

**DETENTION CENTER COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
JULY 16, 2019**

**The Detention Center Commission met this date at 1:30 P.M. in the Union Parish Police Jury meeting room, Union Parish Courthouse Annex, Farmerville, Louisiana. Present were: Lanny Parker (Union Parish Police Jury), Jerry W. Taylor (Union Parish Police Jury), Dusty Gates (Union Parish Sheriff), John Belton (District Attorney) and Chief Bim Coulbertson (Town of Farmerville).**

Mr. Parker called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Warden Hanson led the group in prayer. Roll call was taken. Mr. Parker asked if anyone in the audience would like to register for public comment to speak. Mr. Parker addressed the commission members and asked that they remember Mr. Belton's father, who is going through some serious health issues.

**Motion made by Chief Coulbertson, seconded by Sheriff Gates and declared adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote to approve the agenda as written.**

**Motion made by Sheriff Gates, seconded by Chief Coulbertson to adopt the minutes of the Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Taylor addressed the commission regarding the road department and the inmates. Mr. Taylor has major issues with the inmates having access to the keys at the road barn. Mr. Taylor said that he understands that there may be times when the inmates need access to vehicle keys to perform work on the vehicles, but he also thinks that the inmates should be supervised. A locking mechanism can be put on the steering wheel or a boot could be put on the tire to prevent the inmates from driving off. The commission requested that the inmates be supervised more closely and that a locking key box be installed for vehicle keys. The Secretary/Treasurer will check on the price of a new monitor that will work with the existing security system. The road department secretary will be able to watch the monitor from her desk.

**Motion made by Chief Coulbertson and seconded by Sheriff Gates for the Commission to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel/security issues. Roll call vote: YEAS 4, NAYS 0, ABSENT 1.**

*Mr. Belton enters the meeting during executive session and leaves during executive session.*

**Motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Chief Coulbertson for the Commission to come out of executive session and to return to the meeting; no action taken in executive session. Roll call vote: YEAS 4, NAYS 0, ABSENT 1.**

**There being no further business to come before the commission, Mr. Parker declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Sheriff Gates, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019.**

**Lanny Parker, Chairman  
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer**