

Drainage Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
4:50 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Jamie Ponville, Chairman; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Chris Carter and Mr. Leroy Blanchard,  
Committee members recorded as absent were: Mr. Myron Matherne, Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Michael Dias.
2. Chairman Jamie Ponville recognized Jacob Loeske, GIS Engineering, who presented the committee with the packet that would be presented to the legislators in Washington D.C. He proceeded with a recap of the Special Meeting stating that the projects were prioritized and from there he revised and updated the cost associated with each one. He stated that the presentation starts with the history and stated why it was included in the packet. He went into why invest and perform a flood mitigation plan and summarized the purpose and need. He then spoke about the survey data and the local priority projects that has been funded using GOMESA funds. He proceeded with the listing of projects, the updated cost and request for each project. Mr. Loeske explained the regional projects and the protection they will provide. He then stated that the regional letters of support and resolutions indicates that everyone is collaborating and in agreement. He concluded by stating that Assumption Parish will be asking the Congressional Delegation to review and consider dedicating funding for the projects that have been presented. He also added that this packet has been sent to a Congresswoman Julia Letlow to review before the Parish arrives. A brief discussion was then held regarding the presentation.
3. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve \$560 for Heriard and Gilbert St. Culvert Replacement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Committee member Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve \$4,590 for Pump Platform Repair Project in Ward 3." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve and accept the allocation of \$2,1,00 from Wards 2 and 5 for pump rentals for Wards 8& 9." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "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, September 14, 2022  
4:55 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were Mr. Jeff Naquin, Vice Chairman; Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Chris Carter,.  
Committee members recorded as absent were: Mr. Myron Matherne, Mr. Patrick Johnson,  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were; Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Jamie Ponville.
2. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve payment of the bills submitted through September 8, 2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.
3. Committee member Rom Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve the OHSEP Director to attend the Annual Hazmat HotZone Conference in Houston, October 20-23, 2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Committee member Rom Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "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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Jeff Naquin, Vice Chairman  
Finance Committee

Personnel Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
5:00 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.  
Committee member recorded as absent was: Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Juror recorded as present was: Mr. Jeff Naquin.
2. Chairman Chris Carter requested that the committee enter into executive session to discuss the job performance of the Grants Coordinator. In response, the Grants Coordinator agreed to go into executive session
3. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the committee enter into executive session to discuss the job performance of the Grants Coordinator." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Committee member Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee resume regular session." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Chairman Chris Carter stated that the committee entered executive session to discuss the job performance of the Grants Coordinator. He stated that the committee specified what is expected of him and suggested that he reach out if he needs assistance.
6. Chairman Chris Carter recognized the Parish Manager, who stated that he did a survey with all his employees that this change would affect. He then stated that each of them expressed that they are not in favor of the change. Therefore, he recommends that the employees remain on a 4 day 10 hour work week.
7. The Parish Manager then recommended that the committee approve hiring the following individuals as equipment operator 1; Leroy Johnson, Jr. and Rodney Richard at a grade 5 step 12, \$15.71 and Russell Giroir, Jr general maintenance at a grade 4 step 20, \$16.54.
8. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the Parish Manager to hire two (2) equipment operator 1's, Leroy Johnson, Jr. and Rodney Richard at a grade 5 step 12, \$15.71 and a general maintenance employee Russell Giroir, Jr at a grade 4 step 20, \$16.54." The motion was unanimously adopted.
9. The Parish Manager then requested that he be authorized to transfer a R&B employee to the maintenance department with a salary increase from a grade 5 step 12 to a grade 4 step 20. \$16.54 starting the beginning of next pay period.
10. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the transfer of a R&B employee to the maintenance department with a salary increase from a grade 5 step 12 to a grade 4 step 20. \$16.54." The motion was unanimously adopted.
11. Chairman Chris Carter recognized committee member Ron Alcorn, who stated that the Parish is following Federal guidelines regarding RFQ's and he would like to recommend that the APPJ Governing Board administer all the evaluations. Committee member Jeff Naquin stated that he totally disagrees with the suggestion. He stated that politics would play too much of a role. Committee member Ron Alcorn further explained the reason for his suggestion. In response, the Secretary-Treasurer stated that after each evaluation, the Police Jury will need to meet due to a quorum. A brief discussion was then held regarding the suggestion.
12. Committee member Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve to leave the evaluation process as is." The motion ended in a tie. It will be furthered in Regular Meeting
13. Chairman Chris Carter recognized ADA Michael Calabro, who stated that during COVID 19 the Parish had extended leave for employees. He then stated that the Jury then decided that after January 1, 2022 it would be terminated. He stated that there were a few employees that had not used their time and the question was posed as to whether those hours can be used. He then stated that in his opinion, the Jury would have to amend the policy to leave as is or inform the employees that the leave is no longer available. The Jury must take action as a body and would have to make sure this process is allowable and affect every employee the same way. In response, Chairman Chris Carter stated that the Parish provided much assistance to the employees during the beginning of this pandemic and should realize that it is here to stay. He then stated that the vaccines are available to help therefore, if anyone should become sick with COVID, they must use the leave that they have earned. The ADA stated that he tried to draft the

opinion in either way but with public bodies as opposed to private work force, they feel it's time to get back to normal. He then requested that each employee be informed of the decision relative to COVID leave.

14. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the committee approve terminating the COVID 19 leave immediately." The motion was unanimously adopted.
15. Chairman Chris Carter recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that Work Connection sent a renewal contract for the Parish to sign. She stated that the ADA reviewed it and requested that one (1) sentence be edited. In response, the Housing Director informed the committee that he correction had not been made. The ADA then stated that he would want the change to be made because it is reciprocal in nature allowing both entities the authority to cancel or terminate the contract. IN response, the Secretary-Treasurer stated that the contract expires at the end of the month and the current worker employment would end at that time. The ADA requested that the current contract be extended for 1 month to allow him to work with agency.
16. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve extending the contract with Work Connection for 1 month to allow the ADA to work with the agency." The motion was unanimously adopted.
17. Police Juror Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "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

Insurance Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
5:20 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Chairman; Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Leroy Blanchard,.  
Committee member recorded as absent was: Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Chris Carter.
2. Chairman Ron Alcorn stated that the renewal for health insurance coverage is quickly approaching. He stated that insurance customers have been reaching out to see if the Parish would be opening the quotes to others or remain with the current agency. He then stated that he and the President as well as the Secretary-Treasurer has met with other companies and learned that there are other beneficial factors that can be offered under the health care system. He then stated that from the surveyed numbers he gathered 60% of the employees earn under \$40,000, 45 employees covered under the plan and 21 employees due to cost are not covered, He further stated that there are some agencies that wants to submit a proposal. Chairman Ron Alcorn added that one of the companies laid out some good points, tools and offerings that would meet the employee where they are. He then stated that if this would be the wishes of the Jury, now would be the time because it takes about 3-4 months for the provider to get the claim information needed to submit a quote. A brief discussion was then held regarding the suggestion to accept proposals. The Secretary-Treasurer reiterated the different structure of one company but stated that the present provider is preparing to present that same structure. Committee member Jamie Ponville agreed with the suggestion and stated that the Jury should be shopping the market for all insurances.
3. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Diaz, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to advertise and accept proposals for health care coverage." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Insurance Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Ron Alcorn  
Insurance Committee Chairman

Recreation Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
5:30 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Chris Carter, Chairman; Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Leroy Blanchard.  
Committee members recorded as absent were: Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Jamie Pomville.
2. Chairman Chris Carter recognized committee member Ron Alcorn, who stated that relative to items 1-4, he and the Grants Coordinator met with representatives of DOTD, Gametime Equipment, Land & Water Conservation and Recreation Trails Program regarding grants for Ward 1 Recreation Park (Gilbert Dupaty Park). He then requested authorization for the Grants Coordinator to apply for these grants for improvements (infrastructure) to the park.
3. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Irving Comeaux, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the Grants Coordinator to apply for the Transportation Alternatives Program grant application through DOTD, Gametime Equipment Playground grant, Land and Water Conservation Fund grant and the Recreational Trails Program for Louisiana grant for Ward 1 Recreation District-Gilbert Dupaty Park." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Recreation 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, Chairman  
Recreation Committee

Solid Waste Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
5:35 O clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Chairman; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Chris Carter.  
Committee members recorded as absent were: Mr. Myron Matherne, Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Jamie Ponville.
2. Chairman Jeff Naquin recognized committee member Chris Carter, who stated that the trash at 6034 Suga St. has been there for 2 months. He stated that the contractor is not picking it up due to it being debris from a torn down trailer. He then stated that it was demolished by the owner not a contractor.. Chairman Jeff Naquin requested that the matter be placed back on the agenda for the next meeting when the contractor will be present.
3. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Irving Comeaux, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Solid Waste 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  
Solid Waste Committee

Engineering/Grants Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
5:50 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.  
Committee member recorded as absent was: Mr. Patrick Johnson.  
Other Police Juror recorded as present was: Mr. Chris Carter.
2. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the Permit Manager, who stated that a request was received for a proposed trailer park and fence variance at 163, 165, and 165A Georgette St. In response, he stated that he believes the back of the park is a wooded area but will go out to confirm. In response, he stated that the owner chooses to have three (3) water meters and have three (3) different garbage cans.
3. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve the proposed trailer park and fence variance at 163, 165, and 165A Georgette St. subject to the back area being wooded or a cane field." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. The Permit Manager then requested preliminary approval for the trailer park at 163, 165, and 165A Georgette St.
5. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee grant preliminary approval for the trailer park at 163, 165, and 165A Georgette St." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the Parish Engineer, who stated that regarding Lee Drive Project, he stated that he is still waiting on the approval from the Governor's Office Division of Administration on the engineering contracts that were submitted. He stated that once they received the approval the Governor will then request that they submit their plans which are ready for submittal. Committee member Jamie Ponville requested that the Parish Engineer or the Grants Coordinator send an email to Mr. James Lee requesting the status.
7. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the Parish Engineer, who stated that the ring levee in upper Pierre Part was placed out for Public Notice by the Department of Natural Resources on September 2, 2022 and still under the 30-day notice. He then stated that once that is complete, he will receive any comments that were received. If there were no objections, they will issue a draft permit notice with whatever stipulation the Corp of Engineers or DNR deem necessary for the permit. There will be a 5-day period to accept the stipulations and it will become a permanent permit or voice any objections to the stipulations and the process proceed from there. In response to not having a decision within the 5-day period, the Parish Engineer stated that an extension can be requested.
8. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "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

Regular Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
6:00 O'clock p.m.

1. The Regular Meeting of the Assumption Parish Police Jury was called to order by Police Jury Vice President Jeff Naquin in the Assumption Parish Police Jury Chamber located 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. Michael Dias, Ward 5; Mr. Chris Carter, Ward 6; Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Ward 7; Mr. Jamie Ponville, Ward 8.  
Police Jurors recorded as absent were: Mr. Patrick Johnson, Ward 4; Mr. Myron Matherne, Ward 9.
3. Vice President Jeff Naquin led the Prayer and Police Juror Chris Carter led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
4. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized the Parish Assessor, Wayne Blanchard, who started by thanking the Parish Manager and his Department for correcting the sewer problem in the Courthouse. He then stated that his office received no complaints or appeals. He stated that there is an increase in taxable value of \$4,630,000. He stated there is an increase in residential improvement in real estate inventory and merchandise. He also stated that there was an increase in Water Craft in the Amelia area, a small increase in Oil and Gas wells and public service. Therefore, the taxable value for 2022 is \$204,861,000 and we should collect \$25,673,534. The Police Jury collected \$883,000 last year and should will be receiving about \$903,000. The send out approximately 12,700 tax notices, 6,120 receive homestead exemption and 12,958 are taxpayers. He proceeded to give the amount collected by each ward: Ward 1-\$1,349,500, Ward 2-\$1,200,000, Ward 3-\$6,310,000, Ward 4-\$606,060, Ward 5-\$1,273,662, Ward 6-\$814,600, Ward 7-\$6,000,000. Ward 8-\$1,752,000 and Ward 9-\$1,912,000. He stated that Ward 3 pays the most taxes in the Parish. He then thanked the Police Jury and requested that he be contacted if anything his office can provide. He thanked his Chief Deputy for keeping their continuing education abreast (100% certified employees).
5. Police Juror Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve and rule in favor of the Assumption Parish Assessor's Office for the 2022 tax roll." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
6. Police Juror Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the minutes of August 24, 2022." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. Vice President Jeff Naquin opened the meeting to the public to receive comments questions or concerns regarding matters on the agenda. Following three (3) calls, there were no comments received.
8. Vice President recognized Drainage Committee Chairman Jamie Ponville, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters; received an update from GIS Engineering relative to the Drainage Master Plan & Flood Mitigation, \$560 for Heriard and Gilbert St. Culvert Replacement Project, \$4,590 for Pump Platform Repair Project in Ward 3 and accept the allocation of \$2,1,00 from Wards 2 and 5 for pump rentals for Wards 8 & 9.
9. Police Juror Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Drainage Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.
10. Vice President Jeff Naquin stated that the Finance Committee met and recommended the following matters; payment of bills submitted through September 8, 2022 and authorized the OHSEP Director to attend the annual Hazmat HotZone Conference in Houston, October 20-23, 2022.
11. Police Juror Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Finance Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.
12. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Personnel Committee Chairman Chris Carter, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters; the committee informed the Grants Coordinator of their expectation and advised him to request assistance when needed, the Parish Manager recommends that the R&B employees remain on a 4 day 10 hour work week, authorized the Parish Manager to hire two (2) equipment operator 1's, Leroy Johnson, Jr. and Rodney Richard at a grade 5 step 12, \$15.71 and a general maintenance employee Russell Giroir, Jr at a grade 4 step 20, \$16.54, authorized the transfer of a R&B employee to the maintenance department with a salary increase from a grade 5 step 12 to a grade 4 step 20.

\$16.54, revise on the amendment to Section 10:6 sub-section 11 (1), terminating the COVID 19 leave immediately and utilize earned leave, and extend the contract with Work Connection for 1 month to allow the ADA to work with the agency.

13. Police Juror Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Personnel Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
14. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury table the request to amend Section 10:6 Sub-Section 11 (1) Internal Controls Policy relative to engineering evaluation process." The motion was unanimously adopted.
15. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Insurance Committee Chairman Ron Alcorn, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matter; the Secretary-Treasurer to advertise for three (3) weeks and accept proposals for health care coverage.
16. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Insurance Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.
17. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Recreation Committee Chairman Chris Carter, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matter; authorized the Grants Coordinator to apply for the Transportation Alternatives Program grant application through DOTD, Gametime Equipment Playground grant, Land and Water Conservation Fund grant and the Recreational Trails Program for Louisiana grant for Ward 1 Recreation District-Gilbert Dupaty Park.
18. Police Juror Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mt. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Recreation Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
19. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Engineering/Grants Committee Chairman Irving Comeaux, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following; the proposed trailer park and fence variance at 163, 165, and 165A Georgette St. subject to the back area being wooded or a cane field, preliminary approval for the trailer park at 163, 165, and 165A Georgette St. received an update on Lee Dr. Project and the ring levee in upper Pierre Part.
20. Police Juror Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Engineering/Grants Committee as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.
21. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Chris Delpit, candidate for District 2 Senate, who briefly gave a history of himself and stated that he is pro-choice, and religious. He proceeded to list his goals, criminal reform, mental illness, veterans and pro-police. He stated that he knows he can't fix everything but his motto is sorry doesn't fix anything, preventing does. Vice President Jeff Naquin thanked Mr. Delpit on behalf of the Police Jury.
22. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Margo Castro, 4-H Agent, who also introduced her staff. She stated that 4-H is back with no COVID restrictions and briefly gave a summary of what's been taking place with campers. She gave the statistics of why kids should be involved in 4-H and stated the AG Day is returning this year. She also stated that their shooting program has grown and the girls are really dominating the program. She further stated that if there is anything she can assist with don't hesitate to contact her and thanked the Jury for their continued support. She then recognized Mariah Simoneaux, Horticulture Agent, who stated that her duties includes homeowner calls and visits for problems with trees, lawns, vegetable gardens, soil samples, etc. She stated that several events (garden contest, tree planting, workshops, etc.) take place in the parish yearly. She explained the process for handling soil samplings. Ms. Simoneaux then stated that if there are any questions please feel free to contact her. In response to assisting with the maintenance of the landscaping in the Parish Parks, Ms. Castro stated that she would be very interested in assisting with the maintenance of the landscaping and stated that she would set up a meeting with the Secretary-Treasurer to discuss what can be done by their Department. Ms. Castro then recognized Ms. Rene Castro, who gave a brief update on the Sugar Cane and Soy Bean industry in the parish. She stated that she works with the Farmers, the Department of Agricultural, Farm Bureau, American Sugar Cane League, etc. to do research and extend the information to the Farmers to help improve their crops. She also extended her assistance if ever need by the Jury. Ms. Maria Gonzales, Healthy Community Agent, who stated that she works under two federal programs, SNAP Ed and CDC High Obesity Programs. She stated that Wendy Naquin provides nutrient education to all the schools, libraries and Council on Aging in the Parish and looking to expand. She proceeded to explain what the CDC looks at when identifying the Parishes and the qualifications. She continued with a brief summary of Food System and Physical Activity Policy System and Environmental Changes. She then stated that in 2 ½ years she has been about to secure \$93,889.32 in grant funding for projects in Assumption Parish. She further stated that on October 6, 2022 LSU Ag Center has partnered with DOTD and the National

Atchafalaya Heritage Association to host a workshop for Jurors to meet and speak with all program managers to discuss and start a program application. She added that an elected official, Mr. Ledet or herself can be placed on the Coalition team. She then thanked the Jury for all their continued support. Vice President Jeff Naquin and Leonard Ledet volunteered to participate on the team for Assumption Parish. The Secretary-Treasurer then stated that there have been issues with maintenance and suggested that if the Ag Center is willing to hire their own maintenance employee, the budget can definitely support it. In response, Ms. Margo Castro stated that she is open to whatever the Jury is willing to support. She stated that if she needs to draft a proposal or job description of what's needed, she would. In response, the Secretary-Treasurer stated that the person would be a Police Jury employee but solely work the Ag Center unless needed for a particular purpose by the Jury.

23. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve a Can Shake permit for the Knights of Peter Claver and the American Legion Auxiliary Labadieville Unit 284." The motion was unanimously adopted.
24. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Pat Gordon, Planning Director at South Central Planning, who gave a brief update on what they have been contracted to do with St. James Parish regarding solar panel farm development. He stated that they have instituted a 4 month moratorium and they are working on regulations and a report. He added that this is taking place all over Louisiana and other parishes are experiencing the same issues. He further stated that SCP is offering their service if Assumption Parish is interested in pursuing because if a permit is applied for and there is nothing in place, there is not much the Governing body can do to reject. In response, he stated that the contract cost for St. James is \$5,000. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard stated that the Parish don't have planning and zoning therefore, the Jury needs some information so we can make a decision on how we need to revise our land ordinance. He stated that St. James ordinance has a moratorium in place that expires March 31, 2023. He then suggested that the Jury consider an ordinance putting a moratorium in place until we can get further information from South Central Planning relative to a recommendation to our current ordinance for land development. In response, Mr. Gordon stated that they can put something together in 4 months and depending on the public hearings that need to be held it could be a little longer. He stated that they can submit a contract and a scope of service at the next meeting.
25. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve to draft an ordinance relative to solar panel fields." The motion was unanimously adopted.
26. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the Police Jury approve an occupational license for Sharpshooters Gentlemen's Grooming LLC, GRM Carpentry & Remodeling, Lolo's Craft N Design and Sunshine Catering Private Chef LLC." The motion was unanimously adopted.
27. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Police Juror Ron Alcorn, who stated that the Parish was rewarded with funds to repair public buildings and parks due to Hurricane Ida. He then requested an update. In response, the Assistant Parish Manager stated that the Sheriff Detective Building has been completed with a few findings to be handled in the interior and the final walk through will be scheduled. He then stated that the DMV awning has been put out for bid with a deadline of September 16, 2022. He stated that no quotes have been received as of today. The Assistant Parish Manager then stated that he received quotes for the three (3) areas requiring fence repairs but 1 bidder didn't follow the job scope therefore, the project needs to be re-bided. In response, he explained that in accordance with the State, three (3) bids are needed. He stated that he received only two (2) bids for the repairs to the Courthouse roof. He then stated that Cajun Soft Wash is coming in this weekend to wash the buildings. He also explained that product prices have increased and some of the contractors don't meet the requirements and others are busy. He gave a brief update on the aged sewer system in the Courthouse and stated that it's the piping/plumbing that's causing the issues. The Secretary-Treasurer asked if the sewer system could be added to the capital outlay application for the R&B Office? The Parish Manager stated that they would need to get engineering on the building. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard requested that the Grants Coordinator seek a grant for the Courthouse through the National Historic funding,
28. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the derelict structure located at 224 Daggs St in Belle Rose." The motion was unanimously adopted.
29. Vice President Jeff Naquin recognized Police Juror Jamie Ponville, who stated that after listening to what the Assessor stated relative to what the residents of Assumption Parish pays in taxes, he thinks it would be fair for residents that reside along the State Highway to get their trees trimmed if needed, the ditches dug, et\c by the Parish to protect their investment. He added that those residents are not reaping the same benefits of those residents that resides along a Parish Street. In response, Police Juror Leroy Blanchard suggested that a letter be drafted to DOTD requesting that the Parish be reimbursed for any work that is done on State Highways. He added that the State have funding for this work but there is a shortage in man power. A discussion was then held regarding the trees that are hanging over the road and the stagnated water in the ditches. The also discussed that St. James Parish is doing contract work with the State and being

reimbursed. Following the discussion, the Jury authorized the Parish Manager to get information from St. James regarding their contract with DOTD.

30. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, 'THAT, the Police Jury approve a liquor license for Pierre Part Volunteer Fire Department and Kaylynn Leonard, DBA as a Cancer Benefit.' The motion was unanimously adopted.

31. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "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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Jeff Naquin  
Vice President

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

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assumption Parish Police Jury approves a 1 month extension (while future contract negotiations take place) under the existing contract for the Work Experience Program Agreement with the Business & Career Solutions Center, Work Connection, Inc. to provide for the continued employment of staff with the Assumption Parish Police as needed.

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

Yeas: 7  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson, Myron Matherne



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 grant a variance for the rear fence requirement only for the proposed trailer part to be located at 163, 165 and 165A Georgette Street, Labadieville, due to the surroundings being wooded;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby grant preliminary approval only of the location of said trailer park subject to final inspection.

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

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: Patrick Johnson, Myron Matherne

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, sitting as "Board of Review", does hereby rule in favor of the Assumption Parish Assessor's Office for the 2022 tax roll and state that no formal complaints were received.

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

Yeas:	7
Nays:	0
Absent:	Patrick Johnson, Myron Matherne
Abstain/Recuse:	0

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the seeking of proposals for the upcoming Health Insurance Renewal.

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

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: Patrick Johnson, Myron Matherne

On a motion by Mr. Chris Carter, 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 Grants Coordinator to apply for the following grants for the Ward 1 Recreation District – Gilbert Dupaty Park:

- Transportation Alternatives Program Grant through DOTD
- GameTime Equipment Playground Grant
- Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant
- Recreational Trails Program for Louisiana Grant

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

Yeas: 7  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson, Myron Matherne

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the hiring of the following:

	Leroy Johnson, Jr. Equipment Operator I Grade 5 Step 12	Rodney Richard Equipment Operator I Grade 5 Step 12	Russell Giroir Gen. Maint. Worker Grade 4	
Step 20	\$15.71/hr.	\$15.71/hr.	\$16.54	

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

Yeas: 7  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson, Myron Matherne

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the transfer of Mr. Aaron Landry, R&B Equipment Operator I to Gen. Maintenance Worker, Gr. 4 Step 20, \$16.54/hr. to be effective September 23, 2022.

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

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: Patrick Johnson, Myron Matherne