

The Police Jury met in Special Session assembled with the following members present: Bryan Vidrine, Ryan Ardoin, Tim Causey, Kevin Veillon, Brent Guillory, Darion Arvie and Daniel Arvie. Absent and excused were Keith Saucier and Sidney Fontenot. A quorum was present.

There were no comments from the public regarding the agenda items.

Motion was made by Kevin Veillon and seconded by Darion Arvie approving the October 7, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brent Guillory and seconded by Darion Arvie authorizing the Industrial Development Board District No. 1 to begin discussing pilot program with Recurrent Energy regarding their Zydeco Solar Project application. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Brent Guillory to approve escrow agreement authorizing the Secretary-Treasurer and President to execute terms of solar permit payments. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kevin Veillon and seconded by Darion Arvie approving to replace Chad Soileau with Betsy Jackson on the Industrial Development Board District No. 1 for remainder of the term. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Darion Arvie and seconded by Brent Guillory approving to adopt a resolution authorizing the appropriation of \$170,000 as matching funds for the Courthouse Improvements grant through the Legislatures Capitol Outlay program. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kevin Veillon and seconded by Darion Arvie approving to adopt a resolution to provide funding to cover expenses over and beyond those recognized within the contract for the new Wyble sewer system through Louisiana's Water Sector Program. Motion carried.

No action was taken on Governor's proposed tax reform legislation.

Motion was made by Darion Arvie and seconded by Tim Causey approving to create a committee to review the impact of the Governors proposed tax reform legislative package on Evangeline Parish. The Committee will include entities as follows:

Evangeline Parish Sheriff
Evangeline Parish Police Jury
Evangeline Parish School Board
Evangeline Parish Tax Assessor
Evangeline Parish Sales Use Tax Commission

Motion carried.

The Jury then discussed the lease of a backhoe with Progressive Tractor for Region C. Motion was made by Tim Causey and seconded by Ryan Ardoin to approve a 5-year lease with Progressive Tractor for a backhoe at \$16,000 per year to be paid out of Road District Four Fund (118) for Region C. Motion carried.

The parish road ordinance was then discussed in amending the bond requirements to reflect increased penalty for damages caused by heavy haulers. Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Tim Causey to approve setting up an advisory committee for the road ordinance which will be discussed further during the November 4, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Darion Arvie and seconded by Kevin Veillon approving to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.