

REGULAR MEETING UNION PARISH POLICE JURY

**Farmerville, Louisiana
July 14th, 2026**

The Union Parish Police Jury met this date in regular session in the Police Jury meeting room, Courthouse Annex, Farmerville, Louisiana with the following present: Curtis Moses, Nathan Pilgreen, Michael Holley, Glenn Hutto, Ben Bridges, Russell Wade, Jeremy Hobbs, Brenda Abercrombie and Andrew Ford, Jr. Absent: None. Also present was James Buckley, Assistant District Attorney. The President called the session to order and welcomed all guests. Mr. Pilgreen offered the invocation and Mrs. Abercrombie led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Hutto welcomed everyone to the meeting. President Hutto asked if anyone in the audience would like to register for public comment. At this time the public was given the opportunity to comment on any item shown on the agenda.

Mr. Wade asked that the Jury remember the family of Max Nale. Mr. Nale recently passed away and was a former Union Parish Police Jury Road Department employee.

Mr. Hutto thanked each juror for working together and carrying their share of the responsibilities, stating that their cooperation made his job easier and that he could not do it without them. He specifically recognized Police Juror Russell Wade for going above and beyond for the Police Jury. Mr. Hutto noted that Mr. Wade does not seek recognition but was instrumental in developing the road tax proposition and making meaningful improvements to the plan. He also recognized Mr. Ben Bridges for his work with the landfill. Mr. Hutto thanked the entire Police Jury for supporting and voting to approve these efforts, stating that Union Parish is moving forward because the jurors are working together.

Mr. Hutto announced that Union Parish has received funding in the amount of \$750,000 through the efforts of Senator Stewart Cathey and Representative Chris Turner. The Union Parish Police Jury received \$350,000 in a direct appropriation for a new piece of equipment at the Landfill. In addition to the \$350,000, the Jury was also awarded \$400,000 in Capital Outlay funding for much needed renovations at the Union Parish Courthouse.

Dodi Eubanks, Union Parish Clerk of Court, also announced that the Clerk of Court was recently awarded \$100,000 for Courthouse renovations. Mrs. Eubanks stated that the appropriations would not have happened without the agencies working together.

Mr. Hutto stated that positive momentum is building, and he encouraged the Police Jury not to slow down but to continue moving forward. He noted that great things are happening in Union Parish and that even more progress is ahead.

Motion Mr. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Ford and declared adopted by unanimous vote of the Jury to approve the agenda as written.

Motion Mr. Ford, seconded by Mr. Bridges to approve the minutes of the June 9th, 2026 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Moses to adopt the June Financial Report as presented to the Finance Committee earlier. Motion carried unanimously.

The Secretary/Treasurer addressed the Police Jury regarding the Capital Area Finance Authority (CAFA) Bond Resolution. She explained that the resolution continues the Jury's participation in the program, which began in 2023 or earlier. Due to the issuance of new bonds, an updated resolution must be approved and signed, even though the program itself remains unchanged.

Mrs. Strickland stated that the bonds are used exclusively to assist first-time homebuyers with down payment and closing costs and present no financial risk to the Parish. She noted that two Union Parish residents have participated in the program. She further clarified that the program does not involve Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) arrangements or multifamily housing developments.

The following resolution was motioned by Mrs. Abercrombie and seconded by Mr. Wade:

RESOLUTION 2026 - 008

CERTIFICATE OF UNION PARISH EVIDENCING PUBLIC APPROVAL OF BONDS PURSUANT TO SECTION 147(f) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Capital Area Finance Authority (the "**Authority**"), a public trust created pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 2-A of Title 9 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (R.S. 9:2341-9:2347, inclusive) (the "**Act**") has, by resolution dated May 21, 2026, in accordance with the requirements of the Act, and the Rules and Regulations of the Louisiana State Bond Commission (the "**Commission**"), duly authorized the issuance of not exceeding \$200,000,000 of Capital Area Finance Authority Revenue Bonds in one or more series (the "**Bonds**") to finance loans to first-time homebuyers within the jurisdictional parishes of the Authority and such other governmental units (the "**Participating Jurisdictions**") whose governing authority authorized and directed the execution of a cooperative endeavor agreement (a "**CEA**") with the Authority under the provisions of the Act and other applicable constitutional and statutory authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, on June 18, 2026, duly authorized the issuance and sale of the Bonds in accordance with law and the Commission's Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds are classified as exempt facility bonds under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**") and the provisions of Section 147(f)(2)(A), (B) and (E) of the Code require that issuance of Bonds be approved by the "applicable elected representative" of the governmental unit which issues such bonds or on whose behalf such bonds are issued and by the "applicable elected representative" of such other Participating Jurisdictions that have executed a CEA with the Authority under the provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS, **Union Parish Police Jury** (the "**Governmental Unit**") has executed a CEA with the Authority to permit the financing of loans to first-time homebuyers within geographic area of the Governmental Unit; and

WHEREAS, the applicable elected representative (the "**Approving Representative**") of the Governmental Unit for purposes of approving the Bonds is the Union Parish Police Jury President; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the requirements of the Code, Notice of Public Hearing (attached as **Exhibit "A"** hereto), was published in (i) The Advocate, Baton Rouge, Louisiana on June 5, 2026, (ii) The Daily Advertiser, Lafayette, Louisiana on June 5, 2026, (iii) the Houma Courier, Houma, Louisiana on June 5, 2026, (iv) the Lake Charles American Press, Lake Charles, Louisiana on June 5, 2026, (v) The

News Star, Monroe, Louisiana on June 5, 2026, (vi) the Times-Picayune, New Orleans, Louisiana on June 5, 2026, (vii) The Times, Shreveport, Louisiana on June 5, 2026, and (viii) The Town Talk, Alexandria, Louisiana on June 5, 2026, and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the requirements of the Code, the public hearing with respect to the issuance of said Bonds was held on June 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., Louisiana Time, at 601 St. Ferdinand Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, and simultaneously held by teleconference using the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9940303250?omn=81003639543> or dial US toll-free: (646) 876-9923, 9940303250# in accordance with Rev. Proc. 2022-20 after due notice thereof was published in the official journal of the Authority and in the aforementioned publications sufficient to inform the public within the geographic area of the Participating Jurisdictions of the subject, date and place of said public hearing; and

WHEREAS, no objections were raised by any person present at the said hearing or by any person participating by teleconference relative to the issuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, Approving Representative of the Participating Jurisdiction, desires to approve the issuance of the Bonds for the purposes of the Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned does hereby certify that the President of the Participating Jurisdiction, hereby approves and confirms the issuance of the Bonds. The Authority, and its officers, are authorized to cause this certificate to be filed of record in the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds and to file a copy thereof with any State or Federal agency, board or commission as may be required by any applicable State or Federal laws, rules or regulations.

The aforesaid resolution, having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Moses, Pilgreen, Holley, Hutto, Bridges, Wade, Hobbs, Abercrombie and Ford
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, the resolution was declared adopted on the 14th day of July, 2026.

s/ Paula H. Strickland
PAULA H. STRICKLAND
SECRETARY-TREASURER
UNION PARISH POLICE JURY

s/ Glenn Hutto
GLENN HUTTO
PRESIDENT
UNION PARISH POLICE JURY

The Secretary/Treasurer stated that the bids for road materials/supplies for July 1st through December 31st, 2026 were opened on July 7th @ 10:00 AM.

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Ford that the following action should be taken on the road material bids for the period beginning July 1st, 2026 through December 31st, 2026:

- Gasoline and diesel fuel should be awarded to Sun Coast Resources, LLC., Sewell Oil and Lott Oil based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
- Aviation Fuel – Titan aviation – only bid received.
- CRS-2 Asphalt Emulsion should be awarded to Asphalt Products Unlimited and ERGON based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.

- AEP Asphalt Emulsion Prime – no bidder.
- MC-30 Cutback Asphalt should be awarded to Asphalt Products Unlimited. Only bidder.
- AC-10 Asphalt should be awarded to Asphalt Products Unlimited (only bidder).
- Spiral Metal Culverts – Bid should be awarded to Tri-State, Coburn's and Co-Heir Drainage based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
- Polyethylene pipe should be awarded to Tri-State, Irrigation Mart, Core and Main, Coburn's and Co-Heir Drainage Products based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
- Concrete Pipe – Bid should be awarded to Coburn's and Co-Heir Drainage Products based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
- Hot Mix and Cold Mix – Bid should be awarded to Dreher Contracting, Amethyst Construction and Diamond B based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
- Maintenance rock, oversize rock, clay gravel, fill sand, pea gravel, and concrete sand should be awarded to Standard Gravel, R.E. Bentz, Island Sand & Gravel, Avant Transport, and Marco Farms, LLC based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed.
- Crushed concrete should be awarded to L.J. Haddox & Sons (only bidder).
- Granite rock should be awarded to Avant and R. E. Bentz, Inc.
- Leachate Collection Sand – No bid was received for Leachate Collection Sand.
- Daily alternative cover for landfill should be awarded to Space Savers and LSC Environmental Products, LLC based upon the best price, availability, hauling, location of job and quantity needed. Daily alternative cover is awarded for the period of July 1st, 2026 through June 30th, 2027.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Wade to hire Marvin Hartley for full-time employment at the Road Department with his time being counted back to his original hire date of April 8th, 2026. His full-time status is effective July 20th, 2026 and at that time he is eligible for all police jury benefits including retirement, insurance, vacation, sick leave and holiday. Mr. Hartley's hourly pay will increase from \$15 to \$16 effective July 20th, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Moses, seconded by Mr. Hobbs to approve travel for the JP's and Constables to attend the annual training in Marksville on August 24th through August 26th. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Moses, seconded by Mr. Ford to approve travel for staff to attend the Parochial Retirement system annual training on October 26th, 2026 in Baton Rouge. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Moses, seconded by Mr. Wade to approve travel for staff to attend the 2026 Parish Legal Horizons in Natchitoches on September 22nd through September 24th, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Bridges to approve the request from the Village of Junction City for assistance with mowing. Work will be performed as time permits and as resources are available. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Holley to approve the request from the Town of Marion for assistance with mowing and side trimming. Work will be performed as time permits and as resources are available. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mrs. Abercrombie, seconded by Mr. Ford to approve the following board appointments for Reeves Memorial Medical Center:

- **Re-appointment of Penny Moses for a three (3) year term. Term begins 7/11/25 to 7/10/28.**
- **Re-appointment of Chris Adkins for a three (3) year term. Term begins on 7/11/25 to 7/10/28.**

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Bridges to approve the following board appointments for Bernice Area Fire Protection District:

- **Re-appointment of Dannye Murphey for a three (3) term. Term begins 1/1/26 to 12/31/28.**
- **Appointment of Heath Bedoit (replacing Bruce Dendy) for a three (3)-year appointment. Term begins 1/1/26 to 12/31/28.**

Motion carried unanimously.

The following ordinance was introduced by Mrs. Abercrombie and seconded by Mr. Ford:

ORDINANCE # 996

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SPEED LIMIT OF 25 MILES PER HOUR ON CHARLES DEAN ROAD BEGINNING AT DUDES CIRCLE AND ENDING AT THE END OF PARISH MAINTENANCE AND SETTING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Union Parish that a maximum speed limit for any truck, car, motorcycle or any other equipment traveling on Charles Dean Road beginning at Dudes Circle and ending at the end of parish maintenance, shall not exceed 25 miles per hour.

SECTION II: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Union Parish, State of Louisiana, that any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of this ordinance, upon conviction, shall not exceed the maximum fine for speeding upon a state highway plus court cost.

SECTION III: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any section, sentence, clause or words of this ordinance shall be held invalid by any court of final jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the validity of any other section.

SECTION IV: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that ordinance or parts of ordinance in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced by Mrs. Abercrombie, who moved its adoption and duly seconded by Mr. Ford and was then adopted by the following YEA and NAY vote:

MEMBERS:	YEAS:	NAYS:	ABSENT:	ABSTAINING:
Curtis Moses	x			
Nathan Pilgreen	x			
Michael Holley	x			
Glenn Hutto	x			
Ben Bridges	x			
Russell Wade	x			
Jeremy Hobbs	x			
Brenda Abercrombie	x			
Andrew Ford, Jr.	x			

WHEREUPON, the Ordinance was declared duly adopted this 14th day of July, 2026.

s/ Paula H. Strickland
PAULA STRICKLAND
SECRETARY-TREASURER
UNION PARISH POLICE JURY

s/ Glenn W. Hutto
GLENN W. HUTTO
PRESIDENT
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Recommendations from the Finance Committee

Mr. Wade reported that the Finance Committee met earlier at 2:30 PM. The Finance Committee has three (3) recommendations.

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Moses to participate in the Federal aided Local Road Safety Program and authorize the President to execute any necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Moses to accept the lowest proposal from Philip Bryan Services, LLC in the amount of \$27,917.20 for the installation of fuel pumps/monitoring system for the Road and Landfill Departments. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Moses to donate \$2,000 to the Zion Hill Community Outreach Ministries Back to School Program. Motion carried with Pilgreen voting against.

Recommendations from the Landfill Committee

Mr. Bridges reported that the Landfill Committee met earlier at 5:00 PM. The Landfill Committee has one (1) recommendation.

Motion Mr. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Pilgreen to authorize FDAE to modify the Landfill permit to facilitate the construction of Cell 3B in the amount of \$119,340. Motion carried unanimously.

Recommendations from the Equipment Committee

Mr. Ford reported that the Equipment Committee met at 4:15 PM. and discussed several items. The Equipment Committee has one (1) recommendation.

Motion Mr. Ford, seconded by Mr. Moses to accept the bid from Siddons-Martin in the amount of \$376,926 for the purchase of a front-load garbage truck with a delivery date after 1/1/27. Motion carried unanimously.

In accordance with Ordinance 549, time for public comment was given. Linda Archie addressed the Jury about Walnut Lane and Nate Hodge Roads.

There being no further business to come before the Jury, the President declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Moses on this the 14th day of July, 2026.

s/ Paula H. Strickland
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer
Union Parish Police Jury

s/ Glenn Hutto
Glenn Hutto, President
Union Parish Police Jury