

**PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 16, 2019
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:	Carey Cook, Willie Dunbar, Joseph Parker, Sr., Adam Probst Jimmy Jernigan, Whest Shirley, and Tommy Tiffie
Absent:	Jerry Beatty
Secretary Treasurer:	Sandi T. Burley
Invocation:	Mr. Parker
Pledge of Allegiance:	Mr. Jernigan

- 1) Invocation, pledge, and roll call of members
- 2) A Public Hearing to “Establish a Five Ton Load Limit on Loop Road” was declared open upon a motion by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Parker and carried unanimously. Mr. Wilkinson opened the floor for public comments and discussion. There were none. A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Shirley to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Mr. Jernigan seconded by Mr. Tiffie to adopt Ordinance 19-05 establishing a 5-ton load limit on Loop Road. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Ordinance 19-05.)
- 3) A Public Hearing to “Establish a 25 mph Speed Limit on Temple Road” was declared open upon a motion by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Probst and carried unanimously. Mr. Wilkinson opened the floor for public comments and discussion. There were none. A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Cook to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Mr. Jernigan seconded by Mr. Shirley to adopt Ordinance 19-06 establishing a 25-mph speed limit on Temple Road. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Ordinance 19-06.)
- 4) A Public Hearing to “Adopt the 2020 Proposed Budget” was declared open upon a motion by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Jernigan and carried unanimously. Mr. Wilkinson opened the floor for public comments and discussion. There were none. A motion was made by Mr. Jernigan seconded by Mr. Probst to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Shirley to adopt Resolution 19-30 establishing the 2020 Operating Budget. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Resolution 19-30.)

- 5) An in globo motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Parker to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held November 25th and the Finance Committee meeting held December 10th. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6) A motion was made by Mr. Cook seconded by Mr. Shirley to ratify the purchase orders and bank statements. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7) Chemical Bids were next reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Dunbar to correct the agenda item from chemical bids to chemical quotes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shirley and carried unanimously. Discussion was then held on the chemical quotes received. After discussion of delivery costs and methods needed to further award the quote, a motion was made by Mr. Jernigan to place on the 2020 agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Parker and carried unanimously.
- 8) Resolution 19-29 was offered providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special election held on November 16, 2019 to authorize the levy of a special tax proposition renewing the public health millage. A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Probst and carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Resolution 19-029).
- 9) A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Parker to adopt the 2020 Holiday Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.
- 10) A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Probst to adopt the 2020 Meeting Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.
- 11) A motion was made by Mr. Cook seconded by Mr. Parker to advertise for a public hearing to adopt a 5-ton load limit and no parking on shoulders of road for Lee Tyler Road in Clayton. Motion carried unanimously.
- 12) Under announcements, the Parish wished to recognize the Ferriday High School Football Team for their state championship win. A motion was made by Mr. Shirley seconded by Mr. Jernigan to adopt Resolution 19-031 to recognize FHS's football team. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum for Resolution 19-31.)

The Jurors also wish to recognize and congratulate Ms. Shirley Crkonovic on her upcoming retirement from the Registrar of Voters office effective December 31, 2019.

- 13) A motion was made by Mr. Jernigan seconded by Mr. Dunbar to remove the Board Appointments from the agenda to allow for the determinations to be made by the incoming Jurors in 2020. Motion carried unanimously to review the item from the agenda.
- 14) Project of the Parish were next discussed.

Brushy Bayou: Discussed status of the CEA with the Fifth Levee District, platting needing completed for the borrow pit area and easements needed for the surrounding land owners. Access and right of way easements for land owners around the bridge and access roads have been mailed for review and execution.

Courtroom Renovations: Courtroom renovations are on schedule. Change orders for additional audiovisual components, electrical components for lawyers' desks, and contractor work to support the change requests are needed.

Washington Heights: A meeting was held with the engineers, contractors, and sewer district last week. JABAR will begin mobilizing this week. Two land owners present issues with the contracting work to be done. A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Jernigan to cite and send the appropriate letters to Mr. Charles Johnson of Robert Lewis Drive to remove abandoned vehicles and mobile home that are sitting in the right of way and Mr. Earl Walker who has trees growing in the right of way which need to be removed. Motion carried unanimously. Also, the need for the home owners to properly pump and fill in their current septic tanks was discussed once the project is completed and these homes are tied into the public sewer system.

An in globo motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Probst to approve payment application #2 to Wilmar Construction for Courtroom Renovation Project work in the amount of \$23,574 and to approve payment to Denmon Engineering for \$3,179 and GNF management for \$6,125 for services performed under the Washington Heights Project. Motion carried unanimously.

Vidalia Canal: No discussion.

- 15) Ordinance Violations of the Parish were next discussed. No action was taken by the Jurors.
- 16) Under the Secretary/Treasurer's report, Ms. Burley had no information to bring forward.
- 17) A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Shirley and carried unanimously to approve the occupational license for: Crowning Glory – Penny Harrigill, 209 Cowan Street – Hair Salon. Motion carried unanimously.
- 18) Superintendent's work orders were next discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie seconded by Mr. Probst and carried unanimously to approve the following:
Maintenance Gravel (in yards)– Ames Road - 15, Temple Road - 30 yards,
Bodark Road - 15; Wilson Road– 45; Evans – 30; Poole Road (Ferriday) – 30;
Twin Oaks – 15
Pitrun – Bodark – 15 yards
610 / Limestone (in tons) – Stevens Road – 6.75; BJ Road - 101.25; Sage Road – 39;
East Road 148.5
- 19) Work orders of the parish were next reviewed. No action taken.
- 20) Mr. Wilkinson opened the meeting for correspondence. Discussion of the letter received back from the Wildlife and Fisheries regarding further work done to the Little Cross Bayou was reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Jernigan to send a letter to the DA's office for further action needed to reimburse the parish for monies expended on survey work done by Jordan, Kaiser, & Sessions.

Each Juror gave a farewell address. Mr. Cook's words were agreed by all Jurors – "We didn't always agree, but we all got along to get things done."; Mr. Shirley spoke that in his sixteen years of serving as a Juror, one goal was kept – to make this place a better place to live; we achieved that. Mr. Dunbar spoke with humor as he spoke to the audience of being hard headed, but the goal was to get along with his fellow Jurors to work together. He further recognized the employees for the Parish, stating that you have to believe in your employees and to help them when you can.

Mr. Tiffie enjoyed working with everyone as one of the most senior Jurors leaving office. He believed good work had been done throughout his years of service to the Parish. He also spoke directly to Mr. Brad Adams who will be his successor, wishing him the best and to call any time. Mr. Jernigan followed Mr. Tiffie by speaking to his successor, Mr. Collin Edwards, and wishing him luck. Encouraging everyone to get along and agree to achieve what is best for the Parish. He also thanked Mr. Stanley Nelson from the Concordia Sentinel for his positive coverage of the Police Jury and the meetings.

Mr. Wilkinson spoke last of those leaving office. He stated it was an honor and pleasure to serve with all the Jurors and for the Parish. He spoke on grant projects being pursued for 2020 and beyond. He wished the new board the best and reminded them he was a phone call away.

Mr. Probst thanked the Jurors for allowing him to work alongside them and learn so much during his first term in office. Mr. Emerson Slain thanked the Jurors for always handling themselves professionally and for their hard work and efforts. Mr. Tony Guillory also thanked the Jurors for their service and for allowing him the opportunity to work with them on projects in their districts.

Lastly, Ms. Burley recognized each outgoing Juror with a special plaque commemorating their years in office. She thanked all of the Jurors for allowing her to learn and grow with them and earning their respect.

Also distributed to the Jurors were:
Recreation District #3: 11/14 Minutes
Concordia Waterworks: 10/15 Minutes
Hospital Board: 11/26 Agenda

- 21) There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Tiffie to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Sandi T. Burley, Secretary / Treasurer

ORDINANCE 19-05

ESTABLISHING A LOAD LIMIT OF 5 TONS ON LOOP ROAD

WHEREAS, the Police Jury seeks to establish a load limit on the parish road named Loop Road of 5 tons;

WHEREAS, the Police Jury has the authority under LRS 32:42 to set and establish load limits on all parish roads;

SECTION (1) BE IT ORDAINED, by the Concordia Parish Police Jury in regular session convened, that it shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate any motor vehicle, tractor, cart, truck and trailer or any combination thereof in excess of 5 tons on the parish road of Loop Road;

SECTION (2) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that 5 ton load limit signs shall be erected on the parish road of Loop Road;

SECTION (3) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any person or persons violating this ordinance shall be fined no more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned for thirty (30) days or both, at the discretion of the court;

SECTION (4) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that prosecution under this ordinance shall not affect any violator's civil liability to any party damaged as a result of operating a vehicle, tractor, cart, truck and trailer or any combinations thereof in excess of 5 tons by the violator;

SECTION (5) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or resolutions or parts of them in conflict herewith are hereby repealed;

SECTION (6) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that Ordinances under Chapter 14, Article I, Section 14-2 (c) be amended to include the addition of a load limit of 5 tons established for Loop Road;

Be it ordained and adopted this 16th day of December, 2019, in regular session, and the votes were recorded as follows:

Yeas: 8 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

/s/ Jimmy Wilkinson
President

/s/ Sandi T. Burley
Secretary / Treasurer

ORDINANCE 19-06

ESTABLISHING A SPEED LIMIT OF 25 MPH ON TEMPLE ROAD

WHEREAS, the Police Jury seeks to establish a speed limit on the parish road named Temple Road of 25 mph;

WHEREAS, the Police Jury has the authority under LRS 32:42 to set and establish speed limits on all parish roads;

SECTION (1) BE IT ORDAINED, by the Concordia Parish Police Jury in regular session convened, that it shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate any motor vehicle, tractor, cart, truck and trailer or any combination thereof in excess of 25 MPH on the parish road of Temple Road;

SECTION (2) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that 25 MPH speed limit signs shall be erected on the parish road of Temple Road;

SECTION (3) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any person or persons violating this ordinance shall be fined no more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or imprisoned for thirty (30) days or both, at the discretion of the court;

SECTION (4) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or resolutions or parts of them in conflict herewith are hereby repealed;

SECTION (5) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that Ordinances under Chapter 14, Article I, Section 14-4 be amended to include the addition of a speed limit of 25 mph established for Temple Road;

Be it ordained and adopted this 16th day of December, 2019, in regular session, and the votes were recorded as follows:

Yeas: 8 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

 /s/ Jimmy Wilkinson
President

 /s/ Sandi T. Burley
Secretary / Treasurer

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Parker and seconded by Mr. Probst:

RESOLUTION 19-029

A resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, November 16, 2019, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. Canvass. This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulations of votes cast at the special election held in the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2019, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein, and said Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the special election.

SECTION 2. Procès Verbal. A *Procès Verbal* of the canvass of the returns of said election shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Concordia, who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of said Parish; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

SECTION 3. Promulgation of Election Result. The result of said election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

<u>MEMBERS:</u>	<u>YEAS:</u>	<u>NAYS:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTAINING:</u>
Joseph Parker, Sr.	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Carey Cook	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Willie Dunbar	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Jimmy Jernigan	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Adam Probst	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Whest Shirley	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Tommy Tiffie	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Jimmy Wilkinson	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Jerry Beatty	_____	_____	<u> X </u>	_____

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 16th day of December, 2019.

/s/ Sandi T. Burley
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/ Jimmy Wilkinson
President

