PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF BEAUREGARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2025.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana, met in regular session on July $8^{\rm th}$, 2025, at six (6:00) o'clock p.m.

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

There being absent: Ernest Dickerson, Jr. and Kelly Bailey

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

1. INVOCATION

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. National Night Out is from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 5th at the Beauregard Parish Fairgrounds. The theme is "Wild West". We've saddled up and we are gettin' ready for a ride through the wild west. Round yup the "youngins"!!
- B. Notice is hereby given at its meeting to be held on Tuesday, August 12th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at it's regular meeting place, the Police Jury Administration Building, 201 West 2nd Street, DeRidder, Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in Road District Number Tow of the Parish of Beauregard, Louisiana to authorize the renewal of an ad valorem tax herein.

4. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA BY COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

A. FINANCE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by James Hillebrandt to add #13. Elizabeth Montgomery opposed. Motion did not carried.

13. Approval of renovating the entire fire suppression system of the Beauregard Covered Area accepting the lowest quote of \$45,712.00 from Vallen Safety Services.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by James Hillebrandt to add #14. No one opposed. Motion carried.

14. Approval of the Beauregard Covered Arena Concession Stand Contract with the Kingdom Center for a term of one year.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #15. Elizabeth Montgomery opposed. Motion not carried.

15.Approval to enter into a CEA with Merryville Recreational Baseball League for a scoreboard not to exceed \$5,000.00 from the General Fund.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery to add #16. No one opposed. Motion carried.

16. Approval of up to 1.75% Merit Increase based on employee's evaluation.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery to add #17. No one opposed. Motion carried.

17. Approval to renew the lease with Newt Hodges Farm, LLC, for the property located at 854 Magnolia Church Road, Ragley, LA in the amount of \$475.00 monthly for an additional three years.

B. ROAD AND BRIDGE - JAMES HILLEBRANDT

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

4. Approval of preliminary plat and application for Atticus Acres Phase II in Road District 8.

C. <u>PERSONNEL - EDDIE WARE</u> None

D. WAYS AND MEANS - NELSON MORGAN

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

2. Approval to adopt a resolution acting as the governing authority of (i) Road District Number Two of the Parish of Beauregard, Louisiana, (ii) Road District Number 7 of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana and (iii) Road District Number 8 of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana (the "Districts"), to authorize the cancellation of the special elections previously called by the Police Jury to be held on October 11, 2025.

A motion was made by Nelson Morgan and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery added #3. No one opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval to amend the Noise Producing Devices Ordinance Section 11-3, Section F, 1 & 2 of the Code

of Ordinances as presented, with the exception to add back the last removed sentence in Section F2.

E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE - ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #1. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

1. Approval to adopt the Citizen Complaint Policy for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #2. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

2. Approval to adopt the Contract Administration Policy for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #3. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

3. Approval to adopt the Duplication of Benefits Policy for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #4. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

4. Approval to adopt the Language Action Plan for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #5. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

5. Approval to adopt the Monitoring Plan for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #6. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

6. Approval to adopt the Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #7. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

7. Approval to adopt the Residential Anti-displacement Plan for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #8. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

8. Approval to adopt the Section 3 Plan for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Eddie Ware to add #9. Shanel Handy opposed. Motion is not carried.

- 9. Approval to adopt the Section 504 Communication Policy for the federal funding for the Office of Community Development grant.
- F. HIRING COMMITTEE KELLY BAILEY None
- G. ENVIRONMENTAL & REGULATORY COMMITTEE ERNEST DICKERSON, JR. None

5. PUBLIC HEARING:

None

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- A. General Beauregard Aware Recipient for July 2025 Reeves Auction and Livestock, LLC, Established in 2018. Owners: Danny and Debbie Reeves are present to accept the award.
- B. Recognition of Beauregard Parish Employee, Dalton Isbell for 35 years of service. Mr. Isbell is not present.
- C. Recognition of Beauregard Parish Employee, Cayden Robinson for 5 years of service. Cayden is present to receive the award.
- D. Recognition of Beauregard Parish Employee, Paul Cuevas Retirement on July 8, 2025. Mr. Cuevas is not present.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the regular meeting minutes of May 2025, was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

8. CHAIRPERSON COMMITTEE REPORT(S):

A. FINANCE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

1. Approval of the June Accounts Payable register in the amount of \$1,545,070.09 and the Payroll Register in the amount of \$269,247.79.

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

2. Review and approval of the monthly financial statements and budgets to actual comparison for May 2025 Financials.

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

3. Approval to restore Parks and Recreation Fund as it was in May 2025.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval to move forward with the Architect Drawing to secure Reception Area of the Beauregard Parish Police Jury Administration Building.

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

5. Approval to allocate LGAP allocation for the Beauregard Covered Arena.

A motion was made by Jeffery Meadows and seconded by James Hillebrandt. Opposed by Elizabeth Montgomery. Motion carried.

6. Approval to evaluate the sound system in the Beauregard Parish Police Jury boardroom and entertain a new audio/visual meeting program/software.

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

7. Approval for Constables and Justices of the Peace to attend the 2025 Fall in-person Justices of the Peace and Constables Training Conference at the Live! Casino and Hotel in Shreveport, LA on September 24th and 25th, 2025. The conference cost is \$275.00 per person and hotel accommodations of \$110.00 per night with mileage and meals to be determined.

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

8. Approval to authorize the Parish President to sign a letter for FEMA project assistance.

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

9. Approval to bid six used dump trucks not to exceed \$660,000.00 using American Rescue Plan fund.

A motion was made by Nelson Morgan and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

10. Approval of 360 Road Survey GIS services with Fenstermaker & Associates in the amount of \$22,000.00.

A motion was made by Nelson Morgan and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

11. Approval for two attendees to attend the 20205 Keep Louisiana Beautiful State Conference to be held September 22nd - 24th, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Early bird registration is \$190.83 per person with travel, hotel accommodations, and meals to be determined.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. Kelly Bailey opposed. Motion carried.

12. Approval to apply for the Waste Tire Grant.

A motion was made by Nelson Morgan and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

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A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Nelson Morgan. No one opposed. Motion carried.

B. ROAD & BRIDGE - JAMES HILLEBRANDT:

1. Approval of May Emergency Work orders in the amount of \$845.19

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval to update the survey of Robert Clark Road.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. James Hillebrandt and Micheal Harper are opposed. Motion carried.

3. Approval to add Boxwood Church Road to the 2025 Chipseal List for Road District 2 with an estimated cost of \$6,000.00.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

4. Approval of preliminary plat and application for Atticus Acres Phase II in Road District 8.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

C. PERSONNEL - EDDIE WARE:

1. Approval to reappoint Erik L. Bailey to the Bundick Lake Game & Fish Commission Board.

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

D. WAYS AND MEANS - NELSON MORGAN:

1. Approval of October 2025 elections to be moved to the November 2025 election for Road District 2 and April 2026 election for Road District 7 and 8.

A motion was made by Nelson Morgan and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval to adopt a resolution acting as the governing authority of (i) Road District Number Two of the Parish of Beauregard, Louisiana, (ii) Road District Number 7 of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana and (iii) Road District Number 8 of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana (the Districts), to authorize the cancellation of the special elections previously called by the Police Jury to be held on October 11, 2025.

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- E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY:
- F. HIRING COMMITTEE KELLY BAILEY: None
- G. ENVIRONMENTAL & REGULATORY COMMITTEE ERNEST DICKERSON, JR.:
 None
- 9. <u>SECRETARY / TREASURER'S COMMENTS ANDREA COUCH:</u>
 None
- 10. $\frac{\text{ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS} \text{DAMON COOLEY}}{\text{None}}$:

Michael Harper stated that if there was no further business to come before the Beauregard Parish Police Jury in the Regular Session this $8^{\rm th}$ day of July 2025, he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Montgomery and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

ANDREA COUCH SECRETARY MICHEAL E. HARPER

PRESIDENT