

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

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Kevin Veillon to approve the November 7, 2022 Committee and Regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

The Jury then reviewed the Evangeline Parish Communications District #1 Budget for fiscal year 2023. Mr. Pat Derouselle addressed the Jury to discuss the proposed budget. Mr. Derouselle stated that the tax renewal failed in this past election, which will expire at the end of the fiscal year 2023. They are currently in the process of deciding when would be the best time to call an election to put the tax renewal back on the ballot. The budget was then reviewed and motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Ryan Ardoin to approve Evangeline Parish Communications District #1 2023 Budget as submitted. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Williams and seconded by Lelia Thrasher approving to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Evangeline Parish Police Jury having published notice of public hearing and said public hearing having been held, that the proposed budget amendments for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022 for all funds hereby be adopted;

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

YAYS: Sidney Fontenot, Lelia Thrasher, Ryan Ardoin, Bryan Vidrine, Keith Saucier,  
Ryan Williams, Kevin Veillon.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: Eric Soileau, Daniel Arvie.

The above and foregoing resolution was hereby adopted this 5th day of December 2022.

Motion was made by Ryan Williams and seconded by Ryan Ardoin approving the 2023 employee rehire list as submitted with the following changes, effective December 30, 2022:

- Chester Granger, Secretary-Treasurer Interim
- Terminate Gary Celestine – Water/Sewer Dept.
- Open Position Water/Sewer Dept. Licensed Assistant
- James Fontenot, Water/Sewer Supervisor additional \$2/hr. pay increase
- Andrew Tate – Public Works Director
- James Matherne, Region A Road Supervisor
- Jody Snoddy, Asst. Public Works Director

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Lelia Thrasher approving to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Evangeline Parish Police Jury having published notice of public hearing and said public hearing having been held, that the proposed budgets appropriations for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023 for all funds hereby be adopted;

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

YAYS: Ryan Williams, Ryan Ardoin, Lamar Johnson, Bryan Vidrine, Kevin Veillon, Keith Saucier, Sidney Fontenot.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: Eric Soileau, Daniel Arvie.

The above and foregoing resolution was hereby adopted this 5th day of December 2022.

Motion was made by Lelia Thrasher and seconded by Keith Saucier that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, in accordance with the resolution of November 7, 2022 the Police Jury published its intention to abandon the following property to wit:

The Parish Road identified as Bessie Road on the Parish E-911 maps. The portion of road to be abandoned is located in Section 21, Township 2 South, Range 1 East of Evangeline Parish, Louisiana from the cattle guard to intersection of said road.

The Parish Road identified as Own Street on the Parish E-911 maps. The road to be abandoned is located in Section 26, Township 1 South, Range 1 West of Evangeline Parish, Louisiana.

The Parish Road identified as Wade Road on the Parish E-911 maps. The portion of road to be abandoned is located in Section 8, Township 1 South, Range 1 East of Evangeline Parish, Louisiana, .2 miles from Hwy. 167 to end of said road, about 1349 feet.

The Parish Road identified as Nobrac Road on the Parish E-911 maps. The road to be abandoned is located in Section 17, Township 1 South, Range 1 East of Evangeline Parish, Louisiana starting from Austin Road to Jenkins Road which is 1887 feet.

The Parish Road identified as Owl Street on the Parish E-911 maps. The road to be abandoned is located in Section 26, Township 1 South, Range 1 West of Evangeline Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, there were no objections received to these abandonments from adjacent property owners.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Jury does hereby declare the above named roads as abandoned as described.

The above and foregoing, having been submitted to a vote, was unanimously adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022.

Motion was made by Kevin Veillon and seconded by Sidney Fontenot to approve the merging of Lone Pine Fire District and Ward Five Fire Protection District. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sidney Fontenot and seconded by Ryan Williams approving the Acadiana Crime Lab 2023 Proposed Budgets as submitted. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Lelia Thrasher approving the 2023 Holiday list as follows:

Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 16, 2023
President's Day	February 20, 2023
Good Friday	April 7, 2023
Memorial Day	May 29, 2023
Juneteenth National Independence Day	June 19, 2023
Independence Day	July 4, 2023
Labor Day	September 4, 2023
Veterans Day	November 10, 2023
Thanksgiving Day	November 23-24, 2023
Christmas Day	December 25-26, 2023
New Year's Day	January 1-2, 2024
(2) Personnel Days	To be used by the end of the calendar year.

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Lelia Thrasher approving to amend the 2022 Holiday Schedule to include December 23<sup>rd</sup> and December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as holidays for Parish employees. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Kevin Veillon to adopt the Capital Outlay Plan for the Fiscal Years 2023-2025. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kevin Veillon and seconded by Keith Saucier approving to set the January regular meeting to January 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Ryan Ardoin to approve the surveying of land at the Industrial Park for the new jail facility. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin, seconded by Kevin Veillon and unanimously approved to amend the agenda to add the following items:

1. Moving of funding from Road District Four Fund (D6) to Road District Three Fund (D6) for payroll.

Motion was made by Ryan Williams and seconded by Kevin Veillon to approve the moving of payroll for District 6 from Road District Four Fund to Road District Three Fund. Motion carried.

2. Damage claim in District 1

Motion was made by Ryan Williams and seconded by Keith Saucier to approve a damage claim in the amount of \$4,935.02, to be paid out of District 1 funds. Motion carried.

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

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Bryan Vidrine, President

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Donald Bergeron, Secretary-Treasurer