

**CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 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 Tiffée Vice-President

Members: Jerry Beatty, Carey Cook, Willie Dunbar, Jimmy Jernigan,
Joe Parker, Whest Shirley and Debbie Temple

Secretary Treasurer: Kevin M. Friloux

Invocation: Mr. Cook

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Tiffée

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. Beatty to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 12, 2015 as mailed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Jernigan to waive the absence of Mr. Tiffée from the regular meeting of October 12, 2015. Motion carried.

The issue of the Deadening Road damage was again on the agenda. Mr. Ferrington advised that the jury had received a letter from attorney Leo Booth, representing D & D Drilling, indicating that the company needed additional time in addressing the issue. Mr. Ferrington urged the district attorney's office to keep the jury advised as to any progress in this matter. No further action was taken at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Beatty to approve the following resolution certifying to the Louisiana DOTD that the parish's off-road bridge program is in full compliance with the state requirements:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Code of Federal Regulation as enacted by the United States Congress mandates that all structures defined as bridges, located on all public roads, shall be inspected, rated for safe load capacity, and posted in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and that an inventory

of these bridges be maintained by each State; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility to inspect, rate and load post those bridges under the authority of Concordia Parish in accordance with those standards is delegated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to Concordia Parish.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing authority of Concordia Parish (which is the Police Jury, herein referred to as the Parish), that the Parish in regular meeting convened, does hereby certify to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (herein referred to as DOTD) that for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015:

1. The Parish has performed all interim inspection on all Parish owned or maintained bridges in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards.

2. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish have been structurally analyzed and rated by the Parish as to the safe load capacity in accordance with ASSHTO Manual for Maintenance Inspection of Bridges. The load posting information that has been determined by the LA DOTD for all bridges where the maximum legal load under Louisiana State Law exceeds the load permitted under the operating rating as determined above has been critically reviewed by the Parish. Load posting information has been updated by the parish to reflect all structural changes, any obsolete structural ratings or any missing structural ratings.

3. All parish owned or maintained bridges which require load posting or closing are load posted or closed in accordance with the table in the DOTD Engineering Directives and Standards Manual Directive No. 1.1.1.8. All DOTD supplied load posting information concerning a bridge has been critically reviewed by the Parish Engineer prior to load posting.

4. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish are shown on the attached list in the format specified by the DOTD. Corrections to data supplied to the Parish by the DOTD are noted.

These stipulations are prerequisites to participation by the Parish in the Off-System Bridge Replacement Program.

And the vote on the motion was as follows: YEAS NAYS ABSENT

Melvin Ferrington, President

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Dunbar to approve a contract for further engineering services with Jordan Kaiser & Sessions for engineering services related to the Concordia Parish drainage study through

FEMA and GOHSEP in the amount of \$97,000 and authorizing the president to sign all documents pertaining to the contract. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Dunbar to approve a right-of-way and servitude agreement with American Midstream for a pipeline servitude in Ridgecrest provided that the plat as presented is filed along with the agreement in the clerk of court's office and to further authorize the president to sign the agreement. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Cook to approve payment to T & M Vegetation Control for weed control contract services in the amount of \$16,792.50. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Jernigan to approve a request by the Concordia Parish Sewerage District #1 for assistance in clearing the district's retention ponds at Panola Woods upon the district formally acquiring the retention pond property. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Jernigan to appoint Mr. Al Ater to the Concordia Parish Hospital Board. Motion carried with Mr. Dunbar and Mr. Shirley voting NO.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Beatty to appoint Mr. Craig Hawn to the Lake St. John Waterworks District. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Dunbar to reappoint Ms. Kathleen Stevens to the Concordia Parish Library Board. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Parker to reappoint Ms. Helen Lyles to the Concordia Parish Waterworks District No. 1. Motion carried.

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

Taxes by Rachel, 162 Belle Grove Circle, Vidalia—Finance & Tax Service
(New Business)

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Beatty to approve the following materials: 7 yards of washed gravel for Passman Road, 14 yards of pitrun gravel for Deer Park Road, 28 yards of washed gravel for Ferry Road, 14 yards of washed gravel for Edgar James Road, 28 yards of washed gravel for the Vidalia Cemetery Road, one 15" by 25' culvert for Ames Road and one 24" x 30' asphalt coated culvert for Cowan Addition Road. Motion carried.

The secretary treasurer was requested to check on the status of the jury in regard to the Workforce Investment Board. The secretary was also asked to proceed with the annual safety meeting at the Duck's Nest.

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Parker to request the Louisiana DOTD to install a culvert under the Tolliver Road where it meets the Doty Road (LA 903) and to notify Ms. Cheryl Lowry that property located at 217 Levens Addition is in violation of the parish grass and debris ordinance. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Cook to clarify the state's regulations as to having material from an off-site location brought to another location and burned at that location. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Shirley to request the sheriff's office to enforce the No Parking ordinance along Concordia Park in Vidalia. Motion carried.

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

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer