

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to adopt Ordinance 2016-02 requiring only an annual notice of violation to property owners as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-02

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE PARISH OF CONCORDIA , LOUISIANA
AMENDING THE CONCORDIA PARISH CODE OF
ORDINANCES, ARTICLE II. SEC.15.**

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury desires to keep residential areas free of obnoxious weeds and grass in compliance with its nuisance ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury requires proper notification of property owners as per Sec. 15-21 of the said ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the continued and repeated notification of any violation of the ordinance to the applicable property owner is time consuming, costly and not in the best interest of the neighboring property owners;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Concordia Parish Police Jury, State of Louisiana, that the Code of Ordinances be amended by adding the following section to the ordinance.

Sec. 15-24. The notification of the property owner as referred to in Sec. 15-21 shall be a one-time annual notification. The notification shall be in force from the time of the notification through December 31 of that calendar year.

And the vote thereon was as follows: Yays 8 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstain 0

And the ordinance was declared adopted in regular session held this 26th day of September, 2016 and becomes effective immediately.

Jimmy Jernigan, President

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer

A motion as made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to adopt Ordinance 2016-03 requiring only an annual notice of violation to property owners as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-03

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE PARISH OF CONCORDIA , LOUISIANA
AMENDING THE CONCORDIA PARISH CODE OF
ORDINANCES, ARTICLE I. SEC.15.**

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury desires to keep residential areas free of obnoxious weeds and grass in compliance with its nuisance ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury requires proper notification of

property owners as per Sec. 15-4, Sec. 15-5 and Sec. 15-6 of the said ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the continued and repeated notification of any violation of the ordinance to the applicable property owner is time consuming, costly and not in the best interest of the neighboring property owners;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Concordia Parish Police Jury, State of Louisiana, that the Code of Ordinances be amended by adding the following section to the ordinance.

Sec. 15-9. The notification of the property owner as referred to in Sec. 15-4, Sec. 15-5 and Sec. 15-6 shall be a one-time annual notification. The notification shall be in force from the time of the notification through December 31 of that calendar year.

And the vote thereon was as follows: Yays 8 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstain 0

And the ordinance was declared adopted in regular session held this 26th day of September, 2016 and becomes effective immediately.

Jimmy Jernigan, President

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer

A motion was made by Mr. Wilkinson seconded by Mr. Dunbar to add an item to the agenda, that being to allow Mr. Fred E. Bennett III to address the jury. Motion carried.

Mr. Bennett introduced himself and his company, architecture associates, to the jury and gave a short presentation which included his desire to be considered for any future architectural services the jury may need. The jury thanked him for his attendance.

A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Probst to approve Ordinance No. 2016-04 amending Ordinance No. 2016-01 to correct oversights and mistakes as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-04

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE PARISH OF CONCORDIA , LOUISIANA
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2016-01 WHICH APPROVED THE
ADDING OF CHARGES FOR GRASS AND PROPERTY CLEANING
TO THE PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT ROLLS FOR 2016**

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury desires to keep residential areas free of obnoxious weeds and grass in compliance with its nuisance ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury has complied with the proper notification provisions of said ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the property owners have failed to remit payment for said services; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2016-04 contained two mistakes; therefore

BE IT ORDAINED by the Concordia Parish Police Jury, State of Louisiana, that Ordinance No. 2016-01 be amended as follows and that the following charges be applied to the 2016 property tax assessment rolls as provided for in Louisiana R.S. 33:1236 (21) (a)(i):

Clinton Forrest Augustine, 385 Terry Circle, Vidalia, LA 71373
Lot 37 of Little Acres Subdivision, 2nd Development
Parcel #0400078402B \$ 1,000.00

Adrian Barret Kiser, 255 Terry Circle, Vidalia, LA 71373
Lot 5, Tract D, Airport Estates, Vidalia, LA
Parcel #0400110600 \$ 400.00

Sylvia Thomas, 133 Leroy Williams Road, Vidalia, LA 71373
Lot 50, Concordia Park Subdivision, Vidalia, LA
Parcel #040018940 \$ 409.69

Charles Philip James II, 450 Highway 569, Ferriday, LA 71334
Lot 16 Lower Spokane Subdivision, Ferriday, LA
Parcel #0100030800 \$ 600.00

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a copy of this ordinance be forwarded to the Honorable Jerry Clark, Tax Assessor of Concordia Parish for his further use.

And the vote thereon was as follows: Yays 8 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstain 0

And the ordinance was declared adopted in regular session held this 26th day of September, 2016 and becomes effective immediately.

Jimmy Jernigan, President

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer

Mr. Shirley gave a short report of the finance committee indicating the reported requirement from the Corps of Engineers and GOHSEP for additional funding for engineering services and establishment of an escrow account for future maintenance of the parish drainage facility currently under consideration. A short discussion ensued with Mr. Doug Wimberly of Jordan Kaiser & Sessions further explaining the rationale for the requirements. The jury then consented to having the matter referred back to the finance committee for further consideration and recommendation.

Mr. Friloux presented an audit engagement letter from Pinell & Martinez, L.L.P. for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018 with his recommendation that the jury authorize and approve the engagement agreement. The jury accepted the report as submitted.

A motion was then made by Mr. Tiffée seconded by Mr. Shirley to approve an Audit Engagement Agreement with Pinell & Martinez for Annual Audits for 2016, 2017 and 2018 at a rate of \$19,300 per year with a provision for additional fees of \$4,000 if single audits are needed in any year. Motion carried.

Mr. Jim Graves, Chairman of the Riverland Medical Center Board was present at the request of the jury along with Mr. Mike Taylor. The gentlemen gave a verbal report to follow-up on a letter sent by Mr. Graves to the jury on the current status of the hospital district's intent to seek funding for a new hospital facility. They explained the three part process the district used in reaching the current stage of consideration. The jury advised the district to keep the jury fully advised and Mr. Graves assured the jury that that would be done. The jury thanked them for their attendance with no other action taken.

A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Tiffée to approve a resolution in support of applying for funds through the Louisiana LGAP as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury is in need of funds to purchase two dump trucks for use by the parish maintenance work force for the purposes of improving drainage and road maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury, due to decrease in tax revenue, does not have sufficient funds for the purchase of this equipment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Concordia Parish Police Jury in regular session convened does hereby request funding through a LGAP 2017-2018 grant to fund the purchase of this much needed equipment;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Concordia Parish Police Jury, Jimmy Jernigan or any successor thereto, is hereby authorized to sign any and all documents needed to procure this grant and for the grants administration.

The Vote was as follows: Yeas 8 Nays 0 Absent 1

Motion carried and the Resolution declared adopted on the 26th day of September, 2016.

Jimmy Jernigan
President

Kevin M. Friloux
Secretary Treasurer

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Cook to approve a resolution in support of the El Camino Project as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Louisiana DOTD has the 2002 Master Plan of the El Camino East-West Corridor/Highway 6/84 Project starting from Toledo Bend, coming Eastward on Highway 6 through Sabine parish, continuing through Natchitoches Parish, entering into Highway 84 at Clarence, Louisiana, onward to Winnfield, in Winn Parish, to Jena in LaSalle Parish, on through Catahoula and Concordia Parishes and join the Natchez, Mississippi River Bridge; and

WHEREAS, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Texas have construction completed up to 70% to 100% of Highway 84, 1,700 miles and Louisiana has constructed 10% of the 168 miles, more or less; and

WHEREAS, the Concordia Parish Police Jury does support and endorse this much needed project and hereby request the Secretary of the Louisiana DOTD, Shawn D. Wilson, to elevate the El Camino East-West Corridor /Highway 6/84 Project to a higher priority and to make available the 20% funds for “Ready Projects”;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the Concordia Parish Police Jury adopts this resolution on a unanimous vote on this 26th day of September, 2016.

Jimmy Jernigan, President

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Shirley to table appointments to the El Camino Commission until the next meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Shirley to approve payment to Womack & Sons in the amount of \$123,012 for sewer district improvements. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Parker to approve payment to Jordan Kaiser & Sessions in the amount of \$2,943 for resident inspection for sewer district improvements. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Tiffie to approve payment to Jordan Kaiser & Sessions for drainage ditch survey work for the Mississippi River Relief Wells in the amount of \$2,210. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Probst to approve payment to Oliver Schulz & Associates for administrative services for the LCDBG sewer project improvements in the amount of \$3,292. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the Annual Safety Meeting at the Duck’s Nest, December 15, 2016. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Shirley to send grass violation notices to several property owners along Mooselodge and Freeman Road. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Dunbar to approve superintendent's material and work list as follows: Install two "Children at Play" signs on Wildsville Road and provide 28 yards of pitrun gravel for Grigsby Road. Motion carried.

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

Kevin M. Friloux, Secretary Treasurer