

CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 14, 2025
6:00 P.M.

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

President

Members

Cornell Lewis
Maurice Bachus, Wilbert Washington, Kenny Simpson
and Genesis Allen

Secretary/Treasurer

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Ariella Carter
Maurice Bachus
Kenny Simpson

The meeting was called to order by President Lewis Ms. Carter conducted the roll and a Quorum was declared present.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Simpson to approve the minutes from the March 24, 2025 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Bachus, duly seconded by Mr. Washington to waive the absence of Mrs. Genesis Allen and Mr. Kale Davis from the March 24, 2025 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Simpson, duly seconded by Mr. Washington to approve the minutes from the April 2, 2025 special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Washington to waive the absence of Mr. Maurice Bachus and Mr. Kale Davis from the April 2, 2025 special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Simpson to enter the public hearing to adopt Mallard, East and West Cottondale Roads. Motion carried unanimously.

During the public hearing Mr. David Moss and Mr. Gregory Green residents on East Cottondale Road asked that the Jury please consider adopting the roads so that they can be properly maintained. Mr. Moss stated that the residents have kept up to the best of their abilities, and that several vehicles have had problems getting down the roads including an ambulance that got stuck once.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mrs. Allen to exit the public hearing.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Davis to approve adopting Mallard, East and West Cottondale Roads. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Bachus, duly seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the purchase orders, statutory reports, bank statements, and bank reconciliations as reported. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the re-appointment of Mr. Bobby Sheppard, Jack Crane, and Sheriff David Hedrick to another six-year term to the Concordia Parish Communications District Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Simpson to approve the reappointment of Mr. Martin Hammett Jr. to another three-year term on the Concordia Parish Airport Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Bachus to approve the appointment of President Lewis to the ITEP Committee as the Parish contact. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Bachus, duly seconded by Mr. Washington to approve a hold harmless request to assist the Town of Ferriday with cleaning out the ditch canal on Harp Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Davis, duly seconded by Mr. Bachus to approve a hold harmless request to assist with spraying the weeds in the cracks on the asphalt track behind Ferriday Lower Elementary. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Bachus, duly seconded by Mr. Simpson to approve the occupational license for Jamaron Franklin dba JF Construction and Brady Fields dba United Hands Counseling Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Davis to cite the following ordinance violations. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bachus -- 147 Skipper Drive -- Grass, 353 Bayou Drive-Grass, and 367-Bayou Drive- Grass

Mr. Lewis -- Lot 46 in Little Acres subdivision -- Overgrown grass

Mr. Edwards- 224 Luke Martin Road- Mobile home debris blowing in the roads, and basketball goal in the street.

Work Orders from the Jurors were next brought forward. A motion was made by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Davis, to approve the following:

Mr. Bachus -- Thanked Tony on assisting in his district.

Mr. Washington -- HWY 900 & Anderson Road ditch is backing up down Anderson Road.

Mr. Simpson- Trailer on Freeman Road needs tearing down; 396 Freeman Road owners said that their driveway can be used as an entry as long as it is dry.

Mrs. Allen -- Checking on chemical/raw sewage on Freeman Street & Levee Heights, and ditches on Doy Garden Circle past Rev. Minor's need to be cleaned.

Mr. Lewis -- ditches on Stephens Road need cleaning.

Mr. Davis -- East side of Hammett Addition needs culverts checked.

The following updates were provided for Superintendent's Work Orders:

610 (yds) -- 105yds Ames, 30yds Herbert Crouch, 10yds Eagle, 10yds Brook Water, 30yds Bodark, 30 yds Archer.

Maintenance Gravel -- 15yds Tanner and 15yds Evans

Culverts -- 18"x46' Country Meadows, 18"x32' Country Meadows, 15"x32' Brook Water, 15"x34'

Pete Davis, 18"x40' Pete Davis, 24"x28' Lee Street, 24"x30' Lee Street, and 24"x30' Trading Post.

A motion was made by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Davis to approve superintendent's work orders. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Mr. Simpson asked Mrs. Carter to email Cindy with Entergy to check on the ROWs for the lights on Florence Matthews Drive.

Mr. Lewis asked Maintenance Superintendent Guillory to get with the Public Works committee to look at purchasing new equipment.

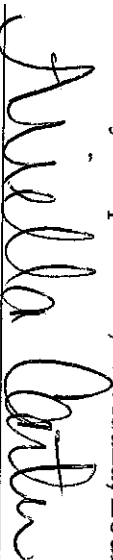
Maintenance Superintendent Guillory advised the Jury that there are several pieces of equipment that need to be auctioned off.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded Mr. Simpson to approve the auction of the surplus equipment. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Washington to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

CERTIFICATE

I, Ariella Carter, Secretary/Treasurer of the Concordia Parish Police Jury do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Concordia Parish Police Jury at which a quorum was present and participating on the 14th day of April 2025, in Vidalia, Louisiana.



Ariella Carter, Secretary/Treasurer