

Finance Committee
June 27, 2019

The Finance Committee met Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 5:30 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room 301 of the Jackson Parish Courthouse, 500 E. Court Street , Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Todd Culpepper and Mr. John McCarty. Absent: Ms. Regina Rowe. Also present: Mr. Lynn Treadway and Mr. Glen Kirkland, Tax Assessor.

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Mr. McCarty. Mr. Culpepper gave the invocation and Mr. McCarty led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public comments.

Mr. McCarty greeted the members of the Jackson Parish Library Board and Mr. Glen Kirkland and thanked them for their attendance.

The Committee, Library Board, and Mr. Kirkland discussed the current tax millage rate and fund balance for the library. Library Director, Marcie Nelson, presented the recommended capital projects for future years including the purchase of a new bookmobile, roof repairs, and a parking lot expansion.

Ms. Regina Rowe arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Kirkland discussed the taxable values and millage amounts. The Committee and Library Board reviewed the current 2019 budget and discussed ways they could reduce the fund balance by investing in future projects.

Mr. McCarty thanked the Library Board for their input. The Board Members and Mr. Kirkland left the meeting.

Motion Ms. Rowe, seconded Mr. Culpepper to recommend the Jury reduce the 2019 Library millage to 6.40 mills based on the current fund balance and future planned projects. Motion carried.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the planned capital project to update the Courthouse air handling units. Based on the repairs and issues in the current year with AHU #2, the Secretary-Treasurer recommended that they delay replacing AHU #3 and proceed with replacing AHU #1 and AHU #2 since they are located next to each other. She stated that the budgeted costs for swapping #3 with #1 and #2 are comparable and would not require an amended budget.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Ms. Rowe to recommend the Jury approve the proposal from John J. Guth for engineering services to replace air handling units #1 and #2 in the Courthouse. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed the current calculations for eligible municipal appropriations.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Ms. Rowe to recommend the Jury authorized the eligible 2019 municipal appropriations pending final balances from the Coroner's office. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed the recommended proposals from TEC and DSC security for internet, phone, and security systems for the new office building on Industrial Drive. They discussed additional general maintenance and repairs that would need to be done in addition to the repair work from the storm damage.

Motion Ms. Rowe, seconded Mr. Culpepper to recommend the Jury approve the proposals from TEC and DSC Security and to authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to get quotes on general building repairs and maintenance. Motion carried.

The Committee discussed the budget and plans for the 2019 Veteran's Program scheduled for Monday, November 11th.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Ms. Rowe to adjourn. Motion carried.