

Drainage Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
4:30 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Jamie Ponville, Chairman; Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Myron Matherne.  
Committee member recorded as absent was: Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as absent were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Michael Dias.
2. Committee member Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve to reappoint Ronnie Bailey and Shaye Touts to the Bayou L'Ourse Drainage District #1 for each a 5 yr. term." The motion was unanimously adopted.
3. Committee member Patrick Johnson entered the meeting at this time.
4. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve authorization for an Intergovernmental Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the Assumption Parish Police Jury and the Lafourche Basin Levee District - pursuant to drainage project(s) in Assumption Parish, and for ancillary matters - in particular: Bayou Napoleon and authorize the President to execute said Agreement." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Committee member Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve \$3,430 for South Loop Canal Sweeping Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$1,200 for Field of Dream Subdivision Outfalls Sweeping Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. Police Juror Ron Alcorn entered the meeting at this time.
8. Chairman Jamie Ponville stated that just recently near the Post Office they had stagnated water that remained for 3-5 days. He stated that he and the Parish Manager contacted the State to request the culvert cleaner and was told it would be a couple of months before they would get out there to clean the ditches. He then stated that in times like this is when he would like to see the parish cleaner being utilized in these situations. Committee member Patrick Johnson stated that he doesn't think the Parish is trying to take on the work of the State because we're not able to keep up with what we have but it should be done at the Parishes discretion. He also stated that Mr. Elizar informed him that other Parish's have entered into an agreement with the State and they are doing some meaningful improvements. He added that he's not sure about the compensation but if it is included and the Parish brings on the man power that the Parish Manager is anticipating, it may be something to consider. Chairman Jamie Ponville stated that he's not looking to take on every State right of way but certain areas where there are emergency situations. A brief discussion was held regarding the Parish Manager making the decision that the area is an emergency (public safety or public property). Following the discussion, committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that he lives along a State highway and pays the same taxes as someone that resides on the Parish road therefore, he should have equal access to the Parish assets. Committee member Patrick Johnson reiterated that there should be some communications with the State to see if there could be some sort of agreement that would encompass compensation. A brief discussion was then held regarding the local State office servicing several parishes and the shortage with man power. Committee member Chris Carter stated that he contacted the State Representative and a crew from Baton Rouge was sent down to perform the work. Following a brief discussion, the Chairman stated that he would like to see the Parish culvert cleaner used to correct these emergency situations. The committee agreed to allow the Parish Manager to evaluate the situation and if It's an emergency, he will go request a work order to have the problem corrected.
9. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Drainage Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Jamie Ponville  
Drainage Committee Chairman

Finance Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
4:40 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Patrick Johnson, Chairman; Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Myron Matherne. Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Jamie Ponville.
2. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the committee approve payment of bills submitted through May 20, 2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.
3. Chairman Patrick Johnson recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that the April 2022 budget comparison statements are included in the packets and there are a few overages. She stated that they will be amending budgets in July/August therefore, they will be addressed at that time.
4. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee approve and accept the Budget Comparison Statements for April 2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Patrick Johnson  
Finance Committee Chairman

Personnel Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
4:45 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Chris Carter, Chairman; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Myron Matherne.
2. Chairman Chris Carter recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that Debra Benoit, Administration Assistant/Accounting Clerk has successfully completed her probationary period and recommends that she be removed from probation and continue her training.
3. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the committee approve the recommendation of the Secretary-Treasurer for successful completion of probationary period for Debra Benoit, Administration Assistant/Accounting Clerk effective May 27, 2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Chairman Chris Carter requested that the committee enter into executive session pursuant to LA R.S. 42:17(A)(1) in order to discuss the potential processing of certain Parish projects with existing staff (and equipment) - such discussions shall include the Parish Manager, Assistant Parish Manager & General Foreman (all of whom have been formally notified, in accordance with the aforementioned revised statute).
5. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee enter into executive session to discuss the potential processing of certain Parish projects with existing staff (and equipment) - such discussions shall include the Parish Manager, Assistant Parish Manager & General Foreman (all of whom have been formally notified, in accordance with the aforementioned revised statute). The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee resume regular session." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. Chairman Chris Carter stated that the committee entered into executive session and no action was taken.
8. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve the recommendation of the Parish Manager for successful completion of probationary period for Paul Hebert, Equipment Operator III effective June 5, 2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.
9. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve adding the following matter to the agenda." The motion was unanimously adopted.
10. Chairman Chris Carter stated that Mrs. Cheri Williams turned down the job offer for the Flood Plain Manager/Permit Officer/Planner position. Therefore, the committee needs to consider offering the job to the one of the other candidates that was interviewed.
11. Chairman Chris Carter requested comments, questions or concerns regarding the request to offer the Flood Plain Manager/Permit/Planner position to another candidate. Following three (3) calls, there were not comments received.
12. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approved and acted to fill the position from a member of the pool of candidates (tabled on the advice of legal counsel / to be reconsidered by the Personnel Committee at the next available public meeting)." The motion was unanimously adopted.
13. Chairman Chris Carter requested comments, questions or concerns regarding the request to increase pay for the Assistant Parish Manager. Following three (3) calls, there were no comments received.
14. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve to increase pay for Brian Blankenship, Assistant Parish Manager, to a Grade 8, Step 21, \$25.70 per hour to be effective 6/3/2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.

15. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Personnel Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Chris Carter  
Personnel Committee Chairman

Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
5:15 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Chairman; Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Myron Matherne, Mr. Patrick Johnson. Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Jamie Ponville.
2. Chairman Jeff Naquin recognized committee member Patrick Johnson, who stated that Hurricane season is upon us and he would like each Department to discuss what plans they have in place, what worked and what didn't work last year. He stated that there were questions regarding sand bags, container, fuel tank (diesel, gasoline), who works the APCC and the scheduling, etc. The Parish Manager stated that regarding fuel, they have a 2,000 gallon fuel tank on order for gasoline and a diesel truck on hand. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that there is always a problem with getting fuel but we have an advantage because we own a fuel truck. He added that the nearest shell company is closing but there are places in Baton Rouge that we can obtain fuel from if they don't get hit. He stated that the diesel can be purchased early but it has bacteria issues and should be used quickly or before November. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that the people that he would be dealing with are the Department Supervisors. Committee member Leroy Blanchard asked if the new employees were abreast of their roll if a hurricane should occur. In response, the Parish Manager stated that it depends on what occurs, how severe, etc. There are many variables to consider when responding to this question accurately. In reply, the OHSEP Director stated that it's based on availability and what's required. He then stated that the Special Programs Director handles sheltering so she would be contacted. He then stated that she would then coordinate with the administrative staff and the support staff (R&B) to operate the facility. He further stated that the duties are delegated, he checks in with the responsible person and only intervenes if needed. In response, the Special Programs Director requested clarification regarding employees not showing up to work during an emergency. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that it has happened a few times during Gustave and Ida but according to the State plan all of the Parish employees are considered essential employees and are required to work the additional duties. He added that when new employees are hired, they are told at that time. He also stated that those that refuse to abide are written up as advised by the Police Jurors. Committee member Patrick Johnson requested that each employee be reminded that they are essential workers and are required to work all emergency events. Police Juror Jamie Ponville stated that he would like to have sand bags made and stored at the Ag Center. Committee member Patrick Johnson suggested that a cap of 10 bags be placed on the number that an individual receives. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that 10 bags is enough to block the door entrance during a high water/hurricane event. A brief discussion was then held regarding the storage capacity at the Ag Center. Following the discussion, the Parish manager stated that he will get with the Sheriff to see if they can get trustees to get sand bags fixed and stored at the Ag Center.
3. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Personnel Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Jeff Naquin, Chairman  
Emergency Preparedness Committee

Engineering/Grants Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
5:45 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Irving Comeaux, Chairman; Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Myron Matherne.
2. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized Jacob Loeske, GIS Engineering, who stated that they are still going through the models and the canals. Once they get the final run and have the results they will report at the next meeting.
3. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the OHSEP Director, who stated that four (4) companies submitted RFP's. He then stated that DRC was the highest scorer with 426 points and recommended that they be selected as the emergency debris contractor.
4. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve and accept DRC as the highest scorer for the Professional Emergency Debris Contractor." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the President to sign the contract documents with DRC as the Professional Emergency Debris Contractor, after the review from the ADA, for a three (3) year term and two (2) year extensions if needed." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the Parish Engineer to advertise for the Attakapas Landing Bulkhead & Restroom Improvement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the Parish Engineer, who stated that M-Trak LLC has started the punch list but the rain is holding up progress. He stated that the contractor is hoping to have the punch list completed in the next 2 weeks. In response, he stated that everything on the plan list has been addressed but there are some punch list items such as Robin St. that need attention. He then stated that granting substantial completion is giving the contractor a time frame to complete the punch list. He stated that he is withholding in excess of \$150,000 which is enough to take care of the remaining items. A brief discussion was held regarding the elevation of North Bay Rd. Committee member Leroy Blanchard requested that a copy of the punch list be sent to each juror to make sure all work is completed.
8. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve and grant Substantial Completion for M-Trak, LLC for the 2021 Road Improvement Program." The motion was unanimously adopted.
9. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the Grants Coordinator, who stated that the LGAP funding totals \$125,000 with \$25,000 being allocated to the Village of Napoleonville. He then stated that \$50,000 will be allocated for the Courthouse Bathroom Renovation Project. A brief discussion was held regarding the condition of the Courthouse stairwell (front and back). Following the discussion, the committee agreed to utilize the entire funding on Courthouse Renovations.
10. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the committee approve submitting the Courthouse Renovations (Bathroom, Stairwells) as projects for the LGAP application." The motion was unanimously adopted.
11. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee approve and adopt a resolution to apply for the LGAP funding." The motion was unanimously adopted.
12. The Grants Coordinator then stated that he spoke with the Waterworks Manager, who informed him that they would like to utilize the CWF for a Raw Water Treatment Plant. He stated that the cost of the project would be \$7 million and they will use their \$125,000 allocation towards the project.
13. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee approve and adopt a resolution to apply for the CWF funding." The motion was unanimously adopted.
14. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the OHSEP Director, who stated the CDBG Disaster Recovery Generator Project is almost complete. The electrical meter is being swapped over on tomorrow and there are two (2) generators left to be anchored. He then stated that this would

complete all of the Disaster Recovery grant items. He then stated that he is still waiting on an update regarding the Safe Room due to new employees with the State. The OHSEP Director stated that he has engaged with the State new employees regarding the Hazardous Mitigation Project and is trying to move it forward to phase II which is bidding of the project.

15. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Engineering/Grants Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Irving Comeaux, Chairman  
Engineering/Grants Committee

Regular Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
6:00 O'clock p.m.

1. The Regular Meeting of the Assumption Parish Police Jury was called to order by Police Jury President Patrick Johnson in the Assumption Parish Police Jury Chamber at 4813 Highway 1, Napoleonville, Louisiana.
2. Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Ward 1; Mr. Jeff Naquin, Ward 2; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Ward 3; Mr. Patrick Johnson, Ward 4; Mr. Michael Dias, Ward 5; Mr. Chris Carter, Ward 6; Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Ward 7; Mr. Jamie Ponville, Ward 8; Mr. Myron Matherne, Ward 9.
3. President Patrick Johnson led the Prayer and Police Juror Chris Carter led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
4. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the minutes of May 10, 2022 and May 11, 2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. President Patrick Johnson opened the meeting to the public for any public comments, questions or concerns regarding the items listed on the agenda. Following three (3) calls, there were no comments received.
6. President Patrick Johnson recognized Drainage Committee Chairman Jamie Ponville, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters: reappoint Ronnie Bailey and Shaye Toups to the Bayou L'Ourse Drainage District #1 for each a 5 yr. term, authorization of an Intergovernmental Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the Assumption Parish Police Jury and the Lafourche Basin Levee District - pursuant to drainage project(s) in Assumption Parish, and for ancillary matters - in particular: Bayou Napoleon and authorize the President to execute said Agreement, \$3,430 for South Loop Canal Sweeping Project, \$1,200 for Field of Dream Subdivision Outfalls Sweeping Project and to allow the Parish Manager to evaluate the situation relative to the use of the culvert cleaner on State Highways.
7. Police Juror Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Drainage Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
8. President Patrick Johnson stated that the Finance Committee met and recommended the following matters: payment of bills submitted through May 20, 2022 and accepted the Budget Comparison Statements for April 2022.
9. Police Juror Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Finance Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.
10. President Patrick Johnson recognized Personnel Committee Chairman Chris Carter, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters: recommendation of the Secretary-Treasurer for successful completion of probationary period for Debra Benoit, Administration Assistant/Accounting Clerk effective May 27, 2022, the committee entered into executive session pursuant to LA R.S. 42:17(A)(1) in order to discuss the potential processing of certain Parish projects with existing staff (and equipment) - such discussions shall include the Parish Manager, Assistant Parish Manager & General Foreman (all of whom have been formally notified, in accordance with the aforementioned revised statute). and no action was taken, recommendation of the Parish Manager for successful completion of probationary period for Paul Hebert, Equipment Operator III effective June 5, 2022, acted to fill the position from a member of the pool of candidates (tabled on the advice of legal counsel / to be reconsidered by the Personnel Committee at the next available public meeting) and an increase in pay for Brian Blankenship, Assistant Parish Manager, to a Grade 8, Step 21, \$25.70 per hour to be effective 6/3/2022.
11. Police Juror Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Personnel Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
12. President Patrick Johnson recognized the Emergency Preparedness Committee Chairman Jeff Naquin, who stated that the committee met and had a general discussion regarding hurricane readiness. He then stated that in specifics, the committee discussed the fuel tank for gasoline and diesel, sand bags, advising employees of being essential and their duties, etc.
13. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Emergency Preparedness Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.

14. President Patrick Johnson recognized Engineering/Grants Committee Chairman Irving Comeaux, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following: received an update from GIS Engineering regarding the Drainage Master Plan & Flood Mitigation Project, accepted DRC RFP scoring for the Professional Emergency Debris Contractor, authorized the President to sign the contract documents with DRC as the Professional Emergency Debris Contractor, after the review from the ADA, for a three (3) year term and two (2) year extension if needed, authorized the Parish Engineer to advertise for the Attakapas Landing Bulkhead & Restroom Improvement Project, grant Substantial Completion for M-Trak, LLC for the 2021 Road Improvement Program, submit the Courthouse Renovations (Bathroom, Stairwells) as projects for the LGAP application, adopted a resolution to apply for the LGAP funding, adopted a resolution to apply for the CWF funding and received an update on the Disaster Recovery Grants.
15. Police Juror Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Engineering/Grants Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
16. President Patrick Johnson recognized Sadie Phelps, Ag Teacher at AHS, who stated that they (AHS FFA Chapter) have utilized the Ag Center for the past 10 yrs. The event that's held generates funding for the organization to attend area, State and National events. She also stated that they host a special needs rodeo that's free to the community. She stated that the Police Jury has been very gracious through the years by not charging the chapter to utilize the facility. She then stated that they have incurred some charges over the years which they understand but stated that they have worked the grounds and the buildings throughout their events. She pointed out that they have seen the deterioration of the building due to low or no maintenance being done. Mrs. Phelps added that they have been cleaning and making repairs to the facility for the past few years. She stated that if she doesn't contact the maintenance department regarding the use, the facility won't be ready for their event because the Administrative Department doesn't communicate the information. She then stated that she and the producer did a walk through of the facility before the event and there were many safety concerns. She proceeded to list the concerns and explained all that she and her group had done to prepare the facility for their event. She added that the facility needs to be inspected yearly for termites and other insect damages. Mrs. Phelps stated that she received an extremely rude voice mail on her phone and a letter mailed to her that was personally attacking her and calling her a liar because she apparently turned in an incorrect amount of money for stall rentals. She further explained what she collected for stall rentals and how those funds were conflicting with what should have been collected. The amount required was thereafter submitted and she was told the stall rental of \$15 is in the contract that was signed. They also stated that due to audit purposes the correct amount must be collected but the contract also states that it's the final determination by the Police Jury's administration. She further stated that she's extremely grateful for the support of the Police Jury and she's not trying to get away with anything and she's not a liar and that's how the phone call and the letter made her feel. Mrs. Phelps then requested that the maintenance department not add any more sand to the arena. She continued to speak about the different repairs that she and her organization made, the tractor driver and the rental fee, the erosion on the outside of the arena, the shortage of electrical power, the retro fit, communication between renters, Jurors, Administration and maintenance. She gave a couple of examples of times when out of towners rented the facility and it was locked when they arrived, the soil wasn't turned and it was too packed to ride. She added that people in this community choose not to rent this facility because it's so hard to rent. She stated that this is a valuable facility and we want people to utilize it but if it continues to deteriorate, she won't be able to host the rodeo there anymore. There are producers and contractors that would like to utilize the facility more throughout the year but getting everything together is so difficult therefore, something needs to be done. She then extended she and her family to assist in any way they could. President Patrick Johnson thanked Mrs. Phelps for her overview of the facility and requested that she send a copy of the punch list items that needs addressing to the Assistant Parish Manager. Police Juror Jamie Ponville stated that he attended the rodeo and that it was very nice and he noticed some things that can be better. Police Juror Ron Alcorn made reference to the profit from this event and how the Parish benefits from the tax dollars. Police Juror Chris Carter stated that there was a breakdown in communication and maintenance should have been ready for the scheduled event. He then asked who is the responsible person to have the center ready for any event? The Secretary-Treasurer stated that it begins with the contract in the Administrative Office and the information is then sent to the Road & Bridge Office. Mr. Carter requested that a reminder be set so that this would not happen again. Mr. Eno Rivere, 1121 Hwy 402, stated that they utilize the facility and every year when they arrive there's no water for the wash racks. He added that there was a freeze about 15 yrs. ago and it has not operated properly since that time. A brief discussion was then held regarding the community worker being responsible for the maintenance of the Ag Center and the APCC Event Coordinator handling the booking for the Ag Center. Following the discussion, the Secretary-Treasurer informed the Jury that the Parish can accept credit cards but no one wants to pay the 3% fee. Christy Landry, 1126 Hwy 402, stated that she rented the small arena for a graduation party. She stated that she spoke with several different people and no one knew how much it would cost to rent the facility. She then reiterated what Juror Blanchard stated about having one person handled the booking. She added that it was a hassle to rent the facility and stated that the 4-H Director has mentioned that she would like the bookings to go through their office because they are there, they know the complex and can maintain the facility. A brief

discussion was held regarding the profits that are generated, the Parish being responsible for the maintenance and revising the contract. The Secretary-Treasurer apologized for the scheduling issues and stated that the matter will be worked on.

17. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury approve to adopt a resolution requesting that US Congress reject the recommendation to close the Alexandria Veterans Affairs Medical Center." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
18. On a motion by the Entire Police Jury, seconded by the Entire Police Jury, "THAT, we adopt a resolution recognizing Mrs. Jane Boudreaux for her service with Keep Assumption Beautiful." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
19. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the Police Jury approve an occupational license for Bayou Jazz 45 LLC." The motion was unanimously adopted.
20. President Patrick Johnson recognized Police Juror Myron Matherne, who stated that the Belle River area doesn't have cell service therefore he would like to send a letter to AT&T and the State requesting service. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard requested that Belle Rose be included in the request. He added that since the hurricane the service has been poor. A brief discussion was then held regarding who should receive the request. In response, the OHSEP Director recommended that the letter be sent to the Public Service Commission Office identifying both areas.
21. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury approve a letter to the Public Service Commission regarding cell phone service in the Belle River and Belle Rose area." The motion was unanimously adopted.
22. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the liquor license application for Tamika Coleman, Bayou Jazz 45 LLC." The motion was unanimously adopted.
23. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury approve adding the following matter to the agenda." The motion was unanimously adopted.
24. President Patrick Johnson recognized Police Juror Myron Matherne, who stated that he needs to rent a 6" pump for Oakridge Subdivision. He stated that it's \$2,100 monthly and he would need to rent for 3 months. Following a brief discussion, Police Jurors Ron Alcorn and Chris Carter agreed to allocate \$2,000 each to assist with the project.
25. President Patrick Johnson requested comments, questions or concerns regarding the rental of a 6" pump for Oakridge Subdivision. Following three (3) calls, there were no comments received.
26. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury approve \$6,300 for 3-month rental of a 6" pump for Oakridge Subdivision." The motion was unanimously adopted.
27. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Assumption Parish Police Jury, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Patrick Johnson  
President

On a motion by Mr. Jamie Ponville, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the re-appointment of Ronnie Bailey and Shaye Touns as board members of the Bayou L'Ourse Drainage District.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

On a motion by Mr. Chris Carter, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the filling of the Floodplain Manager/Permit Officer/Planning position from a member of the pool of candidates at a Grade 9, Step 6.5 at \$21.15 per hour. (\*Tabled on the advice of legal counsel/to be reconsidered by the Personnel Committee at the next available public meeting)

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: Leroy Blanchard, Jamie Ponville

On a motion by Mr. Chris Carter, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the end of the probationary period for Debra Benoit, Administrative Assistant/Accounting Clerk to be effective 5/27/2022.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

On a motion by Mr. Chris Carter, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the end of the probationary period for the following employee accordingly:

Paul Hebert    Equipment Operator III    to be effective 6/5/2022

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

On a motion by Mr. Chris Carter, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve an increase in pay for Brian Blankenship, Assistant Parish Manager to a Grade 8, Step 21, \$25.70 per hour to be effective 6/3/2022.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve a 3 yr. contract with a 2 year extension with DRC Emergency Services for Emergency Debris pickup and authorize President to sign.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas:	9
Nays:	0
Absent:	0

On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the Grants Coordinator to apply for the Community Water Enrichment funding in the upcoming cycle in the amount of \$125,000.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas:	9
Nays:	0
Absent:	0

On a motion by Mr. Jamie Ponville, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize its President, Patrick Johnson to sign the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Lafourche Basin Levee District Board of Commissioners for the purpose of the parish providing assistance in the processing of drainage projects, management/operation thereof, and control of the projects within the Levee District in Assumption Parish only.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the Grants Coordinator to submit an application for the next funding cycle for the Courthouse Renovations Project in the amount of \$100,000.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize substantial completion for M-Trak, LLC for the 2021 Road Improvement Program.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas:	9
Nays:	0
Absent:	0

On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, and seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the advertising for the Attakapas Landing Bulkhead & Restroom Reconstruction Project.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas:	9
Nays:	0
Absent:	0
Abstain:	0

On a motion by the Entire Police Jury, seconded by the Entire Police Jury, the following resolution was adopted as follows:

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby recognize Mrs. Jane Boudreaux for being instrumental in securing thousands of dollars for Keep Assumption Beautiful. She obtained grants to provide recycling receptacles for our Parish Schools, Boat launches and other public facilities. She voluntarily maintained the upkeep of the flower beds at the Assumption Community Center Pavillion, Veterans and Gilbert Dupaty Memorial Parks. Mrs. Boudreaux also researched the details and lead the household hazardous waste drop off event.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patrick Johnson, President of the Assumption Parish Police Jury, does hereby recognize Mrs. Jane Boudreaux for her hard work, dedication and contributions throughout her many years. And does hereby encourage all citizens to abide by the spirit of this resolution.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0:

On a motion by Police Juror Jeff Naquin, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, the following resolution was adopted at follows:

#### RESOLUTION

A resolution requesting the United States Congress reject the recommendation to close the Alexandria Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Pineville, Louisiana, as recommended by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs' report to the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Veterans Affairs Medical Center provides inpatient medical and surgical, inpatient mental health, community living centers, and outpatient services to veterans in the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Veterans Affairs Medical Center serves thousands of veterans a year, including a potential population of more than one hundred thousand veterans and an active patient roster of more than thirty-seven thousand veterans; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs recommends closing the Alexandria Veterans Affairs Medical Center facility and relocating services to community providers; and

WHEREAS, the closing of the Alexandria Veterans Affairs Medical Center will leave veterans with fewer care options; and

WHEREAS, Alexandria and Central Louisiana have a long history of support for the military and serve as an ideal location for veterans in surrounding communities to receive treatment; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Veterans Affairs Medical Center is a critical institution that should remain operable to better serve the veterans of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby request the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to reject the report recommendations by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and support the continued operation of the Alexandria Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America and to each member of the Louisiana Congressional Delegation.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9  
Nays: 0  
Absent:0