



Beauregard Parish Police Jury

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District 1 <u>Luke</u> Dickerson	District 2 <u>Jeffery</u> Meadows	District 3A <u>Shanel</u> Handy	District 3B <u>Eddie</u> Ware	District 3C <u>Beth</u> Montgomery	District 3D <u>Mike</u> Harper	District 3E <u>Jerry</u> Shirley	District 4A <u>O.B.</u> Morgan	District 4B <u>Doug</u> Hillebrand	District 5 <u>Kelly</u> Bailey
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF BEAUREGARD,
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JANUARY
14, 2025

The Police Jury of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana,
met in regular session on January 14, 2025, at six (6:00)
o'clock p.m.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Beauregard was duly convened as
the governing authority of said Parish by President Mike Harper.

1. ROLL CALL

Roll call attendance with there being present: Police Jurors;
James Hillebrandt, Jeffery Meadows, Eddie Ware, Mike Harper,
Jerry Shirley, Elizabeth Montgomery, and Nelson Morgan.

There being absent: Luke Dickerson, Shanel Handy, and Kelly
Bailey.

2. INVOCATION

Jerry Shirley

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jerry Shirley

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. You're invited to attend the 105th Annual Chamber
Installation Banquet, Thursday January 16th at 6pm at the
Beauregard Parish Fair Exhibit Hall.
- B. You are cordially invited to join us for the grand opening
of the office of the Louisiana Armed Forces Alliance on
Friday, January 31st from 11:30am - 1:00pm at the historic
Vernon Courthouse located on 203 S. Third Street in
Leesville.
- C. Beauregard Council on Aging will hold an informative
session on healthy eating, Thursday January 16th at 10am at
104 West Port Street.
- D. DeRidder High School Dragon Baseball will hold their
fundraising "Big Blue Banquet" starting at 6pm, Friday
January 17th at the Beauregard Parish Fairgrounds Exhibition
Hall.

5. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF PRESIDENT FOR 2025

Mike Harper opened nominations for President of the Police
Jury for 2025.

Eddie Ware nominated Mike Harper to remain as President for
2025.

No other nominations were made.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware to close nominations and seconded by Nelson Morgan. No one opposed. Motion carried.

6. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR 2025

Mike Harper opened nominations for Vice President of the Police Jury for 2025.

James Hillebrandt nominated Eddie Ware to remain as Vice President for 2025.

No other nominations were made.

A motion was made by Doug Hillebrandt to close nominations and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

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

A. FINANCE - KELLY BAILEY

A motion was made by Jerry Shirley to add item #7a and 7b, seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

7. Approval of LGAP Projects for year 2025-2026

- a. Boiler/Chiller Improvements at the jail facility
- b. Road Improvements in Road Districts

B. ROAD & BRIDGE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

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

4. Approval to enter into a CEA with Boy Scouts of America Calcasieu Area Council to provide 30 tons of salvage rap material to fill potholes for the Beauregard Parish location.

C. PERSONNEL - SHANEL HANDY

None

D. WAYS & MEANS - EDDIE WARE

None

E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY

None

F. HIRING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY

None

G. ENVIRONMENTAL & REGULATORY COMMITTEE - LUKE DICKERSON

None

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

9. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. The abandonment of Bill Smith Rd, located in Section 19 of Township 5 South, Range 8 West, in Road District #4, Beauregard Parish, Louisiana, total length of 739 feet or .14 mile(s). NOTE: road access is gated.
- B. The abandonment of Ira Cooley Rd, located in Section 28 of Township 4 South, Range 10 West, in Road District #5, Beauregard Parish, Louisiana, total length of 739 feet or .14 mile(s).
- C. The abandonment of Rathel Burgess Rd, located in Section 5 of Township 5 South, Range 810 West, in Road District #5, Beauregard Parish, Louisiana, total length of 475 feet or .09 mile(s).
- D. The abandonment of Brandi Rd, located in Section 17 of Township 5 South, Range 10 West, in Road District #5, Beauregard Parish, Louisiana, total length of 370 feet or .07 mile(s).
- E. The abandonment of Carol Lane, located in Section 22 of Township 7 South, Range 10 West, in Road District #6, Beauregard Parish, Louisiana, total length of 977 feet or .185 mile(s).

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval to adopt the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2024.

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

9. CHAIRPERSON COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

A. FINANCE - KELLY BAILEY

- 1. Approval of the October Accounts Payable register in the amount of \$1,893,363.18 and the Payroll Register in the amount of \$245,918.23.

A motion was made by Jerry Shirley and seconded by Jeffery Meadows. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- 2. Review and approve the monthly financial statements and budgets to actual comparison & November 2024 Financials.

A motion was made by Jerry Shirley and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- 3. Approval of Annual COLA increase of 2.5% for the Beauregard Parish Dog Pound in the amount of \$5,590.02, an increase of \$136.34.

A motion was made by Jerry Shirley and seconded by James Hillebrandt. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- 4. Approval of the March 31, 2024 audit.

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

- 5. Approval for Dianna Nichols to attend the Association of State Floodplain Managers Conference, May 18-22, 2025

in New Orleans. No charge for registration. Hotel is \$179 per night and travel to be determined.

A motion was made by Jerry Shirley and seconded by Elizabeth Montgomery. No one opposed. Motion carried.

6. Approval to amend the ordinance section 14-73(G) increase the meeting pay for Waterworks District 3 Board members from \$60.00 to \$100.00.

A motion was made by Jerry Shirley and seconded by Nelson Morgan. Elizabeth Montgomery recused herself from voting. No one opposed. Motion carried.

7. Approval of LGAP Projects for year 2025-2026

- a. Boiler/Chillier Improvements at the jail facility
- b. Road Improvements in Road Districts

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

B. ROAD AND BRIDGE - JEFFERY MEADOWS

1. Approval of December Emergency Work Orders totaling \$5,384.79.

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

2. Approval to abandon the following roads:

- a. Bill Smith Road (off Longville Road), Road District 4

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

- b. Ira Cooley (off John Bowman Rd) Road District 5

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

- c. Rathel Burgess, Road District 5

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

- d. Brandi Road, Road District 5

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

- e. Carol Lane (off Dickerson), Road District 6

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

3. Approval of road name change from Noah Reed Road to John E. Barrett Road, Road District 8.

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

4. Approval to enter into a CEA with Boy Scouts of America Calcasieu Area Council to provide 30 tons of salvage rap material to fill potholes. (Facility located in Beauregard Parish).

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

C. PERSONNEL - SHANEL HANDY

1. Approval of employee benefits effective January 12th for the following:

- a. Leamon Moore, Road District 4

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

- b. Gregory Pierce, Road District 6

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

2. Approval of appointments to the Fire Protection District 2 Board:

President Mike Harper initiated a roll call vote as follows:

- a. Anthony Deville

MEMBERS:	YEAS:	NAYS:	ABSENT:	ABSTAINING:
James Hillebrandt	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Ernest Dickerson, Jr	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Jeffery Meadows	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Eddie Ware	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mike Harper	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jerry Shirley	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Elizabeth Montgomery	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Nelson Morgan	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Shanel Handy	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Kelly Bailey	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

- b. Keith Bodin

MEMBERS:	YEAS:	NAYS:	ABSENT:	ABSTAINING:
James Hillebrandt	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Ernest Dickerson, Jr	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Jeffery Meadows	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Eddie Ware	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mike Harper	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jerry Shirley	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Elizabeth Montgomery	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Nelson Morgan	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Shanel Handy	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Kelly Bailey	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

c. David Higginbotham

MEMBERS:	YEAS:	NAYS:	ABSENT:	ABSTAINING:
James Hillebrandt	_____	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Ernest Dickerson, Jr	_____	_____	<u> X </u>	_____
Jeffery Meadows	_____	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Eddie Ware	_____	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Mike Harper	_____	_____	_____	_____
Jerry Shirley	_____	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Elizabeth Montgomery	_____	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Nelson Morgan	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Shanel Handy	_____	_____	<u> X </u>	_____
Kelly Bailey	_____	_____	<u> X </u>	_____

3. Approval to reappoint Jerald Cooley, Jr. to the Waterworks District 5 Board.

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

D. WAYS AND MEANS - EDDIE WARE

1. Approval of Amended Ordinance No. 2-2012, Section 3-5 (e) Whoever violates this section on the first offense shall be cited under this Ordinance and required to pay a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00), plus applicable court costs along with a twenty dollar (\$20.00) recovery fee payable to the Beauregard Parish Animal Shelter for recovery of their dog.

David Morgan asked the Police Jury if they intend for the fine and the recovery fee to go to the shelter. Also, this item is not what's provided in the packet. Subsections e, f, g, and h will need to be amended to say the same thing of wanting the fees to go to the animal shelter.

Mike Harper said his intent was for this item to go into committee today but that didn't happen. It's an oversight on my part.

A motion was made by Eddie Ware to table this item to bring it to the committee. Jerry Shirley seconded the motion. No one opposed. Motion carried.

2. Approval for Ms. Elona Weston, Beauregard Museum Director, to place historical markers streetside in front of the Courthouse and Gothic Jail pending grant approval.

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

3. Approval to adopt the Parliamentary Procedure of Robert's Rules of Order.

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

4. Approval of Screening Ordinance.

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

E. POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY
None

F. HIRING COMMITTEE - JERRY SHIRLEY
None

G. ENVIRONMENTAL & REGULATORY COMMITTEE - LUKE DICKERSON
None

10. SECRETARY COMMENTS
A.

11. TREASURER'S COMMENTS - ANDREA COUCH
A. None


12. ADMINISTRATORS COMMENTS - DAMON COOLEY
A. I would like to thank Mr. Danny Simmons and Mr. Todd Disatell for the work they did on refurbishing our table.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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 January 2025, he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

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


MARGARET LYONS
SECRETARY


MICHAEL E. HARPER
PRESIDENT