

REGULAR MEETING UNION PARISH POLICE JURY

Farmerville, Louisiana
January 2nd, 2018

The Union Parish Police Jury met this date in regular session in the Police Jury meeting room, Courthouse Annex, Farmerville, Louisiana with the following present: Charles Sawyer, Jerry W. Taylor, Glenn Hutto, Derek S. Kennedy, Nathan Futch, Mike Jones, Lanny Parker and John Watley. Absent: Stan Smith. Also present was Bruce Hampton, Assistant District Attorney. The President called the session to order and welcomed all guests. Mr. Parker offered the invocation and Mr. Hutto led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Hampton conducted the election for the 2018 President of the Union Parish Police Jury. Jerry Taylor was nominated by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Futch. No other nominations were made and Mr. Hampton declared the nominations closed for President. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Hampton declared Mr. Taylor President by acclamation.

Mr. Hampton asked for nominations for Vice-President. Derek Kennedy was nominated by Mr. Hutto, seconded by Mr. Parker. No other nominations were made and Mr. Hampton declared the nominations closed for Vice-President. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Hampton declared Mr. Kennedy as Vice-President. At this time, Mr. Hampton turns the floor over to Mr. Taylor, newly elected President of the Union Parish Police Jury to finish conducting the meeting.

At this time, newly elected President Taylor addressed Mr. Sawyer and thanked him for his service as Parish President for the last three years. President Taylor also thanked Mr. Hutto for having served as Vice-President for the last three years. Mr. Taylor stated that there is a lack of funds and we will never have all the money that we need to address all of the issues that the Parish faces. The Jurors will sometimes disagree and disagreements should be looked at as something positive that can force us to look closer at the issues at hand and to do what is best for the Parish. Mr. Taylor told the Jurors that each one has something unique to bring to the table and that he has experienced that firsthand. He also thanked everyone for serving and said that he looked forward to the opportunity to work with them. Mr. Taylor passed out a short questionnaire concerning priorities in the Districts and asked the Jurors to fill it out and return it.

President Taylor welcomed the visitors in the audience and asked if anyone in the audience would like to register for public comment. The public was given the opportunity to comment on any item shown on the agenda. No comment was made.

After the opportunity for public comment was given, a Motion was made by Mr. Hutto, seconded by Mr. Watley and declared adopted by unanimous roll call vote of the Jury to approve the agenda with no changes.

Motion Mr. Sawyer, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to adopt the minutes of the December 5th, 2017 regular meeting and December 19th, 2017 special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sawyer to adopt the Revenues and Expenditures Report for the month of December 2017. Motion carried unanimously.


A brief discussion was held on changing the time of the monthly meetings. **Motion Mr. Sawyer, seconded by Mr. Kennedy setting the regular monthly meetings of the Union Parish Police Jury to be held at the Courthouse Annex on the first (1st) Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

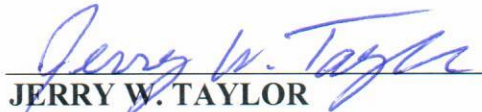
Motion Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Watley authorizing the removal of Charles Sawyer and Glenn Hutto from the bank signature cards; adding Jerry Taylor and Derek Kennedy to the bank signature cards and the execution of all necessary documents for this purpose. Authorization for the other personnel already listed on the bank signature cards remain in effect. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Sawyer to approve the request of Lane Rugg, Road Department Superintendent, to hire Dustin Rhodes for full time employment effective January 8th, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

In accordance with Ordinance 549, time for public comment was given. No comment was made.

There being no further business to come before the Jury, the President declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Futch on this the 2nd day of January, 2018.


PAULA STRICKLAND
Secretary-Treasurer


JERRY W. TAYLOR
President