

The Executive Committee met with the following members present: Bryan Vidrine, Keith Saucier, Kevin Veillon, and Ryan Ardoin. Absent and excused was Sidney Fontenot. A quorum was present.

Public Works Director addressed the Jury regarding auto allowances. Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Kevin Veillon to approve an additional \$500/month auto allowance to Public Works Assistance and Park Manager to replace the use of fuel cards. Motion carried.

The Committee then discussed the need to adopt a wind ordinance to establish regulations and permit requirements for wind energy conversion systems within Evangeline Parish. A draft ordinance was given to each juror to be reviewed.

The Solar Panel Advisory Board was then discussed. The Jury had approved the creation of a board which will consist of 2 jurors and 5 outside members. Members will be discussed in more detail at next months meeting.

Insurance Consultant, Mr. Phil Lemoine spoke before the Committee regarding Medicare benefits for employees 65 and over. In April of 2022, the Jury adopted a policy to allow eligible employees to opt out of the Group Health Insurance Plan and enroll in a Medicare Plan. The Jury would save approximately \$3,300-\$3,500 per year per employee if choosing to opt out of the group plan and go with a Medicare plan. The Jury would pay 92% of the Medicare Part B. Mr. Lemoine is recommending the Jury to endorse the plan to allow employees to opt out of the Health Insurance Group Plan providing the Police Jury would pay the 92%.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Keith Saucier approving to endorse employees age 65 and older to opt out the Parish Group Health Insurance Plan to enroll in a Medicare Plan and allow a 92% reimbursement of the Medicare Supplement Plan to the eligible employee. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Kevin Veillon approving to adjourn the executive committee meeting. Motion carried.

Bryan Vidrine, Chairman

Dirk Deville, Secretary-Treasurer

Road and Bridge Committee

April 1, 2024

The Road and Bridge Committee met with the following members present: Sidney Fontenot, Bryan Vidrine, Kevin Veillon, Keith Saucier and Ryan Ardoin. All members were present.

Motion was made by Bryan Vidrine and seconded by to approve the acquisition of two (2) crack fill melter applicators and material for District 4 and District 5, to use towards the repair of asphalt roads. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Bryan Vidrine to adjourn the road and bridge committee meeting. Motion carried.

Sidney Fontenot, Chairman

Dirk Deville, Secretary-Treasurer

Drainage Committee
April 1, 2024

The Drainage Committee met with the following members present: Keith Saucier, Bryan Vidrine, Brent Guillory and Ryan Ardoin. Absent and excused was Daniel Arvie. A quorum was present.

Announcement was made that the Detention Pond Kickoff Meeting with the State Office of Community Development is scheduled for April 4, 2024 at 10:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Bryan Vidrine and seconded by Brent Guillory approving to adjourn the drainage committee. Motion carried.

Keith Saucier, Chairman

Dirk Deville, Secretary-Treasurer

Crooked Creek Committee
April 1, 2024

The Crooked Creek Committee met with the following members present: Bryan Vidrine, Daniel Arvie, Tim Causey, Ryan Ardoin and Darion Arvie. All members were present.

The following report was given from Park Manager at Crooked Creek Recreational Park:

- Thanked the Police Jury for approving equipment purchases at the park.
- April 2, 2024 there will be a 4-H Children's Clinic at 9:00 a.m.
- Cleco will be sending 30 members of their staff out working on various projects around the park on April 17, 2024
- On April 20, 2024 Charlie Rivers will be providing entertainment. Music starts at 7:00 p.m.
- May 25, 2024, Memorial Weekend will be the Blackpot Cookoff with a live band.
- June 29, 2024, Forth of July Celebration will also include a live band with fireworks.
- Approve the hiring of an employee due to an injury with current employee.

Motion was made by Tim Causey and seconded by Darion Arvie to approve the hiring of a part-time position at Crooked Creek Recreational Park. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Tim Causey and seconded by Ryan Ardoin approving to adjourn the crooked creek committee. Motion carried.

Bryan Vidrine, Chairman

Dirk Deville, Secretary-Treasurer

Building Committee
April 1, 2024

The Building Committee met with the following members present: Sidney Fontenot, Bryan Vidrine, Darion Arvie, Ryan Ardoin and Kevin Veillon. All members were present.

It was mentioned that a Committee will be formed to discuss work needed to be conducted at the Courthouse in regards to the \$1,150,000 Grant.

It was discussed that the Chauncey Pitre Barn Committee will consist of the following members:

Ben Wattson
Kyle Fontenot
Jody Snoddy,
Vincent Deshotel
3 Jurors

Secretary-Treasurer, Dirk Deville, stated to the committee that the chillers located in the Courthouse need repairing. Cost of labor and materials, \$8,074.04. This item will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Motion was made by Bryan Vidrine and seconded by Darion Arvie approving to adjourn the building committee. Motion carried.

Sidney Fontenot, Chairman

Dirk Deville, Secretary-Treasurer

Broadband Committee
April 1, 2024

The Broadband Committee met with the following members present: Bryan Vidrine, Darion Arvie, Brent Guillory, Sidney Fontenot and Tim Causey. All members were present.

LUS Fiber updated the Jury on broadband project.

Federal Grants are still ongoing in order to connect Evangeline Parish. City of Ville Platte customers will be up at the beginning of April 2024. Final phases are anticipated for the end of the summer.

Motion was made by Tim Causey and seconded by Brent Guillory approving to adjourn the broadband committee. Motion carried.

Bryan Vidrine, Chairman

Dirk Deville, Secretary-Treasurer

Sewer Committee
April 1, 2024

The Sewer Committee met with the following members present: Tim Causey, Daniel Arvie, Bryan Vidrine, Brent Guillory and Keith Saucier. All members were present.

Progress on the Wyble Sewer Plant Project was discussed. Replacement of the cinder block tower per low bidder, Gunner Construction, \$39,700.

Motion was made by Bryan Vidrine and seconded by Keith Saucier to approve the low bid from Gunner Construction in the amount of \$39,700. Motion carried.

Bids were received for project. Low bid came in \$500,000 over the construction budget.

Motion was made by Daniel Arvie and seconded by Bryan Vidrine approving to adjourn the Sewer Committee. Motion carried.

Tim Causey, Chairman

Dirk Deville, Secretary-Treasurer

Equipment Committee
April 1, 2024

The Equipment Committee met with the following members present: Tim Causey, Daniel Arvie, Bryan Vidrine, Brent Guillory and Keith Saucier. All members were present.

Public Works Director stated that quotes on a new grader for District 2 has been obtained along with rental information if choosing to go that route. This item will be brought up for further discussion and approval in the regular meeting.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Bryan Vidrine approving to adjourn the equipment committee. Motion carried.

Tim Causey, Chairman

Dirk DeVille, Secretary-Treasurer