

The Police Jury met in regular session assembled with the following members present: Ryan Williams, Sidney Fontenot, Kevin Veillon, Eric Soileau, Ryan Ardoin, Lelia Thrasher, Keith Saucier and Bryan Vidrine. Absent and excused was Daniel Arvie. A quorum was present.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Keith Saucier approving the September 13, 2021 Public Hearing, Committee and Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Kevin Veillon approving the Jail Supply list as submitted. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gwen Fontenot, Chamber of Commerce President, addressed the Jury to present a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Chamber and the Police Jury. This agreement describes the scope of work the Chamber provides for the parish and is requesting the \$650 financial contribution be sent directly to them instead of the Evangeline Tourism. The Tourism is in support of this. Motion was made by Bryan Vidrine and seconded by Eric Soileau approving to move forward and approve a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Chamber of Commerce and the Evangeline Parish Police Jury, contingent upon Legal Consuls review. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Eric Soileau approving to amend the 2% Sales Tax Fund to reflect increase in tax collections, as recommended by bond consul for the refinancing of bonds. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Sidney Fontenot approving the appointment of Eugene Manuel on the Duralde Gravity Drainage Board to replace John Bihm who has deceased. Appointment is contingent upon application received. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kevin Veillon and seconded by Eric Soileau approving the reappointment of Nathaniel Thomas and Lynn Gooden to the Evangeline Parish Communications Board. Motion carried.

Nominations were then made for the appointment of a new board member on the Evangeline Parish Solid Waste Commission Board, to replace Pat Soileau who has deceased.

On motion of Keith Saucier Mr. Phil Miller was nominated for appointment.

On motion of Kevin Veillon, Mr. Shane Darbonne was nominated for appointment.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Eric Soileau that nominations are hereby closed.

The motion was called to a vote and went as follows:

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| Phil Miller    | 2 |
| Shane Darbonne | 4 |

The above and foregoing, having been submitted to a vote was unanimously approved to appoint Mr. Shane Darbonne as member to the Evangeline Parish Solid Waste Commission. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Eric Soileau and seconded by Ryan Ardoin to approve the 2021 EMPG Grant in the amount of \$30,117.66 for OEP Salaries. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot, seconded by Kevin Veillon and unanimously approved to amend the agenda to add the following item:

1. Reappoint Paul Berzas to Duralde Gravity Drainage District No. 4.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Kevin Veillon approving the reappointment of Paul Berzas to Duralde Gravity Drainage District No. 4. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Sidney Fontenot approving attendance to the Louisiana Rural Water Association Conference October 18-21, 2021 for James Fontenot to acquire continuing education. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Keith Saucier to approve the hiring of Amber Robertson Fontenot for the part-time permit clerk position, at 20 hours per week, \$10.00 per hour. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kevin Veillon and seconded by Keith Saucier approving trick or treating hours for the rural areas of Evangeline Parish for Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and Crooked Creek Recreational Park will hold Trick or Treating in the campground on Saturday, October 30, 2021 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Motion carried.

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

Public Works Director gave the following report:

- Parish wide drainage equipment is located in District 7.
- Approve CEA with School Board

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Kevin Veillon approving to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the School Board to assist with grading of road to the Basile football field. Motion carried.

- Notifying the jury of two trucks that will need to be purchased, one for Region A Yard and another for Region B Litter Abatement.

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

- Acadian Ambulance monthly report was in compliance with the ordinance.
- 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 the reports. No comments were reported.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Ryan Ardoin approving to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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Ryan Williams, President

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Donald Bergeron, Secretary-Treasurer