

The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in Business Session Monday, August 2, 2021, at 5:15 PM in the Nathaniel Zeno Jr. Meeting Room of the Jackson Parish Police Jury Administrative Building, 160 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Todd Culpepper, Mr. Lewis Chatham, Ms. Amy Magee, Mr. John McCarty, Ms. Tarneshala Cowans, Ms. Regina Rowe, and Mr. Lynn Treadway. Absent: None. Also in attendance: Mr. Darrell Avery, Assistant D.A.

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

The President opened the floor for public comments, and they were heard.

The President called for action items.

Motion Ms. Rowe, seconded Mr. Treadway to approve the interview panel's recommendation from November 19, 2020, to hire Brad Roller as Operations Manager according to the job description, duties, and salary schedule adopted on March 9, 2020. Motion carried with Mr. Culpepper voting "Nay" and Mr. McCarty abstaining.

Motion Mr. Chatham, seconded Mr. Treadway to approve the request from July 23, 2021 to promote Robert Anderson to a Level II Supervisor with a pay increase per the adopted salary schedule. Motion carried.

The President called for Committee Reports.

Ms. Magee, Chairman of the Operations Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the July 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Jury reviewed the recommendation to reduce a portion of the solid waste fees for Mr. John Moore. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that waiving the fees could be considered a public donation of funds. Mr. Avery agreed.

The Jury reviewed the recommendation to temporarily suspend the activities to create the gravel bin site at the Hwy 148 location.

The Jury reviewed the recommendation to authorize an appraisal on the timber and land for the landfill expansion.

Ms. Cowans, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the July 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the third quarter budget amendments for review.

The Jury reviewed the proposed 2021 ad valorem millage rates.

Ms. Magee, Chairman of the Grants Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the July 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

Ms. Magee discussed information from the NACo conference regarding the revenue loss calculations and utilizing ARP funding for solid waste projects.

Ms. Rowe, Chairman of the Policy & Personnel Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

The Jury reviewed the recommendation to adopt the code of ordinances as-is to get them published. Ms. Rowe stated the Committee would begin reviewing the ordinances and make changes as needed.

Mr. Chatham, Chairman of the Projects Committee, stated they would meet on August 17<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Culpepper, Chairman of the Veteran's Committee, gave an update on the 2021 Veteran's Program.

Mr. McCarty, Chairman of the Parish Cleanup Committee, stated they would be meeting with the Caney Lake Beautification organization to discuss the adopt a road program and to review the first cleanup event.

Mr. Treadway, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee, stated they would meet in August.

The President stated the Committee Assignments sheet was in the meeting packet for review.

The Jury reviewed items from the other committees and boards.

With the conclusion of Committee and Board Reports, the President moved on to Continued Business. The Jury reviewed the nominees and actions needed for parish board appointments.

The Jury reviewed the request from the Museum Board to reduce their board members from ten to seven.

The Jury reviewed the Hospital Board ordinance and opinion from Mr. Avery.

The President moved to New Business.

The Jury reviewed the letter of request from the Jackson Parish Recreation District.

The Jury discussed internet service issues at the Road Department. Mr. Stuckey, Road Superintendent, presented quotes from service providers.

The President opened the floor for discussion of other topics and announcements.

Mr. Chatham asked if the Jury had ever researched contracting out road grading services.

Mr. Culpepper asked for a status on the livestock pavilion project. Ms. Magee stated it was part of a bill that had been vetoed by Governor Edwards, but they Jury had not received any official notification from the state.

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