

AVOYELLES PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR SESSION, held at the LSU Ag Center
Tuesday, August 9, 2022

The Police Jury of the Parish of Avoyelles, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session, at the LSU Ag Center in Mansura, La, on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

There were present: Mark Borrel, Bobby Bordelon, Jacob Coco, John Earles, Kirby Roy Charles Jones, Glenn McKinley, McKinley Keller, Amy Guidry-Acadian Ambulance, Rayford Laborde- Avoyelles Parish Planning Commission & President of the Spring Bayou Laker Commission, Jonathan Gaspard- Assistant District Attorney, Laura Gaspard- Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Joseph Frank- Director, Charles Riddle- District Attorney, Francis Keller, Ronald Coco, Twyla Lemoine, Jenny Falls, Phillip Bartel, Cliff LaCour, Derrick Earles, John Earles, Jr., Artha Hale, Al Mahfouz, Jacob Guillory- Engineer Pan American, Lakin Gaspard, Anthony Desselle, and Henry Thompson

Absent were Darrell Wiley

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by McKinley Keller

Prayer by Charles Jones

Roll call by Secretary-Treasurer. Quorum present

On motion by seconded by, to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 12, 2022, printed in the "Weekly News", and mailed to all Jurors. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by seconded by to accept the minutes of the Tourist Commission Meeting held on July 25, 2022, as presented. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Charles Jones, seconded by, to accept the financial report offered by the Secretary-Treasurer which displayed budget/actual. On vote, the motion carried.

Delegates:

Francis Keller requested to transport waste tire to a processing facility. There was back and forth conversations as to the legality of allowing something of value to be given. District Attorney Charles Riddle advised the board, the tires could be let for bids, setting a minimum bid, and specifics on the locations for the tires to be retrieved for transportation. Mr. Keller also told the board he is licensed through DEQ as a Transporter of Waste Tires.

On motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by Charles Jones, to add to the agenda to discuss Waste Tires. On vote, the motion carried.

A motion to amend the earlier motion made by Jurors Bobby Bordelon was offered by Charles Jones, then retracted the motion failed on the floor.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Bobby to award to the low bidder Road/Bridge and Fuels bids. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by Jacob Coco, authorizing the Council on Aging to apply for the 5311 Grant. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Charles Jones, seconded by John Earles, to advertise a public hearing on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at 4:45 p.m. to hear any objection to the reapportionment plan. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by John Earles, to table the motion to enter a maintenance contract with Otis Elevator. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Charles Jones, seconded by Mark Borrel, to adopt an Ordinance for Utility Right-Of-Way. On vote, the motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Rights-of-way; telecommunication installations, including utilities, telephone hardware and fiber-optic lines

A The Avoyelles Parish Permit Office may issue a parish permit for utilities and fiber optic cable after which the following conditions/procedures are followed by any government entity, contractor, sub-contractor, or any commercial enterprise.

B. The project must be presented to the Parish Planning commission and the Parish Director of Civil Works

C Applicant must submit the following documentation

CI 1. Permit application for fiber optic cable/utilities installations

CII 2. Certificate of insurance (Must name the parish as added insured for general liability in the minimum amount of \$3,000,000) (by Contractor and applicant) the location of each installation must be indicated on each certificate

CIII 3. Detail plans: With description of proposed cable location above and below ground (note: for below cable, use detectable metallic warning tape. Above ground(aerial) cable to be installed at a minimum of vertical height of 15 feet above the highest point in the right-a- way. Identify all utility poles) a current infrastructure map showing the applicant's proposed exiting aerial and underground fiber optic lines in the parish will be included.

CIV 4. Indemnification/Hold Harmless Agreement from the Contractor

CV 5. Contractor will provide copy or documentation of Louisiana State contractor's license.

CVI 6. After approval of the planning commission and the enforcement of the Parish Director of Civil Engineering the plans will be submitted to the Permit office for the issue of the project permit.

7. Bonds: Any applicant may be called upon to post an indemnity bond and/or a performance bond in favor of the parish in connection with the project operations. Bonds required by this article must be approved by the police jury prior to issuance of a permit. An applicant may be required to submit a surety bond written by a corporate bonding company authorized to do business in the state of Louisiana by the department of insurance, in a penal amount determined by the Police Jury Civil Works Director. Said bond shall indemnify

the parish, its agents, officers, servants and employees and the police jury against all loss, injury and damage of any nature whatsoever arising out of execution of the limits of this permit.

B. PERMIT FEE

Permit fee will be 1% of project cost/contractor bid (Cost data submitted with plan). Additional fees may be added based on expenses incurred as result of parish civil engineer project review, evaluation, and approval.

C. PRIOR TO START OF CONSTRUCTION THE CONTRACTOR SHALL

Notify at least 24 hours prior to construction the Civil Works Director and law enforcement for traffic control

D. DURING CONSTRUCTION THE CONTRACTOR SHALL

Keep construction site clean and in a safe condition for vehicle and other type traffic. Advise Parish Civil Works Director of project progress as per outline provided in plan.

E. AFTER CONSTRUCTION THE CONTRACTOR SHALL

Notify the director of civil engineering of project completion and arrange for final inspection

F. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

At least 48 hours prior to the commencement of any underground construction work; the contractor shall deliver to every affected property owner a notice of commencement of the project construction work.

Note 1. Avoyelles Parish Police Jury Permit Committee has the authority to waive all or part the permit fees.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by, adopt a resolution to obligate itself to pay for all related non-construction fees; including topographical surveys, geotechnical investigations, engineering services, observation of construction, etc. utilizing local funds when and if the LCDBG Grant Application is awarded. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by, to appoint Marcel Gaillard to the Avoyelles Water Works District 1 Board, replacing the late, Peter Mayeux. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by, seconded to adopt a resolution of Substantial Completion for Solid Waste Yard Improvements with the understanding that the final payment will be made upon satisfactory completion of any Punch List Items and presentation of the Clear Lien Certificate as required by law; and hereby the signing and filing with the Clerk of Court of the Resolution of Contract Acceptance by the President is authorized. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by, adopt a resolution of Substantial Completion for Courthouse Elevator Modernization with the understanding that the final payment will be made upon satisfactory completion of any Punch List Items and presentation of the Clear Lien Certificate as required by law; and hereby the signing and filing with the Clerk of Court of the Resolution of Contract Acceptance by the President is authorized. On vote, the motion carried. Upon recommendation by the Planning Commission, on motion by, seconded by, to accept a plat for Luna. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by Bobby Bordelon, authorizing Pan American Engineers to begin the Design Phase of Roadway Improvements, Phase VI. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Charles Jones, seconded by John Earles, authorizing a Waster Sector Application be submitted for Tricia Park sludge removal. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Bobby Bordelon, seconded by, Jacob Coco to appoint Marcel Gaillard to the Avoyelles Water Works District 1 Board. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Bobby Bordelon, to appoint Dawn Gremillion on the Library Board, replacing Mary Moreau.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by John Earles, to adopt a resolution certifying that Avoyelles will continue to comply with all NBIS/FHWA/DOTD requirements regarding Off-System Bridge for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

On motion by McKinley Keller, seconded by John Earles, to accept a resolution of Substantial Completion for Solid Waste Yard Improvements. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Glenn McKinley, to accept a resolution of Substantial Completion for the Elevator Modernization. On vote, the motion carried.

Upon recommendation from the Planning Commission to accept the plat for Luna. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Charles Jones, seconded by John Earles, to authorize Pan American to proceed with the Design Phase of Roadway Improvements, Phase VI. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Bobby Bordelon, to appoint Dawn Gremillion to the Library Board, replacing Mary Moreau. On vote, the motion carried.

With unanimous consent, and no objection from the audience, on motion by Charles Jones, seconded by Mark Borrel to discuss Sidewalk Projects downtown. On vote, the motion to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement failed.

On motion by John Earles, seconded by McKinley Keller, to convene in Executive Session. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Glenn McKinley, to convene to Regular Session. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Bobby Bordelon authorizing the District Attorney to file an answer on behalf of the Police Jury in the State Suit regarding Bayou Des Sot. On vote, the motion carried.

On motion by Charles Jones, seconded by Bobby Bordelon, to hire the Auzenne Law Office to represent the parish in the suit “Vincent Simmons v. Avoyelles Parish Police Jury”.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Glenn McKinley, to grant authority to the Secretary-Treasurer to pay bills and waive a reading of the whole. On vote, the motion carried.

There being no further business, on motion by John Earles, seconded by Glenn McKinley, the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

s/Kirby Roy
President

s/Jamey M.Wiley
Secretary-Treasurer

