

**AVOYELLES PARISH POLICE JURY**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
*Tuesday, September 8, 2020*

The Police Jury of the Parish of Avoyelles, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session, in the Meeting Room of the Parish Courthouse, on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.

There were present: Mark Borrel, Kirby Roy, John Earles, Bobby Bordelon, and Jacob Coco

Also present were: Kevin Bordelon, Civil Works Director; Ron Bordelon, Parish Engineer; Jonathan Gaspard, Assistant District Attorney; Laura Gaspard, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer; Joseph Frank, Director of Homeland Security; and Brian St. Romain, Maintenance/Inmate Supervisor

Absent were: Charles Jones, McKinley Keller and Elzie Bryant

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America followed by and opening prayer, led by Kirby Roy.

Roll call by Secretary-Treasurer.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Bobby Bordelon, to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 11, 2020 as printed in the "Weekly News" and mailed to all Jurors. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Glenn McKinley, seconded by John Earles to adopt the minutes of the Avoyelles Commission of Tourism, held on August 31, 2020, as presented.

Employee of the Quarter award presented to Brian St. Romain by Joseph Frank

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Bobby Bordelon to accept the Secretary-Treasurers financial report offered at Committee Meetings. This included available cash balances and budget to actual comparisons.

No appeals filed for Property Tax to be reviewed.

On motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by John Earles, authorizing the purchase of a lawn mower, not to exceed \$15,000, Health Unit will pay 1/2. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Glenn McKinley, the Police Jury has conducted and hereby accepts the canvass of the election returns On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Jacob Coco, upon recommendation by the Ft. De Russy Cemetery Board to call a public hearing on October 13, 2020 at 4:45 p.m. to hear any and all objection to placing a gate on Ft. De Russy Cemetery Road, Friday at 4:00- Monday at 8:00 a.m. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Bobby Bordelon approving the estimate to remove asbestos from the Mansura office, estimated cost of \$7,100.00 On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Jacob Coco, authorizing the renewal of the Xerox lease for Registrar of Voters. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Glenn McKinley, seconded by Mark Borrel, authorizing Jonathan Gaspard to send a certified letter to a resident of Large Road allowing fifteen (15) days to clean property or legal action will follow. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Jacob Coco to adopt the following resolution:

On vote,

RESOLUTION

BY

AVOYELLES PARISH POLICE JURY

WHEREAS, the first (1<sup>st</sup>) and second (2<sup>nd</sup>) phases of the Water Main Replacement Along J.B. Luke Road have already been completed through previous Intergovernmental Agreements between the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury and Southwest Avoyelles Water District; and,

WHEREAS, the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury wishes to enter into a Intergovernmental Agreement with the Southwest Avoyelles Water District for the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) phase of the Water Main Replacement Along J.B. Luke Road (hereinafter referred to as "Phase 3") to provide improved potable water service to residents served by the District; and,

WHEREAS, the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury will provide financing for Phase 3 through its FY 19/20 Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) Grant in the amount of \$25,606.00; and,

WHEREAS, the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury will not contribute any funds to Phase 3 in excess of the CWEF Grant amount.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President, is hereby authorized to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Southwest Avoyelles Water District for Phase 3; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Southwest Avoyelles Water District will reimburse the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury, upon receipt of invoice, for all costs exceeding \$25,606.00 and necessary for the implementation of Phase 3.

Passed, approved and adopted by the President and Police Jury of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

the motion carried.

On motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by Jacob Coco, to read and accept the memoriam of Dr. Jim Guillory. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Mark Borrel, to read and accept the memoriam of Mr. Pete Riche. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Bobby Bordelon, to read and accept the memoriam of Mr. Sylvester Callihan. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Bobby Bordelon, appointing Ms. Sheila Callihan, to the unexpired term as Ward 7 Constable, replacing the late Sylvester Callihan. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, second by Mark Borrel, the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury hereby calls for a Special Election for District 9, Ward 7 Constable. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Mark Borrel, to adopt a resolution calling for a State of Emergency seeking authority and funding to mobilize manpower and equipment in the Atchafalaya Basin to remove an obstruction. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by John Earles, to appoint Jacob Coco to the Gravity Drainage Board No.1, for a term of four (4) years, replacing Dr. Henry Moreau. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by John Earles, to re-appoint Tommy Laborde, Stanley Bordelon, Steven Voiselle and Robert Thevis to the Gravity Drainage Board No.1, for a term of four (4) years. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Glenn McKinley, seconded by Mark Borrel, authorizing the Council on Aging to submit an application for 5311 grant. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by Jacob Coco, approving Moreaus Material Yard invoice for aggregate. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Mark Borrel, appointing Gerard Moreau to the Library Board replacing the late Pete Riche. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Bobby Bordelon, authorizing the Permit Office to reimburse those charged a reconnect fee associated with Hurricane Laura. On vote, the motion carried.

With unanimous consent, on motion by John Earles, seconded by Jacob Coco to add Employment Opportunity to the agenda for discussion. Upon recommendation by Kevin Bordelon, the Jury will advertise a Receptionist position sat the Barn in Mansura.

On motion by Glenn McKinley, seconded John Earles, to advertise a Receptionist position at the Barn in Mansura. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Glenn McKinley, seconded by John Earles, the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury does hereby grant authority to the Secretary-Treasurer to pay all bills and to waive a reading of the whole. Motion carried.

There being no further business, on motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by John Earles, the meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

s/Kirby Roy  
President

s/Jamey M. Wiley  
Secretary-Treasurer

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