

**CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 22, 2018  
6:00 P.M.**

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

President:	Jimmy Wilkinson
Members:	Jerry Beatty, Carey Cook, Willie Dunbar, Jimmy Jernigan, Adam Probst, Whest Shirley, and Tommy Tiffie
Absent:	Joseph Parker, Sr.
Secretary Treasurer:	Sandi T. Burley
Invocation:	Mr. Shirley
Pledge of Allegiance:	Mr. Probst

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 8, 2018 as mailed. Motion carried.

The meeting was open to the discussion of Farrar Road as a Parish Road. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Shirley to table this matter until Superintendent Jackie Pugh could obtain costs for materials and labor to format the road. Motion carried.

Next the Jurors discussed the renewal of the telephone service agreement with TEC. The contract is up for renewal in February for a 3 year renewal. The Old Courthouse service is included in this agreement and will need to be modified. A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Beatty to set up a meeting with the Courthouse Committee and TEC to discuss the renewal and service provided before renewing the contract. Motion carried.

A renewal of the Monterey Compactor site is due. An agreement has been in place since 2007 renewing every two years with Ms. Marilyn Foreman for use of this area. Ms. Foreman has asked for a rate increase from \$200 to \$250 a month for the next two years. A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Probst to renew the contract for two years at the rate of \$250 per month. Motion carried.

A motion was asked to amend the budget to account for the rate increase of the compactor site. A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Shirley to amend the budget to make the adjustments to the operating budget for 2018. Motion carried.

Civic Source who handles the Parish's adjudicated property requested a resolution to give their entity Power of Attorney to expedite the execution of property sales. A discussion took place over the types of service, fees, and frequency sales take place. Ms. Burley spoke of the

method in place to handle the closings of the property sales. A motion was made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Dunbar to table the matter until more information could be gathered on what extra fees the Parish may incur for Civic Source to handle the sales as our Power of Attorney on these matters. Motion carried.

Open discussion for ordinance violations took place. During discussion, Mr. Dunbar elaborated on problems and possible solutions when the property owner does not sign for the certified mail receipt of the letter. Mr. Shirley mentioned that previous discussion had taken place for an ordinance officer to issue the violations for local property owners to ensure delivery was obtained. Discussion ensued on having the Constable for the respective areas deliver the violations at the cost of \$50. No motion was made to act upon a suitable solution.

Ms. Burley gave her Secretary/Treasurer's report that the financials were wrapping up for the 2017 year. The bid process for the ADA lift for the Courthouse was discussed. Mr. Bennett is ready to advertise for bids and asked if the electronic bidding system could be used at a cost of approximately \$200 to the Parish. Using this system would automate the process and reach out to more professionals that utilize the system.

A motion was made by Mr. Jernigan seconded by Mr. Cook to approve the expenditure to utilize the electronic bidding system to advertise and solicit bids for the ADA Lift. Motion carried.

Under Committee Reports, an update was given on the status of the Courtroom renovation. Mr. Brocato asked for a meeting with the Courthouse Committee, and the DA's and Judge's to review the revised layout and drawings. The audiovisual and sound system information has been received by Mr. Brocato's office. The meeting is needed to review and finalize the layout and materials so he can proceed.

Also under Committee Reports, Mr. Wilkinson had spoken with DA Brad Burget regarding moving his staff from the Old Courthouse to the New Courthouse. Discussion on revamping current office space and open areas was held. Mr. Burget is willing to help the Police Jury make the necessary adjustments to accommodate his staff at the New Courthouse.

A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Shirley to approve an Occupational License from 88's Auto Repair, a new business providing auto repair services. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty seconded by Mr. Cook to approve the following Superintendent's Work orders:

- Lester Thompson Road – 7 yards washrock
- Haley Road – 28 yards oversize washrock
- Archer Road – 49 yards oversize washrock
- Deer Park – 21 yards washrock
- TP Track – 7 yards washrock
- Furr Road – 7 yards washrock
- Poole Road – 7 yards washrock
- Temple Road – 21 yards washrock
- Samson Road – 14 yards washrock

Motion carried.

Open discussion under Correspondence ensued. Distributed to the Jurors were the agenda and minutes of Recreation District #3 January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting and the January 23<sup>rd</sup> agenda for Riverland Medical Center.

Mr. Jernigan asked that a street light to the entry of Panola Woods be reported. He also asked for a list of the boards reporting thru the Police Jury and a Parish Road list be distributed to the Jurors.

Mr. Dunbar asked for an update on the Vidalia Canal. Mr. Wilkinson explained that the research was complete on whether the area provided an easement for the Police Jury to provide work. The results found that no easement is provided and that each land owner would have to give permission to allow the Police Jury to clean the canal and spread the sludge. Mr. Wilkinson asked Ms. Burley to have a representative from the office of Bryant Hammett & Associates at the next meeting and to ask the DA's office for assistance in drafting a proposal with the land areas adjoined to the Vidalia Canal.

Mr. Dunbar discussed the entrance from the main highway on Vail Acres. The DOTD had been previously contacted to address the condition of the entrance to this area. The road has a portion caving off and collapsed culvert making the road dangerous and hard to access. Mr. Dunbar asked Ms. Burley to contact the DOTD to report the issue again as it was not addressed after phone calls and letters previously sent.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Dunbar to adjourn. Motion carried.

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Sandi T. Burley, Secretary Treasurer