

**PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 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, Willie Yearby, Gary Neal, Scottie Whittington, Adam Probst, Collin Edwards, Brad Adams
Absent:	Genesisia Allen
Secretary Treasurer:	Sandi T. Burley
Invocation:	Mr. Yearby
Pledge of Allegiance:	Mr. Probst

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

- 1) A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Bachus to approve the October 12, 2020 minutes as mailed. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) Under Committee Action and Reports, the following was discussed:
 - A) The Finance Committee had met to review financials as of the close of quarter 3. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Adams to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 - The Third Quarter Budget Review was distributed to the Jurors for review and questions prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Probst to ratify the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Yearby and carried unanimously.
 - B) Resolution 20-010 was offered for review and adoption. The resolution provides funding confirmation by the Parish for all FP&C Capital Outlay projects in which the parish is seeking funding. A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried unanimously.
 - C) There were no other reports from other Committees.

3) Projects of the Parish were next discussed.

Brushy Bayou – Additional conference calls have been held to keep the project on track. Brant Jones with JKS is working on the final comments for DOTD. The stamped drawings were submitted to USACE. A conference call was held with FEMA and GOHSEP for questions on the H&H study pertaining to the BCA. An addendum to the H&H study has been completed to show the positive effect the project would have in the Concordia Park area. Further conference calls are scheduled to keep the project moving forward.

Courtroom – Electrical components have been installed. Once submitted and reimbursed, the project can be submitted for close out.

Washington Heights – The culverts are being installed. Once complete the project can be submitted to DRA for closeout.

DR-4462 – A conference call was held with FEMA, GOHSEP, Rostan, and the parish to discuss the information still needed. An analysis of the road base for asphalt roads was submitted. A desk review for the gravel roads is in progress. Pictures and information were gathered and submitted to satisfy the request.

Vidalia Canal – Mr. Edwards is trying to contact Mr. Lary Graff about spraying the needed areas and chemicals needed.

- WLF needs the ramp / access cleaned out in Ferriday at the lilly pads to continue to clean and spray.

Watershed Initiative – Regional meetings are being held. No further updates at this time.

CARES Act – Applications were submitted for approval for the final application period. No further reporting at this time.

4) Ordinance Violations of the Parish were next discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Adams seconded by Mr. Neal and carried unanimously to cite the following:

Adams – Como Road – Corp of Engineers needs to be consulted. Land owner has impeded drainage between Como Road and Bee Brake.

5) A motion was made by Mr. Neal seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried unanimously to approve the following occupation license:

- The Rusty Bucket – Kevin LeBlanc – Flea Market – 5005 Hwy 84. Vidalia

6) Under the Secretary / Treasurer’s Report, Ms. Burley shared information about the upcoming grant projects and deadlines. Also discussed was the final 2019 Audit. Ms. Burley shared the high points of the audit, noting two findings regarding a travel receipt and a cyber policy. Also noted, was the General Fund was the only fund that ended with a deficit. This was due to accruals of payroll and retirement.

Ms. Burley also discussed with the Jurors the desire to consider having the Vernando Group handle all additional insurance benefits outside of healthcare. By working with one firm to handle all Assurity, Aflac, and Colonial Life claims would be a cost savings to the employees. Mr. Parker asked for a motion to table the decision until the Personnel Committee could meet and discuss. A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Neal to have the Personnel Committee meet and discuss. If the committee agrees to the decision, then the administrative office can move forward. Motion carried unanimously.

7) Under the Superintendent’s materials requests, Mr. Guillory brought forward:

610 – 25 yards on East Road; 40 yards in Washington Heights

A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the materials. Motion carried unanimously.

8) Superintendent’s work order requests were next discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Neal seconded by Mr. Adams and carried unanimously to approve the following:

Yearby – requested verification of 115 Howard Drive on ordinance violation

Whittington – Stephens Road – Water still on the road in the curve; needs ditching and draining

Neal – Poole Road before the sewer plant – two culverts may be collapsed; area needs work done

Edwards – 204 Watkins – ditching to tie in to canal

Adams – Discussed work needed on Six Mile Bayou and Plouden Bayou

Parker – Road sign and stop sign needed for Vernon Road; discussed purchasing cameras to monitor road sign theft and dumping.

9) Correspondance / Public Comments - None

10) There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Neal to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Sandi T. Burley, Secretary / Treasurer

Upon a motion by Mr. Yearby, duly seconded by Mr. Edwards, the following resolution was offered to-wit:

RESOLUTION 20-010

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury needs assistance and has filed applications for State Capital Outlay funds for projects outside the budgetary scope of the Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury must commit to the obligation of matching funds for any projects awarded which are equivalent to at least twenty five percent of each of the grant appropriations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Concordia Parish Police Jury in regular session convened does hereby authorize its president, Joseph Parker, Sr. or his successor to commit funds required for the Parish's responsible match of all awarded projects;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Concordia Parish Police Jury, Joseph Parker, Sr. or his successor, and Sandi T. Burley, Secretary/Treasurer or her successor, are hereby authorized to sign any and all documents pertaining to these projects, including certifying requests for State reimbursements, needed to carry out any agreement.

The vote was as follows: Yeas 8 Nays 0 Absent 0

The resolution was declared adopted on the 26th day of October, 2020.

Joseph Parker, Sr., President

Sandi T. Burley, Secretary/Treasurer