

SPECIAL MEETING UNION PARISH POLICE JURY

**Farmerville, Louisiana
August 11, 2016**

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

President Charles Sawyer asked if anyone in the audience would like to register for public comment. No one registered.

After the opportunity for public comment, Motion Mr. Parker, seconded Mr. Watley and declared adopted by unanimous vote of the Jury to approve the agenda with one addition:

- 13. Discuss and take action, if necessary, lowering the speed limit on Ford Road from 30 to 20 MPH on the present boundaries that currently exist.**

**YEAS: Nine (Sawyer, Parker, Hutto, Futch, Smith, Kennedy, Taylor, Jones & Watley)
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None**

Motion made by Mr. Watley and seconded by Mr. Hutto to bring before the jury whether or not to accept the bid of Ben Allen, Inc. regarding various bridge projects. Mr. Taylor asked that Mr. Allen work with the engineer to find ways to cut costs. In the past Mr. Allen has worked with other parishes and he has been able to cut costs. If he is able to cut costs he will put in a change order to reduce the amount of the project.

**YEAS: Six (Sawyer, Hutto, Parker, Taylor, Smith and Watley)
NAYS: Three (Kennedy, Futch and Jones)
ABSTAINED: NONE
ABSENT: NONE**

Motion made by Mr. Watley and seconded by Mr. Hutto to accept the Final Change Order regarding Linville Fire Tower Road, Feazel Road and Liberty Hill Road for an increase in the amount of \$28,702.20 and have the president sign all the necessary paperwork. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Watley and seconded by Mr. Jones to declare an emergency on Loch Lomond Road and immediately reduce the speed limit to 15 MPH. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Watley and seconded by Mr. Taylor authorizing President Sawyer to sign all the necessary paperwork relating to a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the State of Louisiana through the Department of Transportation and Development and Union Parish Police Jury for the Temporary Use of Concrete Barriers. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on Pappy's Place Road. No action taken.

Discussion on registering for LA One Call. No action taken.

Motion made by Mr. Parker and seconded by Mr. Watley to accept the 2015 financial audit presented by Bosch & Statham. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by John Watley and seconded by Mr. Parker to lower the speed limit on Ford Road from 30 MPH to 20 MPH on the present boundaries that currently exist. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Jury, the President declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Hutto, seconded by Mr. Taylor on this the 11th day of August, 2016.

s/ Paula Strickland
Paula Strickland, Secretary-Treasurer

s/ CharlesSawyer
Charles Sawyer, President