

**ROAD COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
September 2nd, 2025
5:00 P.M.**

Present: Mike Holley, Russell Wade, Nathan Pilgreen and Curtis Moses. Absent: None.
Also present: Glenn Hutto, Ben Bridges, Jeremy Hobbs, Brenda Abercrombie, Andrew Ford, Jr.,
Danielle Harkins and Linda Hammett.

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

Public Comment on agenda items – No comments were made.

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

Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Moses to approve the minutes of the August 5th, 2025 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The Secretary/Treasurer stated that North Delta Regional Authority needs a resolution that states the President is authorized to sign the application, stating that the parish is matching 25% and the parish is in need of these projects. The Secretary/Treasurer further stated that North Delta has requested a certain format for the resolutions. **Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Wade to recommend to the full jury to pass resolutions for the Camp Road and Dozier Road DRA SEDAP Application.**

A brief discussion was held regarding limiting thru truck traffic on Tech Drive, Read Road, Dean Road, North Dean Road and Hudson Road. Mr. Wade stated that there have been several near misses with garbage trucks pulling out onto the Marion Highway from Tech Drive. The garbage trucks are coming from Monroe and going to the Union Parish Landfill. Mr. Wade would like to provide maps for alternate routes for the trucks to use. **Motion Mr. Pilgreen seconded by Mr. Wade to recommend to the full jury to limit thru truck traffic on Tech Drive, Read Road, Dean Road, North Dean Road and Hudson Road. Maps will be provided for an alternate route. Motion carried unanimously.**

A brief discussion was held regarding the bids received for weed spraying around bridges and roadways. Mr. Pilgreen stated that a crew of inmates is spraying around the bridges. Mr. Pilgreen stated that this is more cost effective than hiring a contractor. **No action taken on the weed spraying.**

A brief discussion was held regarding the bids received for hauling. The Secretary/Treasurer stated that there was only one bid received for hauling. The bid was received from Oil Field Energy Services in the amount of \$3.75 per running mile. **Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Wade to recommend to the full jury to accept the hauling bid from Oil Field Energy Services in the amount of \$3.75 per running mile. Motion carried unanimously.**

A brief discussion was held regarding the closure of AL Mason Road. A property owner requested the closure of this road. **Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Pilgreen to recommend to the full jury to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to advertise the closure of AL Mason Road. Motion carried unanimously.**

A lengthy discussion was held regarding a contract for cutting. The Road Committee was presented with a five (5) year contract between Union Parish Police Jury and Albritton Lawn & Irrigation, LLC. The

contract was supplied by Eddie Albritton with Albritton Lawn & Irrigation and has not been reviewed by legal. The scope of works states that the contractor shall: *“Work as an Independent Contractor for purpose of trimming roadside vegetation not to exceed limbs up to 4” in diameter due to the limitations of the equipment provided by Contractor.”* The pricing schedule states the following: *“Contractor will invoice Parish twice a month with a minimum of forty (40) hours per week. Terms Net 30 days. Hourly Wage assessed will be \$100/hour.”*

Mr. Bridges stated that the minimum of forty (40) hours per week would need to be changed. Mr. Albritton would get paid for only the hours he worked. Mr. Albritton’s intentions are to work forty (40) hours a week from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Mr. Pilgreen inquired about what part of the parish he would be working. Mr. Holley stated that Mr. Coggins is working the West side and Mr. Albritton would be working the East side. Mr. Holley further stated that would basically be 200 miles of road a piece. Mr. Wade stated that the contract would need a yearly cap of 2,000 hours a year.

Mr. Pilgreen expressed concerns as to whether the parish could afford this service. He further stated that the parish will be getting a tractor from the LGAP Grant and the tractor can be used for cutting. Mr. Pilgreen stated that road graders are needed more than a contract for cutting.

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Moses to recommend to the full jury to enter into a five (5) year contract with Albritton Lawn and Irrigation and Coggins Welding for bush hogging services pending legal approval. Contracts not to exceed \$200,000 in a calendar year. Motion carried with Mr. Pilgreen opposing.

There being no more business to come before the committee, Mr. Holley declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Wade and duly seconded by Mr. Moses on this the 2nd day of September, 2025.

Mike Holley, Chairman
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer