## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE GENERAL DISCUSSION October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 4:30 P.M.

Present: Brenda Abercrombie, Nathan Pilgreen, Dewayne Ramsey and Johnny Buckley. Absent: None. Also present were Ben Bridges, L.W. Nolan, Andrew Ford, Jr., Ceis Nyegaard, Curtis Moses, Danielle Harkins, Byron Avery, Bernie Nolan and Tammy Ramsey.

Mrs. Abercrombie called the meeting to order. Mr. Ramsey led the group in prayer.

Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Buckley and declared adopted by unanimous vote to approve the agenda as written.

Motion Mr. Ramsey, seconded by Mr. Pilgreen to approve the minutes of the April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A brief discussion was held concerning a Resolution dealing with the Police Jury President being on every committee, having voting rights and making up a quorum. Mrs. Abercrombie stated that she received an email from James Buckley, Police Jury Attorney, earlier regarding his thoughts on the Police Jury President being on every committee. In his email, Mr. Buckley stated that the President might abuse the power. Mrs. Abercrombie stated that she doesn't feel like she would abuse that power, but does understand. Mrs. Abercrombie stated that she would like to move forward with adopting a Resolution which would allow her to be on all committees so the President could make up a quorum. Johnny Buckley stated that he would rather leave it like it is. Mrs. Abercrombie said she is fine with leaving it like it is. No action taken.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding a request from Lynn Ramsey regarding a donation to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas Luncheon for the elderly. The Secretary/Treasurer stated that the Police Jury can't donate to Mrs. Ramsey individually. Mrs. Ramsey is requesting that the donation be made to the Women for Veterans. The Secretary/Treasurer suggested that the jurors donate individually to the Christmas Luncheon. Mr. Pilgreen stated that he is not in favor of the jury making a donation. Mr. Pilgreen stated that he does not think the jury should use tax money to feed the elderly in the parish when there are multiple programs in place for that. Mr. Pilgreen further stated that the fishing tournaments generate tax revenue for the Parish. The Secretary/Treasurer stated that the jury has been asked before to provide money for backpacks and they did not do that. Motion Mr. Ramsey, seconded by Mr. Buckley to recommend to the full jury to enter into a CEA with the to the Women for Veterans Organization for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas Luncheon for the elderly. Motion carried with the following vote:

Brenda Abercrombie Yes
Nathan Pilgreen No
Dewayne Ramsey Yes
Johnny Buckley Yes

A discussion was held concerning the selection of a new Building Official. The current Building Official is Chase Sanson with Inspections of Louisiana. Mrs. Abercrombie and Mr. Pilgreen have received several complaints regarding Mr. Sanson. The Secretary/Treasurer stated that the public can choose a third-party inspector if they do not wish to use the official Building Official. The certified inspectors in the area are Chase Sanson (Inspections of Louisiana), Chad Parker (Inspections Unlimited), Dean Runnels (IBTS) and Kenneth Green (Green Consulting & Development, LLC. Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Ramsey to recommend to the full jury to hire Chad Parker with Inspections Unlimited to be the Union Parish Building Official and authorize the President to execute any necessary documents. Mr. Parker is replacing Chase Sanson effective November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the committee, Mrs. Abercrombie declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Pilgreen and duly seconded by Mr. Ramsey on this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

Brenda Abercrombie, Chairman Paula Strickland, Secretary-Treasurer