

Operations Committee
July 20, 2021

The Operations Committee met Tuesday, July 20, 2021, at 5:00 PM in The Nathaniel Zeno Jr. Meeting Room, Jackson Parish Police Jury Administrative Building, 160 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members Present: Mr. Lewis Chatham, Ms. Amy Magee and Mr. John McCarty. Absent: none. Also present: Robin Sessions, Solid Waste Superintendent, Jody Stuckey, Road Superintendent, and Gina Thomas, Secretary-Treasurer.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Ms. Amy Magee. Mr. McCarty gave the invocation and Mr. Chatham led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public comments.

The Chair opened the floor for a discussion on the status of cross-training in the Maintenance Department. The Secretary-Treasurer gave a report.

There were no departmental concerns or requests from the Maintenance Department.

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The Chair invited Mr. Stuckey to report on the traffic counters project. He stated 291 of the 282 segments had been completed.

Mr. Stuckey discussed cross-training in the Road Department.

Motion Mr. Chatham, seconded Mr. McCarty to recommend the Police Jury authorize the low bid from LA Machinery for the lease agreement for two road graders. Motion carried.

Mr. Chatham discussed a request from the Town of Chatham for road work on Mill Street. Ms. Magee asked that they send a letter of request for review.

The Chair invited Mr. John Moore to discuss the charges for dumping mixed trash as a non-resident at the landfill. Ms. Magee asked the Committee if they would consider reducing the total invoice by \$250. Motion Mr. Chatham, seconded Mr. McCarty to recommend the Police Jury waive one scale ticket in the amount of \$380.25. Motion carried.

The Chair invited Mr. Sessions to discuss routes for the boom trucks at the parish bin sites. Mr. Sessions presented his plan and discussed staff cross-training and plans for the gravel sites. The Committee discussed plans for a model bin site at Highway 148. Mr. Sessions discussed the cost for the gravel site and logistic issues if they decide to build a model site later on.

Motion Mr. Chatham, seconded Mr. McCarty to recommend the Police Jury suspend the activities to close the road-side sites and build the gravel site in the northwest region until the Jury decides on whether or not to proceed with the construction of a model bin site. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Chatham, seconded Mr. McCarty to recommend the Police Jury authorize an appraisal on the timber and land for the landfill expansion. Motion carried.

Mr. Sessions discussed the municipality fees for dumping at the landfill and transfer station starting in August. The Committee agreed that Waste Management would be billed for their loads separate from the Town billing.

The date of the next Operations Committee was set for Tuesday, August 17th at 5:30 PM.

Motion Mr. McCarty, seconded Mr. Chatham to adjourn. Motion carried.