

The Police Jury met in regular session assembled with the following members present: Ryan Williams, Sidney Fontenot, Kevin Veillon, Eric Soileau, Ryan Ardoin, Lamar Johnson, Keith Saucier, Bryan Vidrine, and Daniel Arvie. All members were present.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Daniel Arvie approving the January 11, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion was Eric Soileau and seconded by Sidney Fontenot approving to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Evangeline Parish Police Jury, governing body of the Parish of Evangeline, State of Louisiana, does hereby approve making permanent the following precincts location:

Evangeline Parish Ville Platte Library located at 916 West Main Street, Ville Platte, La 70586:  
Voting Precincts 1140, 1162, 1060

Evangeline Parish Voting Machine Warehouse located at 1208 Dardeau St., Ville Platte, La 70586: Voting Precincts 1081, 1090, 1091; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Evangeline Parish Police Jury, governing body of the Parish of Evangeline, State of Louisiana, does also hereby approve the permanent moving of precincts 2020, 2030, and 2040 from the J.C. Speyrer Center located at 2617 Dr. Bobbie Deshotel Ave., Basile, La 70515 to the Saint Augustine CCD Building located at 2627 Dr. Bobbie Deshotel Ave., Basile, La 70515.

The above and foregoing, having been submitted to a vote was unanimously adopted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2021.

State Representative Heather Cloud addressed the Jury to request the Jury in supporting and adopting a resolution for rural broadband due to the lack of access in rural areas. Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Bryan Vidrine approving to adopt a resolution in support of rural broadband for Evangeline Parish. Motion carried.

Elizabeth West, Tourism Executive Director addressed the Jury regarding board appointments. Motion was made by Lamar Johnson and seconded by Sidney Fontenot to approve and adopt the following board appointments effective February 2021 and term limits:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>APPOINTMENT DATE</u>	<u>TERM LENGTH</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRE</u>	<u>AREA REPRESENTING</u>
Wanda Verrette	February 2021	3 Year Term	February 2024	Member-At-Large
Derrell Thomas	February 2021	1 Year Term	February 2022	Mamou
Hattie Johnson	February 2021	1 Year Term	February 2022	Pine Prairie
Haley Ortego	February 2021	2 Year Term	February 2023	Basile
Jay Gielow	February 2021	2 Year Term	February 2023	Ville Platte
Paula Darbonne	February 2021	3 Year Term	February 2023	Chataignier
Opal Andrus	February 2021	3 Year Term	February 2024	Turkey Creek

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Lamar Johnson and seconded by Bryan Vidrine approving the reappointment of Kerry Fontenot and Bobby Nacio to Ward 4 Fire Protection District Board in Pine Prairie for two year term. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Kevin Veillon to approve the cemetery maintenance list for the fiscal year 2021 beginning March 1, 2021 to October 31, 2021. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Keith Saucier to adopt the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the fiscal year 2020 audit. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Bryan Vidrine and seconded by Daniel Arvie approving Kolder, Slaven & Company to provide auditing services to the Evangeline Parish Police Jury for the fiscal year 2020 audit. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot, seconded by Keith Saucier and unanimously approved to amend the agenda to add the following items:

1. Review damage claim on Whispering Pine Rd.
2. Review property damage claim from CenturyLink for repair of cut cable.

Damage claim on Whispering Pines Road was then discussed. A constituent was heading west on Whispering Pines and struck a speed limit sign that was leaning and obstructing the edge of the road. Passenger side mirror was damaged. The lowest estimate received was in the amount of \$199.20. Police report was made and the obstruction was viewed and corrected. Motion was made by Bryan Vidrine and seconded by Keith Saucier approving the damage claim of \$199.20 to be paid out of District #9 funds. Motion carried.

Property damage claim was made from Centurylink for repairs of a cut cable line while cleaning a drainage ditch on Elmus D. Road. The cost to repair the damages will be \$4,686.66. Motion was made by Bryan Vidrine and seconded by Kevin Veillon approving to deny the claim. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Lamar Johnson and seconded by Sidney Fontenot authorizing the payment of bills on file in the office. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Lamar Johnson approving the jail supply list as submitted. Motion carried.

Public Works Director gave the following report:

- Approve a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Village of Chataignier.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Lamar Johnson approving to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Village of Chataignier for the use of man power and equipment to assist with pot hold patching. Motion carried.

- Region B Yard Building approximate date of receiving this building is in four months.
- Ward 1 Equipment is located in District #7.
- Parish Wide Drainage Equipment is located in District #1.

No report was given by Parish Engineer at this time.

Secretary-Treasurer, Donald Bergeron, gave the following report:

- Resolution was passed by Acadiana Planning Commission in support of Senator Bill Cassidy's efforts to obtain guidance related to the December 27, 2020 COVID 19 relief bill.
- Mr. Bergeron stated that each juror has been emailed the parish budget to actual comparison reports for each fund and asked the Jury if there were any questions regarding those reports. No comments were reported.

- Acadian Ambulance monthly report is in compliance with the ordinance.
- Approve Bayou Petite Pas Gravity Drainage District Budget was received for approval.

Motion was made by Kevin Veillon and seconded by Daniel Arive approving the budget received from Bayou Petite Pas Gravity Drainage District for the Fiscal year 2021. Motion carried.

- Sales Tax collection, collected in January 2021 for the month of December 2020, \$375,885.15.

Motion was made by Daniel Arvie and seconded by Lamar Johnson approving to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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Ryan Williams, President

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Donald Bergeron, Secretary-Treasurer