

**ROAD COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
November 5th, 2024
4:45 P.M.**

Present: Mike Holley, Russell Wade, Jeremy Hobbs and Nathan Pilgreen. Absent: None.
Also present: Ben Bridges, Glenn Hutto, Brenda Abercrombie, A.J. Ford, Jr., Paul Riley, Cindy McGibboney, Chris Strickland, Danielle Harkins, Zach Verdin, Ashley Verdin, Shane Abercrombie, Johnny Creed and Lynn Ramsey.

Mr. Holley called the meeting to order. Mr. Wade led the group in prayer.

Mrs. Abercrombie commented on the three (3) year road program during the public comment period.

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

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Pilgreen to approve the minutes of the October 1st, 2024 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A brief discussion was held regarding hiring a contractor for culvert replacements. Mr. Holley suggested getting quotes for hourly rates. Mr. Wade provided the committee members with an estimate on what it was costing with an employee, helper and benefits versus contracting the labor out. **Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Wade to recommend to the full jury to solicit bids for the hiring of a contractor to replace culverts throughout the parish. Motion with the following vote:**

YEAS	Holley, Wade and Pilgreen
NAYS	Hobbs

A brief discussion was held regarding placing “No Thru Trucks” traffic signs on parish roads. Mr. Holley stated that there is an issue with some of the trash trucks that are hauling to the Landfill. **Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Pilgreen to recommend to the full jury to place “No Thru Trucks” traffic signs on all designated parish roads as deemed necessary. Motion carried unanimously.**

A discussion was held regarding the Union Parish Police Jury Subdivision Ordinance. This was previously discussed at the October Road Committee meeting. Paul Riley with Riley Company previously presented the following changes:

- Reduced the length of the ordinance from 37 pages to 12 pages
- Allows for administrative approval of 5 lots or less where no new roads or access easements are created
- Eliminates subdivision types
- Preliminary plat approval is at the discretion of the Parish Administrator

- Final plat approval is by the full police jury upon recommendation of the Parish Administrator
- Eliminates street type designations
- Eliminates lot dimension and size requirements
- Eliminates fire protection requirements

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the criteria for taking a newly built road into the Union Parish Police Jury Road System. No action was taken on the Union Parish Subdivision Ordinance.

A brief discussion was held regarding enacting a speed limit on Pint Road in its entirety (Highway 15 to Highway 33). **Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Wade to recommend to the full jury to enact a 35 MPH speed limit on Pint Road in its entirety from Highway 15 to Highway 33. Motion carried unanimously.**

A brief discussion was held regarding the Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP). The Secretary/Treasurer announced that the jury can apply for an amount up to \$100,000, even though the jury may not be allocated that much. **Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Hobbs to recommend to the full jury to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to apply for the Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) grant through the State of Louisiana and authorize the Secretary/Treasurer and/or President to execute all necessary documents. Any monies received will be used to purchase a tractor and side boom mower. Motion carried unanimously.**

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the three (3) year road program. **Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Wade to recommend to the full jury the following three (3) year Road Program/Capital Improvement Plan:**

Year 1 – 2024

Concord Road	3.2 miles
Hamilton Road	1.9 miles
Downsville Road	<u>2.7 miles</u>
Total	7.80 miles

Year 2 – 2025

Downsville Road (remainder)	2.2 miles
Sardis Church Road	3.1 miles
Village Creek Road	0.6 miles
Dale Love Road	0.9 miles
Lolley Road	0.5 miles
Holland Road	<u>0.9 miles</u>
Total	8.20 miles

Year 3 – 2026

To Be Decided by Future 3 Year Priority Lists Done for 2026, 2027 and 2028.

Motion carried with the following vote:

YEAS Holley, Wade and Pilgreen

NAYS Hobbs

A discussion was held regarding calculation of miles of roads in each district. Mr. Riley previously provided a list of roads in each juror's district. **No action taken.**

There being no more business to come before the committee, Mr. Holley declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Hobbs and duly seconded by Mr. Pilgreen on this the 5th day of November, 2024.

Mike Holley, Chairman
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer