Finance Committee April 21, 2021

The Finance Committee met Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 12:00 PM in The Sunshine Room of the Jackson Parish Police Jury Administrative Building, 160 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Ms. Amy Magee, Mr. John McCarty, and Ms. Tarneshala Cowans. Absent: none.

The Chairman, Ms. Tarneshala Cowans, called the meeting to order.

There were no public comments.

Mr. Trae Brashear presented the 2021-22 Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance renewal and explained the 2% premium increase. The Secretary-Treasurer stated this increase was less than they had anticipated and would decrease the 2021 budget.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Mr. McCarty to recommend the Police Jury accept the 2021-22 health insurance renewal. Motion carried.

The committee reviewed the requested surplus items.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Mr. McCarty to table action on the surplus items until the departments can provide more information. Motion carried.

The Secretary-Treasurer stated that she would develop a standard request form for surplus items for the next meeting.

The Committee reviewed the request from the Judge's office for charges to re-wire their network. The Secretary-Treasurer stated she would request more information on the request.

Motion Mr. McCarty, seconded Ms. Magee to table action on the request until they had more information. Motion carried.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the financials to-date and reviewed the recommended 2021 budget amendments. The Committee discussed the over-budget items and discussed opportunities for cost savings.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Mr. McCarty to recommend the Police Jury adopt the 2021 budget amendments. Motion carried.

The Chair opened the floor for discussion of other items.

Ms. Magee stated that she would present information to the Police Jury on upcoming funding through COVID-19 and Hurricane Laura mitigation.

The date and time for the next Finance Committee was set for Thursday, May 20th at 12:00 PM.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Mr. McCarty to adjourn. Motion carried.