

The Police Jury of the Parish of Avoyelles Parish, State of Louisiana, met for a Regular Meeting at its meeting place on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, in the Police Jury Room of the Parish Courthouse, 312 North Main Street, Marksville.

There were present: Mark Borrel, Jacob Coco, Clyde Benson, Travis Franks, Allen Thomas, Sam Pearce, Darrell Wiley, Craig Foster, Marcus Guillory, Ronald Coco, Derrick Ward, Amy Guidry, Terry Laborde, Kevin Bordelon, Maria Trichell, Chad Guillot, Dr. Jenny Falls, Spencer Gauthier, Wesley Elmer and Rhett Desselle

Absent: Ingrid Wilson

The meeting opened with prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Allen Thomas, to accept the amended minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 11, 2026, as printed in the Weekly News and emailed/mailed to all Jurors. Motion carried.

On motion by Allen Thomas, seconded by Craig Foster, to accept the minutes of the Tourist Commission meeting held on August 24, 2026. Motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Sam Pearce, to accept the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held on August 26, 2026, as presented. Motion carried.

Wesley Elmer, Candidate for Division B, Judge.

Amy Guidry, Director of Operations for Acadian Ambulance, provided an update regarding emergency and non-emergency services provided to Avoyelles Parish.

Gabriel Perales with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) provided an update on his continued efforts to assist flood victims throughout the Parish.

On motion by Sam Pearce, seconded by Allen Thomas, to accept the recommendation from Property Standard Committee to declare the following properties condemned: 2628 Hwy 1187, Mansura, 286 Bordelon Road Hessmer, 590 Hwy 1188, Hessmer. Motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Craig Foster, to accept the condemnation reports submitted by Delta Engineering for the following: 5723 Hwy 451, Moreauville, 4012 Hwy 451, Moreauville, 5079 Hwy 1, Marksville, 289 S Bayou Des Glaisses Road, Cottonport, 107 Ora Lee Tuner Park Lane, Bunkie. Motion carried.

On motion by Sam Pearce, seconded by Allen Thomas to adopt a resolution to submit a LCDBG Grant Application for demolition of Sub-Standard Properties. Motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Mark Borrel, authorizing payment to the Louisiana Watershed Commission in the amount of \$9,433, to help fund operations for FY 27. Motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Craig Foster to accept the Memorial Resolution for the late David Lafargue. Motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Allen Thomas, authorizing the purchase of a Metal Detector, not to exceed \$10,000. Motion carried.

On motion by Mark Borrel, seconded by Allen Thomas, approving the quote from Gremillion's Painting, \$2,270. Motion carried.

On motion by Clyde Benson, seconded by Allen Thomas, to approve four employees to attend a Chainsaw Safety and Maintenance class, \$35 per employee. Motion carried.

On motion by Travis Franks, seconded by Jacob Coco, to accept the quote from Computers 911 for recording equipment. Motion carried.

On motion by Sam Pearce, seconded by Allen Thomas, to pay tax on Parcel No. 0080641300 in the amount of \$1,9142.78, Christy Casey to relinquish rights to the Parish. Motion carried.

On motion by Allen Thomas, seconded by Sam Pearce, granting the Secretary/Treasurer to pay all bills and waive a reading of the whole. Motion carried.

On motion by Jacob Coco, seconded by Allen Thomas to adjourn. Motion carried.