

SPECIAL MEETING UNION PARISH POLICE JURY

Farmerville, Louisiana
December 19th, 2019

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, Ben Bridges, Stan Smith, Mike Jones and John Watley. Absent: Glenn Hutto and Nathan Futch. Also present was Tracy Houck, Assistant District Attorney. The President called the meeting to order and welcomed all visitors. Mr. Bridges offered the invocation and Mr. Watley led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Parker would like to remember the Don Nyegaard family. Mr. Nyegaard worked for the police jury as a road superintendent. His daughter, Lisa Salley, currently works for the Union Parish Detention Center.

Mr. Smith would like to remember the family of Marvin Jones. Mr. Jones was the father-in-law of Glenn Hutto, Police Juror District 4. Mr. Jones was the owner of Louisiana Bridge.

Mr. Taylor would like to remember the family of Ernest Ramsey. Mr. Ramsey is the father of Dewayne Ramsey, Police Juror Elect District 3.

President Taylor asked if anyone in the audience would like to register for public comment. At this time the public was given the opportunity to comment on any item shown on the agenda. No comment was made on agenda items.

Motion by Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Bridges and declared adopted by unanimous roll call vote of the Jury to approve the agenda as written.

The Secretary/Treasurer reported that there are two expenditures that need to be moved from the proposed 2019 amended budget that was presented to the Finance Committee in November. The garbage truck is not going to be delivered in December. The bed for the truck is on backorder and after conferring with the auditor that expenditure should be included in the 2020 budget. Also, the new dumpsters at the Landfill will not be delivered in December and that expenditure is being appropriated in the 2020 budget.

The Secretary/Treasurer presented a brief report on the Detention Center. The new locking system is being installed at the Detention Center and will be paid for in 2019. There is a proposed transfer of \$400,000 to the Detention Center in the 2019 amended budget. Mr. Taylor thanked Mr. Parker for working with the Detention Center over the years.

Motion Mr. Sawyer, seconded by Mr. Watley to amend the 2019 budgets as presented below. Motion carried unanimously. The 2019 revised final budgets are:

GENERAL FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	1,699,874.00
Revenues and Other Sources	1,787,260.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-2,023,450.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,463,684.00

ROAD MAINTENANCE

Beginning Fund Balance	1,466,696.00
Revenues and Other Sources	1,462,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-1,788,500.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,140,196.00

ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Beginning Fund Balance	1,992,321.00
Revenues and Other Sources	1,421,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-1,182,225.00
Ending Fund Balance	2,231,596.00

LIBRARY

Beginning Fund Balance	1,444,270.00
Revenues and Other Sources	516,700.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-598,001.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,362,969.00

UNEMPLOYMENT

Beginning Fund Balance	1,034.00
Revenues and Other Sources	12,300.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-10,500.00
Ending Fund Balance	2,834.00

AIRPORT

Beginning Fund Balance	23,513.00
Revenues and Other Sources	37,200.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-36,660.00
Ending Fund Balance	24,053.00

OFF-DUTY OFFICER WITNESS FEES

Beginning Fund Balance	11,883.00
Revenues and Other Sources	4,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-3,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	12,883.00

DETENTION CENTER

Beginning Fund Balance	164,007.00
Revenues and Other Sources	3,578,750.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-3,214,300.00
Ending Fund Balance	528,457.00

HEALTH UNIT

Beginning Fund Balance	916,054.00
Revenues and Other Sources	8,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-177,325.00
Ending Fund Balance	747,229.00

SALES TAX - LANDFILL

Beginning Fund Balance	10,844,732.00
Revenues and Other Sources	3,821,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-5,614,380.00
Ending Fund Balance	9,051,852.00

UNION PARISH LITTER COURT

Beginning Fund Balance	147.00
Revenues and Other Sources	4,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-3,915.00
Ending Fund Balance	232.00

UNION PARISH COMM DIST

Beginning Fund Balance	149,151.00
Revenues and Other Sources	349,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-301,950.00
Ending Fund Balance	196,201.00

COLLECTIONS - SALES TAX

Beginning Fund Balance	229,744.00
Revenues and Other Sources	1,000,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-1,017,600.00
Ending Fund Balance	212,144.00

HUD SECTION 8

Beginning Fund Balance	14,348.00
Revenues and Other Sources	570,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-566,262.00
Ending Fund Balance	18,086.00

HOMELAND SECURITY

Beginning Fund Balance	58.00
Revenues and Other Sources	32,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-32,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	58.00

Motion Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Sawyer to open a public hearing on the 2020 budgets. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the jury. President Taylor declared a public hearing in session to discuss the 2020 budgets. President Taylor stated that the proposed 2020

budget has been prepared and available at the Annex. There were no comments. Motion Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Smith to close the public hearing. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the jury.

Motion Mr. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Sawyer to adopt the 2020 budgets as presented below. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	1,459,476.00
Revenues and Other Sources	3,038,785.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-3,014,515.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,483,746.00

ROAD MAINTENANCE

Beginning Fund Balance	1,000,457.00
Revenues and Other Sources	1,892,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-1,862,880.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,030,077.00

ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Beginning Fund Balance	2,238,062.00
Revenues and Other Sources	866,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-853,300.00
Ending Fund Balance	2,250,762.00

LIBRARY

Beginning Fund Balance	1,434,372.00
Revenues and Other Sources	524,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-611,971.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,346,901.00

UNEMPLOYMENT

Beginning Fund Balance	1,034.00
Revenues and Other Sources	16,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-10,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	7,034.00

AIRPORT

Beginning Fund Balance	10,314.00
Revenues and Other Sources	40,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-39,610.00
Ending Fund Balance	11,204.00

OFF-DUTY OFFICER WITNESS FEES

Beginning Fund Balance	14,399.00
Revenues and Other Sources	4,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-2,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	16,399.00

DETENTION CENTER

Beginning Fund Balance	30,862.00
Revenues and Other Sources	4,138,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-3,778,200.00
Ending Fund Balance	391,162.00

HEALTH UNIT

Beginning Fund Balance	787,945.00
Revenues and Other Sources	11,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-179,700.00
Ending Fund Balance	619,245.00

SALES TAX - LANDFILL

Beginning Fund Balance	11,680,572.00
Revenues and Other Sources	3,821,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-6,302,605.00
Ending Fund Balance	9,198,967.00

UNION PARISH LITTER COURT

Beginning Fund Balance	197.00
Revenues and Other Sources	4,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-3,915.00
Ending Fund Balance	282.00

UNION PARISH COMM DIST

Beginning Fund Balance	187,926.00
Revenues and Other Sources	346,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-311,905.00
Ending Fund Balance	222,021.00

COLLECTIONS - SALES TAX

Beginning Fund Balance	419,254.00
Revenues and Other Sources	1,000,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-1,184,925.00
Ending Fund Balance	234,829.00

HUD SECTION 8

Beginning Fund Balance	9,422.00
Revenues and Other Sources	634,500.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-626,918.00
Ending Fund Balance	17,004.00

HOMELAND SECURITY

Beginning Fund Balance	58.00
Revenues and Other Sources	60,000.00
Expenses and Other Uses	-60,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	58.00

Motion Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Parker to appoint Joseph A. Cusimano, Jr. to the Union Parish Tourist Commission Board as Chairman of the Board for a term of one year with his term expiring 12/31/20; the appointment of Larry Pixley (District 2) to the Union Parish Tourist Commission for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2023; and the appointment of Paula Strickland (District 6) for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Sawyer to re-appoint Dannye Murphey and Bruce Dendy to the Bernice Area Fire Protection District Board for a three-year extension beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Parker to amend the 2019 budget and approve the 2020 budget for the North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory Commission. (This commission serves thirteen parishes. Although the police juries are not responsible for its day to day operations, State law mandates that they adopt its budget.) Motion carried unanimously.

A brief discussion concerning the road material bids and supplies was had. The Secretary/Treasurer reported that Hobson and Son had submitted a bid for sand. The Secretary/Treasurer consulted with Trevor Fry of Gold Weems. The bid from Hobson and Son will not be accepted because the bid would result in a violation of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics. Mrs. Abercrombie's (Police Juror Elect for District 8) father and brother own Hobson and Son. Even though Mrs. Abercrombie is not a public servant yet once she becomes a police juror the Louisiana Ethics Code would prohibit any transactions dealing with Hobson and Son. **Motion Mr. Watley, seconded by Mr. Jones, that the following action should be taken on the road material bids for the period of January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020:**

- Gasoline and diesel fuel should be awarded to Hill Oil Co. (only bidder).
- CRS-2 Asphalt Emulsion - Bid should be awarded to Asphalt Products Unlimited and Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions, Inc. based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
- AEP Asphalt Emulsion Prime – Bid should be awarded to Asphalt Products Unlimited (only bidder).
- MC-30 Cutback Asphalt – Bid should be awarded to Asphalt Products Unlimited (only bidder).

- Spiral metal culverts – Bid should be awarded to Coastal Culvert & Supply, Inc. and Coburn's based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
 - Polyethylene pipe - Bid should be awarded to Coastal Culvert & Supply, Inc., Irrigation-Mart, and Coburn's based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
 - Concrete Pipe – Coastal Culvert & Supply, Inc. and Coburn's based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
 - Hot Mix and Cold Mix – Bid should be award to Amethyst Construction and Dreher Contracting, LLC based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
 - Maintenance rock, oversize rock, clay gravel, fill sand, pea gravel, and concrete sand – Bid should be awarded to Standard Gravel, Arkansas Gravel Co., Inc. and Marco Farms based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
 - Granite rock – Bid should be awarded to R. E. Bentz, Inc. (only bidder).
- Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Watley to approve the application for a beer and liquor license for the year 2020 for Wilderness Acres pending all necessary documents/paperwork are received and authorize the President to execute all necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Sawyer to hire Grant Hill for full time employment effective December 23, 2019 at the Landfill with a rate of pay of \$11.00 per hour; with his time being counted back to his original hire date of April 22, 2019. He is eligible for all police jury benefits including retirement, insurance, vacation, sick leave and holiday pay. Motion carried unanimously.


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

President Taylor thanked the jurors for their service and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mr. Parker thanked everyone on the Jury for serving. Mr. Parker thanked Mr. Sawyer and Mr. Taylor for their service over the years on the Detention Center Commission board.

There being no further business to come before the Jury, the President declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Sawyer on this the 19th day of December, 2019.


 PAULA STRICKLAND
 Secretary/Treasurer


 JERRY W. TAYLOR
 President