

**DETENTION CENTER COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
April 20th, 2021**

The Detention Center Commission met this date at 10:00 A.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), Dusty Gates (Union Parish Sheriff) and Chief Bim Coulberson (Farmerville Chief of Police). Absent: John Belton (District Attorney). Also present: Warden Adams and Ruby Stanley, TWP Director.

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 Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Chief Coulberson 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 Tuesday, March 2nd, 2021 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Transitional Work Program Comments – Ruby Stanley, TWP Director, addressed the Commission regarding the Transitional Work Release Program. There are currently 82 TWP inmates participating in the work release program. Sixty-six (66) of the TWP participants are LEOs. There are twenty-seven (27) inmates who are approved for the program and one of those will begin work at Thomas Nursery on Thursday. Room and board for the month of April was \$114,418.54. The room and board for March was \$99,810.85. There will be no more pay periods for the month of April.

Warden's Comments – Warden Adams reported that the front gate should be fixed this week. Inmate banking for commissary has a balance of \$256,302.16. Inmate banking has a balance of \$110,215.22. The phone profit for the month of March was \$3,783. HomeWave Video Visitation profit for the month of March was \$4,695.02. The commissary profit through Tiger for the month of March was \$21,384.

The Secretary/Treasurer addressed the Detention Center Commission regarding the purchase of a van. There was an incident on April 9, 2021 and a Detention Center Van was totaled. **Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Sheriff Gates to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to move forward with the purchase of a new or used van. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion made by Mr. Pilgreen and seconded by Chief Coulberson 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.

Motion made by Mr. Pilgreen 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. Buckley declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Chief Coulbertson, on this 20th day of April, 2021.

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