

**CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
July 11, 2016
6:00 P.M.**

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

Whest Shirley Vice-President, Presiding

Members: Jerry Beatty, Carey Cook, Willie Dunbar, Joe Parker,
Adam Probst, Tommy Tiffie and Jimmy Wilkinson

Absent: Jimmy Jernigan

Secretary Treasurer: Kevin M. Friloux

Invocation: Mr. Parker

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Probst

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

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 27, 2016 as mailed. Motion carried.

Mr. Tiffie reported that members of the personnel committee had discussed the need for an equipment operator and recommended Mr. Barry J. Smith for the position. A motion was then made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Parker to hire Mr. Smith as a light equipment operator. Motion carried.

Mr. Shirley informed the jury that the members of the finance committee had discussed a recent request by the coroner for salaries for assistant coroners. The committee did not recommend the increase. However, the consensus was to grant to the coroner's office fees received by the police jury for cremation services. The jury accepted the report as presented.

Mr. Friloux reported under the secretary's report that a request had been made for a letter of support for the establishment of a new access point for healthcare in Vidalia from the Tensas Community Health Center. The health center would be to provide health care and ancillary services to members of the parish. A motion was then made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Tiffie to offer the requested letter of support. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Wilkinson seconded by Mr. Tiffie to approve payment to Jordan Kaiser & Sessions for \$40,600 for design work for the parish drainage project subject to GOHSEP approval and payment. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Beatty to adopt and approve the policy of payment of cremation fees received to the office of the parish coroner. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Tiffiee to approve a request by the Concordia Parish School Board for cleaning around the oxidation pond at the Monterey High School. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffiee seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to approve the following occupational licenses:

Hinson's Homemade, 10064 Highway 129, Monterey (New Business)

Joe's Horseshoe Marina, 3871 Hwy 129, Monterey (Reopening)

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffiee seconded by Mr. Parker to approve the following alcoholic beverage permits:

Karl's Lounge, 9861 Hwy 84 W, Ferriday—Class "B" Beer & Liquor (Renewal)

Joe's Horseshoe Marina, 3871 Hwy 129, Monterey—Class "B" Beer & Liquor (New Business)

Motion carried.

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

Mr. Friloux advised of several pieces of correspondence received. Mr. Parker opened a discussion in regards to the correspondence from the Corps of Engineers in regards to construction in progress on Maxwell Road. After hearing from Mr. Friloux read from previous police jury minutes and district attorney Brad Burget on current work activity on Maxwell Road, it was suggested that the police jury had never entered into any type of formal agreement with the Corps. Mr. Parker then made a motion seconded by Mr. Beatty to refer the matter of the Maxwell Road construction, the Mississippi River levee project and the removal of cattle gaps to Mr. Burget for review and reporting back to the jury. In addition, Mr. Burget is requested to ascertain as to why the project was started prior to having the police jury enter into the aforementioned agreement. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffiee seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to approve the following materials request: one 18" x 50' culvert for Ferguson Road and 24 yards of pitrun gravel for Boggy Bayou Road. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffiee seconded by Mr. Beatty to appoint Mr. Joe Young to the Black River Lake Commission. Motion carried.

Mr. Beatty departed the meeting.

Mr. Dunbar expressed concern of continuing noise problems from Westside Drive through Concordia Park and made a motion seconded by Mr. Parker to send a letter to the sheriff advising of the continuing problems. Motion carried with Mr. Beatty not present.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Parker to send certified letters to the DEQ, EPA and the parish sanitarian in regards to previously cited environmental issues in the area. Motion carried with Mr. Beatty not present.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Parker to have the superintendent and parish engineer to look into a drainage ditch problem from Concordia Park to Freeman Road and report back with recommendations. Motion carried with Mr. Beatty not present.

Mr. Parker noted a vacancy on the hospital board and made a motion seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to open the application process for appointment to the hospital board. Motion carried with Mr. Beatty not present.

Mr. Wilkinson requested prices be received on cleaning of several properties recently cited in violation of the grass and debris ordinances.

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

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer