

**PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING**

June 8, 2020

6:00 P.M.

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

President:	Joseph Parker, Sr.
Members:	Maurice Bachus., Genesisia Allen, Willie Yearby, Gary Neal, Scottie Whittington, Adam Probst, Collin Edwards, and Brad Adams
Absent:	None
Secretary Treasurer:	Sandi T. Burley
Invocation:	Mr. Yearby
Pledge of Allegiance:	Mr. Edwards

The Pledge, Invocation, and Roll Call were conducted. A quorum was present.

- 1) A motion was made by Mr. Adams seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve the May 26, 2020 minutes as mailed. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve Resolution 20-006 appointing the Concordia Sentinel as the official journal of the Parish. Motion carried unanimously. (See addendum for resolution.)
- 3) A motion was made by Mr. Adams seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve Resolution 20-007 adopting the millages for 2020. Motion carried unanimously. (See addendum for resolution.)
- 4) A request and hold harmless was received from Concordia Sewer to help with gravel needed at the Ridgecrest site and a culvert and installation at the Panola Woods cite. A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Neal to approve the request. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5) An asset disposal form was requested for approval to dispose of the old courtroom chairs removed from the renovations. The metal will be sold for scrap and the plastic disposed. A motion was made by Mr. Neal seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve the appropriate disposal of the chairs. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6) Under Committee Reports, the following was discussed.
 - a. The purchase plan or purchase outright of the excavator in lieu of renewing the lease. The Public Works and Finance Committee had both met to discuss the pros and cons. Mr. Offner with Foley Judell had also been contacted if there were an issue needed Bond Council approval for the purchase plan. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Adams to purchase the excavator outright at a cost of \$198,226.00 without financing. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. A motion was made by Mr. Neal seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee held on 06-02-20. Motion carried unanimously.
 - c. A motion as made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Bachus to ratify the purchase orders and banks statements for May. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7) Projects of the Parish were next discussed.

Brushy Bayou –A revised BCA under the new software is being conducted. All entities are working on funding methods and ways to move the project forward. JKS is uploading documents to new USACE portal.

Courtroom – Construction and audiovisual components are complete and working. Discussion was held to ask the Grants Committee to meet to determine a Phase III project with the remaining funding.

Washington Heights – The project is near completion. An iron gate has been placed until the permanent one is installed. Discussed culvert needs.

DR-4622 – All documents have been submitted. Waiting on FEMA review to proceed with project. There have been no further updates or feedback to report.

Vidalia Canal – Applications submitted under Statewide Flood Control Program to assist with cleanout of the silt where the canal meets Cocodrie Bayou are still pending.

- a. A motion was made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the invoice from Electronic Business Systems in the amount of \$58,659.57 for the audiovisual components under the courtroom renovation. Motion carried unanimously.

8) Ordinance violations of the Parish were next discussed.

A) Each Juror was asked to bring forward any issues in their district.

- Yearby – Check on owner and response for property on Concordia Park under the power lines.
- Whittington – Citations to be issued to residents on Sage, Eagle, and Burl Roberts
- Probst – Citations to be issues to properties along Hwy 84 near Vidalia Town Hall.
- Neal – Need follow up on letter sent to CPSO on junk cars
- Adams – No wake zones have been hung on Workinger Bayou to enforce the areas most effected by downed trees.

A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve citing the above ordinance violations. Motion carried unanimously.

9) A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Neal to approve the following alcohol renewal permits:

Sonny's Food Mart, Sportsman Lodge, Spokane Resort, Frozen Spokane, The Landing, Marsala Beverage, JoJo's Drive Thru, and PJ's Corner Stop.

Motion carried unanimously.

10) Under the Secretary / Treasurer's Report, Ms. Burley updated the Jurors that the Auditors would be in house next week to conduct final steps of the annual audit.

11) Under the Superintendent's materials requests, Mr. Guillory brought forward:

610 – 15 yards on Gore Road, 15 yards on Smart Lane, 10 yards on Freeman, 25 yards on Archer, 30 yards on Eagle, 13 yards on Townsend

Pitrun – 45 yards on Smart Lane, 45 yards on Gore Road, 60 yards on Archer

A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the materials.

Motion carried unanimously.

12) Superintendent's work order requests were next discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Allen seconded by Mr. Yearby and carried unanimously to approve the following:

- Yearby – area at Freeman Road and Roundtree has a section caved in creating a large pothole
- Allen – passed along positive comments received on work done in her district
- Edwards – potholes on Country Club; ditches on Bob Rife Road; passed along positive comments received for the cleaning of the canal on Archer Road
- Adams – beaver dam on Poole Road; shared positive comments received for work done on Kemps Landing.

13) Under correspondence and public comments Mr. Neal brought forward the purchase of a bucket and coupler for the Komatsu as discussed in the Public Works Committee meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Neal seconded by Mr. Yearby to approve the purchase under the LGAP grant with the John Deere Tractor. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Edwards discussed the leak in the Assessor's office. Two vendors have been asked to review the reason for the problem and provide estimates to fix.

Discussed designating a week of each month to schedule bulk pickup. A meeting with Waste Pro to discuss was requested.

14) There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Allen seconded by Mr. Probst to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 20-006

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CONCORDIA SENTINEL AS THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR CONCORDIA PARISH

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State requires the Parish to appoint an official journal of the parish each year;

WHEREAS, the Police Jury must establish and name the Concordia Sentinel as the official journal of the Parish for purposes of meeting the requirements of Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana;

BE IT RESOLVED, in regular session, the Concordia Parish Police Jury convened to appoint the Concordia Sentinel as the Official Journal of the Parish;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Secretary/Treasurer shall complete and submit the Official Parish Journal Certificate to the Secretary of State to reflect the renewal of the Concordia Sentinel as the official journal of the Parish.

BE IT RESOLVED AND ADOPTED, on a motion made by Mr. Probst and seconded by Mr. Yearby on this 8th day of June 2020, in regular session, and the votes were recorded as follows:

Yeas:	<u>9</u>	Nays:	<u>0</u>	Absent:	<u>0</u>	Abstain:	<u>0</u>
Passed:	<u>X</u>	Failed:	<u> </u>				

Joseph Parker, Sr., President

Sandi T. Burley, Secretary / Treasurer

RESOLUTION 20-007

BE IT RESOLVED, on a motion made by Mr. Adams seconded by Mr. Yearby the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2020 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Concordia Parish Police Jury, Parish of Concordia:

MILLAGE

<u>Millage:</u>	<u>Rate:</u>
Tax for General Alimony	2.25 mills
Tax for Library	8.41 mills
Tax for Health Unit	1.79 mills
Tax for Drainage Works / Buildings	9.90 mills
Tax for Council on Aging	3.96 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2020, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection hereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full; the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSTAINED: 0 ABSENT: 0

PASSED: X FAILED:

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the board meeting held on June 8, 2020, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.
Concordia Parish Police Jury, Vidalia, Louisiana, this 8th day of June, 2020.

Joseph Parker, Sr., President

Sandi T. Burley, Secretary/Treasurer