

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

Mr. Rufus Seria addressed the Jury commenting on agenda item to set date for public hearing for trail ride ordinance. Mr. Seria stated that as the governing authority of the parish the individuals holding events need to be held accountable.

Motion was made by Tim Causey and seconded by Keith Saucier approving the April 7, 2025 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier, seconded by Ryan Ardoin an unanimously approved to amend the agenda to add the following item:

1. Approve actions held at the May 5, 2025 Committee Meetings.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Daniel Arvie approving actions held at the May 5, 2025 Committee Meetings. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Ryan Ardoin approving to adopt a resolution approving and confirming Capital Area Finance Authority (CAFA) the issuance of the Bonds to finance loans to first-time homebuyers and veterans within the Parish of Evangeline. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ryan Ardoin and seconded by Keith Saucier approving the payment of \$11,278.00 to Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory for new crime lab to be paid out of the Opioid fund. Motion carried.

Agenda item #8 will be tabled at this time.

Notice to the Jury that Small Business Loans (SBA) is being expanded to Evangeline Parish.

Motion was made by Daniel Arvie and seconded by Ryan Ardoin approving to adopt the following policy related to culvert installation:

#### SECTION 4.17: General Work Policies

It shall be the policy of the Evangeline Parish Police Jury to install up to 40 feet of culvert for driveways within the parish road right of way for each 911 address. The Police Jury will provide labor and dirt for installation to ensure the uniformity of the drainage system. The parish's responsibilities regarding road, bridge and drainage needs and maintenance may not be delayed by culvert installation for private drives at any time. Installation of culverts for private drives will never supersede work to be done on parish roads, bridges and drainage. The Police Jury will not install cleanouts under any circumstances. Motion carried.

Vehicle policy was then discussed on the use of parish owned vehicles. Motion was made by Daniel Arvie and seconded by Tim Causey approving to leave Section 4.11: Use of Public and Private Vehicle Policy as stated. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Brent Guillory approving to call a public hearing on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Courthouse Building, 200 Court Street, Ste. 207, Ville Platte, La to hear public comments and/or questions regarding the Police Jury's adoption of a Trail Ride Ordinance. Motion carried.

Parish Engineer stated to the Jury that the parish is extending a large gas line to the front of the Industrial Park coming from Tate Cove Road. Requesting the Jury and would benefit the Jury and the park to go out West towards Maxie Rae Blvd and tie into the Rixby Manuel line. This would cost an additional \$74,740.

Motion was made by Brent Guillory and seconded by Darion Arvie approving the extension of gas line located at the Industrial Park as recommended by Parish Engineer. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Keith Saucier and seconded by Tim Causey approving the jail supply list as submitted. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brent Guillory and seconded by Tim Causey authorizing the payment of bills on file in the Police Jury Office. Motion carried.

Parish Engineer gave the following report:

- Wastewater Treatment Plant contracts will be executed this week.
- Capital Outlay Projects for the Courthouse – currently working on contracts and will bring back before the Jury once finalized.

Secretary-Treasurer gave the following report:

- Monthly budget to actual financial reports has been submitted to each Jury. No comments were reported.

Motion was made by Tim Causey and seconded by Keith Saucier approving to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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Kevin Veillon, President

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Dirk Deville, Secretary-Treasurer