organization of Parish Administrative Officials' Conference in Lafayette,

July 31st - August 2nd. Registration is \$175, travel to be determined.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #14 and seconded by Shanel Handy. No one opposed. Motion carried.

14. Approval to share the cost of a lawnmower with Beauregard Parish Sheriff Office for a second inmate mowing crew in the parish for \$5,000.00.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #15 and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

15. Approval for Admin to attend the Louisiana Floodplain Management Association in Monroe, July 11th - 12th. Registration is free, travel to be determined.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey to add item #16 and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

16. Approval of amendment of CEA with Freedom Ministries Christ Church.

B. ROAD & BRIDGE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows to amend item #2 and seconded by Ernest Dickerson. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval of CEA with Water Works District #2 for \$35,000 for N. Smokey Cove water line relocation.

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

4. Approval to change the road project on Benny Felice to Alan Dale Road (.532 mi., 3,749 ft) in Road District #6.

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

5. Approval of full base rehab on Stamps Road B6-23059-DA, option 1.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery to add item #6. No one opposed. Motion carried.

6. Approval for Road Foremen to attend the following training Roads Scholar #8: Successful Supervision for Local Road Supervisors Training, Registration is \$25 per attendee.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by James Hillebrandt to add item #7a. No one opposed. Motion carried.

7. Approval to advertise for the following road abandonments:

a. Jewel Cooley Road - Road District 2

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by James Hillebrandt to add item #7b. No one opposed. Motion carried.

b. Bud Mitchell Road - Road District 6

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery to add item #7c. No one opposed. Motion carried.

c. Nolan Cormie Road - Road District 6

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Ernest Dickerson, Jr to add item #7d. No one opposed. Motion carried.

d. Roland Barrow Road - Road District 6

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Kelly Bailey to add item #7e. No one opposed. Motion carried.

e. Thelma Lane - Road District 6

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows to add item #8 and seconded by Ernest Dickerson, Jr. No one opposed. Motion carried.

8. Approval to enter into right of entry agreements with adjoining landowners for ditch drainage, North Johnson, Middle Johnson, and South Johnson.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows to add item #9 and seconded by Eddie Ware. No one opposed. Motion carried.

9. Approval to accept Substantial Completion of Parish Line MA Project B6-22031.

C. PERSONNEL - SHANEL HANDY

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add item #11 and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

11. Approval of appointment of Mike Atkinson to the Fire Protection District #3 Board.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add #12 and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

12. Approval to promote Operations Specialist I to Accounting Specialist II with a 3% increase.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add item #13 and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

13. Approval to move Kristin Morris from part-time to full-time as Accounting Specialist I with benefits.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add item #14a and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

14. Approval of the following employees to receive employee benefits:

a. Ladana Wright - Health Unit

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add item #14b and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

b. Jimmy Vazquez - Road District #3

A motion was made by Shanel Handy to add item #14c and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

c. Xavier Scott - Road District #4

D. WAYS & MEANS - EDDIE WARE
None

E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY
None

F. HIRING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY

A motion made by Kelly Bailey to add item and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

a. Discussion and selection of applicant for Parish Administrator.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. General Beauregard Award Recipient for June 2024 -
Alton Lambert Trucking, Owner Alton Lambert

B. South Beauregard Golden Knights 2024 LHSAA Baseball
Division III

Champions

1. Alex Baggett #33
2. Cy Barrow #1
3. Hunter Bellard #14
4. Luke Brister #11
5. Gabe Cormier #24
6. Gunner Courtney #6
7. Heith Cradure #13
8. Brayden Croxdale #5
9. Brycen Dartez #19
10. Bryce Deason #4
11. Jace Duhon #9
12. Cole Eaves #17
13. Clayton Folks #10
14. Luke Fontenot #15
15. Noah Fontenot #2
16. Parker Fontenot #31
17. Carter Good #21

18. Jed Henry #8
19. Kasen Hillebrandt #32
20. Kade Jackson #20
21. Ethan Manuel #22
22. Chris Milner #34
23. Myles Pence #3
24. Mason Richards #23
25. Stanton Savell #30
26. Layden Sepulvado #18
27. Drew Smith #21
28. Braden Trahan #26
29. Christian Wold #16

Managers: Avery Carnahan; Kinley Dartez; Kane Labruyere
Coaches: Jeremy Deville, Jack Deason, Jason Mouton, Matt West, Jaclyn Deason, and Jeff Hollie.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

None

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting of May 14, 2024.

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

8. CHAIRPERSON COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

A. FINANCE - KELLY BAILEY

1. Approval of the April Accounts Payable register in the amount of \$1,184,286.54 and the Payroll Register in the amount of \$268,597.20.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

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

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

3. Approval of The Southwest Louisiana Crime Lab's Budget for 2024-2025.

A motion was made by Kelly Bailey and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval of the lowest bid for Mastic Mix to Southern Equipment Group for \$0.81 plus freight per pound for 1 year.

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

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B. ROAD AND BRIDGE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

1. Approval of May Emergency Work Orders totaling \$48,003.14.

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

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c. Nolan Cormie Road - Road District 6

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d. Roland Barrow Road - Road District 6

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C. PERSONNEL - SHANEL HANDY

1. Approval of reappointment of Harley Giesbrecht to the Airport Board

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

2. Approval of reappointment of Clyde Keel to the Bundicks Lake Board.

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

3. Approval of reappointment of Matt Gillespie to the Fire Protection District #2 Board.

Two constituents were allowed to speak

- a. Julee LaFleur
- b. Ben Parker

A motion was made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery.

The will of the Police Jury requested a roll call vote as follows:

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		

Oppositions by: James Hillebrandt, Ernest Dickerson, Jr, Jeffery Meadows, and Eddie Ware. Motion carried.

4. Approval of appointment of Craig Richard Fire Protection District #4 Board.

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

5. Approval of appointment of Charlotte White to the Hospital Service District #2 Board.

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

6. Approval of reappointments the Library Board for the following:

- a. Angela Lannen

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

- b. Tranquil Crosby

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

7. Approval of appointment of Joseph Williamson to the Tourist Commission Board.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

8. Approval of appointment of Kathy Cornwell to the Waterworks District #5 Board.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

9. Approval of appointment of Shane Johnson to the Waterworks District #6 Board.

A motion was made by Shanel Handy and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

10. Approval to amend Interim Parish Road Manager to Parish Road Manager.

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

11. Approval of appointment of Mike Atkinson to the Fire Protection District #3 Board.

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

12. Approval to promote Operations Specialist I to Accounting Specialist II with a 3% increase.

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

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14. Approval of the following employees to receive employee benefits:

a. Ladana Wright - Health Unit

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

b. Jimmy Vazquez - Road District #3

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

c. Xavier Scott - Road District #4

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

D. WAYS AND MEANS - EDDIE WARE

1. Approval to select Beauregard Daily News as the Official Journal for 2024-2025.

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

2. Approval of proposed 205-Fott Self Support Lattice-Type Telecommunications Structure AT&T Site - Harper Valley Road (FA #16100571) 2166 Granberry Road, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish, Louisiana ECA Project #: 24-000622.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Kelly Bailey. No one opposed. Motion carried. (No action needed, information purposes only).

3. Approval of travel expenses for New Jail Committee Members.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval to stop the application process for Parish Administrator until further notice.

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 (KELLY BAILEY)

1. Approval of selection of applicant for Parish Administrator.

a. Damon Cooley

A request for a roll call vote was made by Kelly Bailey

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

2. Approval for President Michael E. Harper and Legal Counsel to negotiate a contract for the new Parish Administrator.

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

9. SECRETARY REPORT

None

10. INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR AND TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Treasurer's report is included in your packet.

Mike Harper stated that if there was no further business to come before the Beauregard Parish Police Jury in the Regular Session this 11th day of June 2024, he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

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

MARGARET LYONS
SECRETARY

MICHAEL E. HARPER
PRESIDENT