

## **REGULAR MEETING UNION PARISH POLICE JURY**

**Farmerville, Louisiana  
August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**

**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, Mike Jones, Derek S. Kennedy, Lanny Parker, Stan Smith, Nathan Futch and John Watley. Absent: Glenn Hutto. Also present was Bruce Hampton, Assistant District Attorney. The President called the session to order and welcomed all guests. Mr. Taylor offered the invocation and Mr. Watley led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**

President Sawyer 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. Parker, seconded by Mr. Taylor and declared adopted by unanimous roll call vote of the Jury to approve the agenda with one addition:**

- 18      Discuss and take action, if necessary, on posting a speed limit of 35 MPH on a portion of Liberty Baptist Church Road.**

**Motion Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Watley and declared adopted by unanimous roll call vote to adopt the minutes of the July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 regular meeting with the following corrections:**

**“The Daily alternative cover for the landfill should be awarded to Landfill Solutions, Space Savers, Inc. and Enviro Services based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed. Bid covers the period of July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018.”**

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

**Motion Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Taylor to grant a Quietus on the 2016 Tax Roll. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Parker to execute a resolution authorizing and approving execution of an equipment lease agreement with Bancorpsouth Equipment Finance and authorizing the president to sign all necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Jones to enter into a Cooperative Agreement between the Union Parish Police Jury and Louisiana Department of Veterans**

**Affairs concerning support for the local Veterans Affairs office (\$910 from 7/1/17 – 12/30/17 and \$796 from 1/1/18 – 6/30/18) and authorize the President to execute all necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Taylor to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and execute a Quitclaim Deed between Union Parish Police Jury and Town of Farmerville with regards to the old Union Community Action Center and authorize the President to execute all necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to declare the red brick building located at 80 South Washington Street, Farmerville, as surplus property and authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to advertise its sale to the general public with a minimum bid of \$14,000. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Watley to allow the Kings Lake Homeowners Association to change out the street signs, posts and post brackets at their expense according to state codes for setting signs; signs will be 9-inch blue signs with white 6-inch letters trimmed in white. Motion carried unanimously.**

**ORDINANCE #776**

**AN ORDINANCE REDUCING THE SPEED LIMIT OF 35 MILES PER HOUR ON HAILARD MOORE ROAD TO 20 MPH IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SETTING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.**

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Union Parish that a maximum speed limit for any truck, car, motorcycle or any other equipment traveling on **Hailard Moore Road**, shall not exceed **20** miles per hour.

SECTION II: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Union Parish, State of Louisiana, that any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of this ordinance, upon conviction, shall not exceed the maximum fine for speeding upon a state highway plus court cost.

SECTION III: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any section, sentence, clause or words of this ordinance shall be held invalid by any court of final jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the validity of any other section.

SECTION IV: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that ordinance or parts of ordinance in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced by **Mr. Watley**, who moved its adoption and duly seconded by **Mr. Jones** and was then adopted by the following YEA and NAY vote:

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| YEAS:   | Eight (Sawyer, Parker, Taylor, Kennedy, Futch, Smith, Jones and Watley) |
| NAYS:   | None  |
| ABSENT: | Hutto   |

WHEREUPON, the Ordinance was declared duly adopted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2017.

s/ Paula Strickland  
**PAULA STRICKLAND**  
**SECRETARY-TREASURER**  
**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY**

s/ Charles Sawyer  
**CHARLES SAWYER**  
**PRESIDENT**  
**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY**

**Motion Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Parker to contract with Roadside Vegetation Management Specialists for vegetation control services at the rate of \$200 per bridge and authorize the president to sign all necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Taylor to use Davidson dirt pit for the Rocky Branch Road project and any other road project deemed necessary by the Road Superintendent; cost of the dirt will be \$1.00 a yard. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Parker to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to advertise for a maintenance person to work at the Union Parish Detention Center. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Parker to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to advertise for a CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) to work at the Union Parish Health Unit. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Watley to hire Danielle Smith on a temporary basis to work part time at the Annex with a pay rate of \$9.00 per hour and not to exceed 28 hours per week. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to accept the 2016 financial audit presented by Bosch & Statham. Motion carried unanimously.**

**ORDINANCE #777**

**AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SPEED LIMIT OF 35 MILES PER HOUR ON LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH ROAD FROM THE INTERSECTION OF BRIDGES TAYLOR ROAD TO THE INTERSECTION OF MINA PARKER ROAD (APPROXIMATELY HALF A MILE) AND SETTING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.**

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Union Parish that a maximum speed limit for any truck, car, motorcycle or any other equipment traveling on **Liberty Baptist Church Road from the intersection of Bridges Taylor Road to the intersection of Mina Parker Road**, shall not exceed **35** miles per hour.

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In accordance with Ordinance 549, time for public comment was given. **Ronnie Cole**, 108 Adam Circle, Ruston, LA, is requesting that the dumpsters be put back on Spillway Road and the use of inmate labor be utilized to pick up trash on the side of the road. **J. B. Thoman**, 236 Duty Road, Farmerville, addressed the jury concerning debris in the ditches on Duty Road. **Emily Ward**, 250 Deloutre Switch Road, addressed the jury about an employee at the 911 office. **Charlene Carter**, 793 Gatson Road, addressed the jury concerning County Line, Gatson and Daniel Road.

**There being no further business to come before the Jury, the President declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Parker on this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2017.**

*Paula Strickland*  
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**Secretary-Treasurer**

*Charles Sawyer*  
**CHARLES SAWYER**  
**President**