

**DETENTION CENTER COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
December 10th, 2020**

The Detention Center Commission met this date at 3:00 P.M. in the Union Parish Police Jury meeting room, Union Parish Courthouse Annex, Farmerville, Louisiana. Present were: Johnny Buckley (Union Parish Police Jury), Nathan Pilgreen (Union Parish Police Jury) and Dusty Gates (Union Parish Sheriff). Absent: John Belton (District Attorney) and Chief Bim Coulbertson. Also present: Donnie Adams, Warden.

Mr. Buckley called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Sheriff Gates led the group in prayer. Roll call was taken. Mr. Buckley asked if anyone in the audience would like to register for public comment to speak.

Motion made by Sheriff Gates, seconded by Mr. Pilgreen and declared adopted by Roll Call vote to approve the agenda as written.

Motion made by Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Sheriff Gates to adopt the minutes of the Thursday, September 17th, 2020 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Transitional Work Program and Warden Comments

Warden Adams presented a brief update due to the TWP Director being on leave. One of the work release dorms is on quarantine as of December 3, 2020 and they will be off quarantine on December 20, 2020. While the inmates are in quarantine DOC will pay the normal daily rate. There is a total of eighty-seven (87) TWP offenders participating in the work release program as of today. Seven (7) offenders were recently removed for intoxication and mojo. There are ten (10) potential inmates for the work release program. Warden Adams reported that overall the facility is running well.

The Secretary/Treasurer presented the 2021 proposed Detention Center budget and the 2020 proposed revised budget. She reported that the budgets have been presented to the Union Parish Police Jury Finance Committee, but will not be adopted until December 17, 2020. The state fund income and TWP income are based on analyzing previous years and on what has been generated for the year 2020.

Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Sheriff Gates to accept the 2021 proposed operating budget for the Detention Center and the 2020 proposed revised budget for the Detention Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Sheriff Gates and seconded by Mr. Pilgreen for the Commission to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel/security issues. Roll call vote: YEAS 3, NAYS 0, ABSENT 2.

Motion made by Mr. Pilgreen and seconded by Sheriff Gates 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 3, NAYS 0, ABSENT 2.

There being no further business to come before the commission, Mr. Buckley declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Sheriff Gates, on this 10th day of December, 2020.

**Johnny Buckley, Chairman
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer**