

**CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2015
6:00 P.M.**

The Police Jury of Concordia Parish met this day in regular session convened. There were present the following officers and members:

Melvin Ferrington	President
Tommy Tiffiee	Vice-President
Members: Carey Cook, Willie Dunbar, Jimmy Jernigan, Joe Parker, Whest Shirley and Debbie Temple	
Absent:	Jerry Beatty
Secretary Treasurer:	Kevin M. Friloux
Invocation:	Mr. Shirley
Pledge of Allegiance:	Ms. Temple

The floor was opened for the public comment period on agenda items only. There being none, the public comment period was closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Parker to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 26, 2015 as mailed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Parker to adopt an Administrative Services Agreement with Oliver Schulz & Associates for the FY 2016-FY 2017 LCDBG program in the amount of \$34,650. Motion carried.

The issue of Deadening Road damages was again on the agenda for consideration. Mr. Ferrington advised the jury that he had spoken with the attorney for D & D Drilling and a request for additional time to resolve the issue was made. The matter was then deferred until the next meeting with no action taken.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Cook to approve payment to Jordan Kaiser & Sessions in the amount of \$2,642.50 for field surveys for a drainage easement for a part of Taconey Plantation. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Cook to approve payment to Jordan Kaiser & Sessions for road inspection work in the matter of the Ferguson Road in the amount of \$420. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Shirley to approve payment to Jordan Kaiser & Sessions for hydrographic surveys and preliminary structure design for the GOHSEP-FEMA drainage study in the amount of \$44,416.66 and for topographic surveys and 30% design work for the same study in the amount of \$27,333.33, both subject to state approval and payment. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffée seconded by Mr. Jernigan to approve a request by the Concordia Parish School Board to provide material for school bus turnarounds on Ellard Road, Newman Road and Haphazard Road in Monterey. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Jernigan seconded by Mr. Tiffée to approve the Annual Safety Meeting at the Duck's Nest in December, 2015. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Jernigan to approve the holding of only one regular meeting in December on December 14, 2015. Motion carried.

Mr. Dunbar brought up the continuing overflow of sewer manholes in the Concordia Park area. A motion was then made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Cook to request the sewer district to investigate continued water entering the manholes and report back to the jury. Motion carried.

Mr. Dunbar brought up the issue of the recreation district #3 not providing minutes of its meetings and its current budget. A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Shirley to request that the district submit to the jury all minutes from 2015 and the 2015 budget. Motion carried.

Mr. Dunbar brought up the issue of the need of the police jury to secure its own legal counsel. After a short discussion a motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Cook to refer the matter to the finance committee for its consideration. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Parker to approve the following occupational license:

Solar Control/Window Tinting, 4560 US 84, Vidalia—Window Tinting (New Business).

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Shirley to ratify the purchase orders as mailed. Motion carried.

Ms. Melissa Posey addressed the jury with concerns on the Kemp Landing Road and the need of material. The matter was referred to the superintendent.

Mr. Shirley advised that the finance committee had met and reviewed the first draft of the proposed 2016 budget. He indicated that recommendation should be available for the next meeting.

Mr. Jernigan advised that he, Mr. Parker and Mr. Cook had attended a special meeting of the hospital board where the future of the Riverland Medical Center was discussed. The hospital board was questioning whether the police jury would support a new hospital. At the conclusion of the report the jury's consensus was that if a new hospital was financially feasible, the jury would consider its support provided the hospital was located in the Ferriday area. Mr. Parker concluded the discussion by commending new board member, Al Ater, on his actions at the meeting. No additional action was taken.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Jernigan to approve the following materials request: 28 yards of washed gravel for Kemp Landing Road, 14 yards of washed gravel for Oscar Finley Road, 7 yards of washed gravel for James King Road, 14 yards of washed gravel for the Airport Extension Road, 14 yards of washed gravel for Twin Oaks and a 15" x 30' culvert for Passman Road. Motion carried.

Mr. Melissa Posey advised the jury that a problem exist with a travel trailer on Shirley Circle having raw sewage running into the drainage ditch. A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Jernigan to notify the parish sanitarian, Patrick Johnson of the problem and to take corrective action. Motion carried.

Mr. Dunbar brought up the request of a property owner on Freeman Road to waive cleanup charges the jury imposed on the property. The jury indicated that a waiver was not in order and the matter is a civil matter between the owner and its contractor. No action taken.

Mr. Dunbar departed the meeting.

The jury recognized Mayor Bobby Sheppard of Ridgecrest who presented a request for assistance in drainage problems correction in the town. A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Cook to approve the request of Mayor Sheppard and assist the town in this work. Motion carried with Mr. Dunbar not present.

There being no further business a motion was made by Mr. Cook seconded by Mr. Parker that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer