

CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 12, 2023
6:00 P.M.

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

President	Collin Edwards
Members	Gary Neal, Marie Yearby, Genesis Allen, Joseph Parker Sr Brad Adams, Maurice Bachus, Scottie Whittington
Absent	Adam Probst
Secretary/Treasurer	Ariella Carter
Invocation	Joseph Parker Sr.
Pledge of Allegiance	Genesis Allen

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Edwards. Mrs. Carter conducted the roll and a Quorum was declared present.

Upon a motion by Mr. Adams, duly seconded by Mr. Neal to approve the minutes from of the May 22, 2023, regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Adams, duly seconded by Mr. Whittington to approve the minutes from the May 24, 2023, special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Whittington, duly seconded by Mrs. Allen to waive the absence of Maurice Bachus and Gary Neal from the special meeting held on May 24, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Upon a motion by Mr. Whittington, duly seconded by Mr. Bachus to approve the Secretary/Treasurer and Genesis Allen to attend the grant writing training in Lake Charles on June 22-23, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Parker, duly seconded by Mr. Bachus to approve the requests for a hold harmless agreement to assist with the spraying the fence line, dugout area and bleachers at the park in Clayton, and the spraying of the fence line at Montgomery Square also known as Fort Bowie. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Parker, duly seconded by Mr. Neal, to advertise to approve the occupational license for Shambrika Harris dba Relentless Detailing in Ferriday. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Parker, duly seconded by Mr. Whittington to approve the appointment of Joey Merrill and Georgia Washington to an additional term as board members of the Concordia Parish Communications District. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Adams, duly seconded by Mrs. Allen to approve the following Alcohol Beverage Permits:

- Timothy Montpelier dba Frozen Spokane and Spokane Resort in Ferriday, La.
- Bobbie Elaine Aswell dba Sonny's Food Mart in Wildsville, La.
- Bobbie Elaine Aswell dba Paul's Grocery of Eva in Monterey, La.
- Dollar General Store #21589 in Vidalia, La.
- Karl Von Davis dba Karl's Lounge in Ferriday, La.
- Botoms Up in Vidalia, La.
- Amy Crane dba The Landing in Monterey, La.
- Gurpreet Singh dba Monterey Fuel LLC.
- JJ Sumrall LLC dba JoJo's Drive Thru in Vidalia, La. Motion carried unanimously.

Next brought forward were grant and project updates by Secretary/Treasurer Ariella Carter and Interim Secretary/Treasurer Cathy Darden. Ms. Carter notified the jurors that the ACT 170 paperwork was complete and submitted for the police jury, and that the paperwork for Monterey Recreation District was also in the process to be submitted for their ACT 170 reimbursements.

Mrs. Darden then notified everyone that they had spoken to Mr. Shuler and that they would be moving forward with the paved roads, and that the jury should have the paperwork pertaining to the roads in the next 30-45 days. Mrs. Darden also notified the jurors to give her a list of their roads that were not included in the FEMA paved roads, that needed to be repaired. Mrs. Darden advised the jurors that the jury could take out a bond and have all necessary roads fixed.

Work orders from the Jurors were next brought forward. A motion was made by Mr. Whittington, duly seconded by Mr. Neal to approve the following:

Mr. Bachus – Entrance coming into Ferriday by the memorial needs spraying.

Mr. Parker – Tumelo to Fisherman Drive over to Hwy 568 shoulders need to be addressed.

Mr. Whittington – The ditches on the asphalt roads to be cleaned out for better drainage.

Mr. Neal – The grader is needed on Doty Road.

Mr. Adams – Speed limit needs to be put up on Kemp's Landing Road.

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

610(yards) – 60yds on Eagle Rd.

Reclaim – 90 yds on Enterkin Rd., and 12 yds on Sycamore.

FEMA Stockpile – 105 yds of 610, 608 yards of Maintenance Gravel, and 272 yards of Pitrun.

A motion was made by Mr. Whittington, duly seconded by Mr. Neal to approve the materials. Motion carried unanimously.

Under new business the following were brought forward:

Upon a motion by Mr. Parker, duly seconded Mr. Bachus to look into funds for a bigger generator, one that can operate the entire courthouse.

Mr. Adams asked about contacting an engineering firm to complete an elevation shot on Wildcow due to losing water in the lakes from irrigations being in place.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Adams to move forward converting the Concordia Parish Health Unit to a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Neal, duly seconded by Mr. Adams to advertise for a sealed tractor bid on one of the Maintenance Unit's tractors, and also to purchase a new tractor. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Parker to enter executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Whittington to exit executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Whittington to outsource the Grant Administrator position. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Allen, duly seconded by Mr. Neal to adjourn the meeting. 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 12th day of June 2023, in Vidalia, Louisiana.



Ariella Carter, Secretary/Treasurer