

**CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
September 12, 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. Shirley

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Wilkinson

A motion was made by Mr. Cook seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 22, 2016 as mailed. Motion carried.

Mr. Tiffie informed the jury that the members of the Personnel Committee have met and interviewed candidates for the position of light equipment operator. The interviews being completed, the committee recommended the hiring of Mr. Matthew Wiley to the position of light equipment operator. A motion was then made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Parker to hire Mr. Matthew Wiley as a light equipment operator. Motion carried.

Mr. Parker informed the jury of the actions of the recreation committee. After an overview of the committee action a motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Beatty to reduce the number of members of the Concordia Recreation District No. 1 from seven members to five members. Motion carried.

A motion was then made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to appoint the following members to the terms specified: Ms. Myeisha Davis—1 year term; Ms. Tieasha Lewis—2 year term; Mr. Glenn Henderson—3 year term; Ms. Cathy Kelly—4 year term and Mr. Butch Hammett—5 year term. Motion carried.

Mr. Shirley announced a special visitor, Mr. James W. Scarborough from Natchitoches Parish who is the president of the El-Camino East/West Hwy. 6/84 Commission. Mr. Scarborough gave a short history of the El-Camino project and current status. He solicited a resolution of support from the jury to expedite state funding for the project and requested the jury appoint two police jury representatives to the commission and possibly two alternates. The jury thanked

him for his attendance and asked that this matter be placed on the next meeting's agenda.

Mr. Shirley announced a public hearing on Ordinance 2016-01 to levy property cleaning fees to the property tax bills. A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to open the public hearing. Motion carried.

There were no comments from the public. After a short discussion a motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Beatty to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

A motion was then made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Cook to adopt Ordinance 2016-01:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PARISH OF CONCORDIA , LOUISIANA APPROVING THE ADDING OF CHARGES FOR GRASS AND PROPERTY CLEANING TO THE PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT ROLLS FOR 2016

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury desires to keep residential areas free of obnoxious weeds and grass in compliance with its nuisance ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury has complied with the proper notification provisions of said ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the property owners have failed to remit payment for said services;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Concordia Parish Police Jury, State of Louisiana, that the following charges be applied to the 2016 property tax assessment rolls as provided for in Louisiana R.S. 33:1236 (21) (a)(i):

Clinton Forrest Augustine, 385 Terry Circle, Vidalia, LA 71373 Lot 37 of Little Acres Subdivision, 2 nd Development Parcel #0400078402B	\$ 1,000.00
Sarah M. Love Estate, 135 Doty Gardens Circle, Ferriday, LA 71334 Lot 54 of Doty Gardens Subdivision Parcel #0200024100	\$ 2,400.00
Adrian Barret Kiser, 255 Terry Circle, Vidalia, LA 71373 Lot 5, Tract D, Airport Estates, Vidalia, LA Parcel #0400110600	\$ 400.00
Sylvia Thomas, 133 Leroy Williams Road, Vidalia, LA 71373 Lot 50, Concordia Park Subdivision, Vidalia, LA Parcel #0400210300	\$ 409.69
Charles Philip James II, 450 Highway 569, Ferriday, LA 71334 Lot 16 Lower Spokane Subdivision, Ferriday, LA	

Parcel #0100030800

\$ 600.00

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a copy of this ordinance be forwarded to the Honorable Jerry Clark, Tax Assessor of Concordia Parish for his further use.

And the vote thereon was as follows: Yays 8 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstain 0

And the ordinance was declared adopted in regular session held this 22nd day of August, 2016 and becomes effective immediately.

Whest Shirley, Vice-President

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffée seconded by Mr. Cook to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein; making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Sections 26, 30 and 32 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish on **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2016**, between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m., and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)**

Shall the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), levy a ten (10) mills tax (an estimated \$1,350,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year) on all property subject to taxation in the Parish for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2018 and ending with the year 2027, for acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating public

drainage works and improvements and public buildings and facilities in the Parish, including the acquisition and purchase of necessary equipment and materials for said purposes?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the *Concordia Sentinel*, a newspaper of general circulation within the Parish, published in Ferriday, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the Parish, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Room of the Courthouse, Room 2, 4001 Carter Street, Vidalia, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017, at SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held on Monday, January 9, 2017, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the Parish will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Secretary-Treasurer of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the President and/or Secretary-Treasurer of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of Concordia Parish and the Registrar of Voters of Concordia Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

SECTION 9. Additional Notice Requirement. This Governing Authority made the announcement with respect to the adoption of this resolution required by La. R.S. 42:19.1, at its public meeting on Monday, August 8, 2016 and published said announcement in the Official Journal on Wednesday, August 10, 2016.

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

MEMBERS	YEAS:	NAYS:	ABSENT:	ABSTAINING:
Carey H. Cook	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Joseph Parker	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Willie J. Dunbar	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Adam Probst	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Whest Shirley	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jerry Beatty	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jimmy Wilkinson	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jimmy Jernigan	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Tommy "Red" Tiffie	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 12th day of September, 2016.

 /s/ Kevin M. Friloux
Secretary-Treasurer

 /s/ Whest Shirley
Vice-President

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

A resolution approving the holding of an election in Monterey Fire Protection District No. 1 of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, December 10, 2016, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Monterey Fire Protection District No. 1 of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Monterey Fire Protection District No. 1 of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on September 6, 2016, calling a special election in the District on Saturday, December 10, 2016, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the District has requested that this Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Police Jury to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of Monterey Fire Protection District No. 1 of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, this Police Jury hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Saturday, December 10, 2016, at which election there will be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)

Shall Monterey Fire Protection District No. 1 of the Parish Concordia, State of Louisiana (the "District"), levy a special tax of ten (10) mills on all the property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated \$102,190 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2017 and ending with the year 2026, for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating the District's fire protection facilities and equipment, including paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Police Jury does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

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

MEMBERS:	YEAS:	NAYS:	ABSENT:	ABSTAINING:
Carey H. Cook	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Joseph Parker	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Willie J. Dunbar	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Adam Probst	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Whest Shirley	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jerry Beatty	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jimmy Wilkinson	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jimmy Jernigan	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Tommy "Red" Tiffie	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 12th day of September, 2016.

 /s/ Kevin M. Friloux
Secretary-Treasurer

 /s/ Whest Shirley
Vice-President

Mr. Shirley informed the jury that it is required to sit as the Board of Review for the 2016 property tax rolls. A motion was then made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Tiffie that the jury sit as the Board of Review at the meeting of September 26, 2016 to receive any complaints from property tax payers. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to approve calling a public hearing on September 26, 2016 to consider Ordinance 2016-2 and Ordinance 2016-3, amending the parish nuisance ordinances. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Probst to approve drainage servitudes across properties owned by Linda Kay Spring Harris, Roy E. Wilson, Janna N. Townsend and Randy M. Morace, all being a portion of Minorca Plantation as per legal descriptions provided and authorize the Vice-President to execute said servitudes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Cook to approve payment to Jordan Kaiser & Sessions for survey work performed off Mooselodge Road in the amount of \$2,150. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Probst to approve payments for cleaning and clearing property previously approved to A +, LLC in the amount of \$1,875. Motion carried.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Wilkinson seconded by Mr. Beatty to approve payment to Oliver Schulz & Associates for administrative services for the LCDBG program sewer upgrades in the amount of \$10,640. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Parker to approve a request by the LSU AgCenter to hold the Annual 4-H Fun Day on the Old Courthouse grounds on September 24, 2016. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Tiffie to approve a request by the Concordia Parish School Board to grade the Monterey High School Road. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to inform Mr. Beasley of the poor condition of a private roadway off LA 900 and request he take action to bring the roadway into a condition for suitable passage. Motion carried with Mr. Dunbar not currently present.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Probst to reappointment Mr. Tim Sessions to the Lake St. John Waterworks District effective immediately. Motion carried with Mr. Dunbar not currently present.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Cook approve the following occupational licenses:

Alisha's Sunless Sunkissed Tanning, 195 Ferguson Road, Monterey—Mobile Spray Tanning (New Business)

Sisters Snack & Fashion Shop, 164 Mack Scott Road, Ferriday—Direct Selling (New Business)

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Wilkinson seconded by Mr. Parker to ratify the purchase orders as presented excluding the payment of the sheriff's prisoner care bill. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Beatty to approve the superintendent's Material & Work Request as follows: 32 ½ tons of 6/10 limestone for Collins Road and 6 yards of washed gravel for Nicholls Road. Motion carried.

Mr. Parker advised the police jury of the minutes received from the Riverland Medical Center and the board's intention to enter into a purchase agreement for the purchase of property for a new hospital. A motion was then made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Dunbar to have Mr. Jim Graves, representing the hospital, to appear before the jury at the next meeting. Motion carried.

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

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer