

Operations Committee  
August 21, 2020

The Operations Committee met Friday, August 21, 2020 at 12:00 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Jackson Parish Courthouse, 500 E. Court Street, Room 301, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Ms. Amy Magee, Mr. Lewis Chatham, and Mr. Lynn Treadway. Absent: none. Also in attendance: Mr. John McCarty, Mr. Jody Stuckey, Road Superintendent, Mr. Robin Sessions, Solid Waste Superintendent, and Mr. Paul Riley, Engineer.

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

There being no public comments, the Chair moved on to agenda items.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Mr. Chatham to amend the agenda to include discussion and recommendation to the letter of request from the school board. Motion carried unanimously and the item was added to #6.

The Chair moved item #7 to the top of the agenda.

Mr. Sessions gave an update on the status of the Solid Waste Department and discussed the closure of the recycle program and the state of personnel. The Committee discussed commercial pickup and dumping throughout the parish.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Mr. Chatham to recommend the Jury send a letter to the known commercial businesses notifying them that they cannot dump commercial garbage at the bin sites. Motion carried.

The Chair moved to item #1.

Mr. Riley presented the cost estimate to have the Road Department perform the repair work on Shalimar Road for \$42,000.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Mr. Chatham to recommend the Jury authorize the Road Department to schedule and perform the repair work on Shalimar Road. Motion carried.

Mr. Riley presented the cost estimate to have the Road Department perform the repair work on Rosco Road for \$75,000.

Motion Mr. Chatham, seconded Mr. Treadway to recommend the Jury authorize the Road Department to schedule and perform the repair work on Rosco Road. Motion carried.

Mr. Riley presented the cost estimate to have the Road Department perform the repair work on Hatten Road for \$10,690.40.

Motion Mr. Chatham, seconded Mr. Treadway to recommend the Jury authorize the Road Department to schedule and perform the repair work on Hatten Road. Motion carried.

The Chair clarified that all three estimated repairs would need to go through the Finance Committee for budget amendments.

The Committee discussed the planned work on Harris Loop.

Motion Mr. Chatham, seconded Mr. Treadway to recommend the Jury perform the work as originally planned on the asphalt maintenance schedule vs. the changes from the last Committee meeting. Motion carried.

Mr. Riley discussed the progress for reviewing roads for revocation from the parish road system. The Committee requested that he present 10 roads at one time for review with the understanding that the studies would continue and go through all districts.

Mr. Stuckey presented an update on the new drainage crew and the asphalt repairs and maintenance schedule. He discussed the recent new hires and the evaluation process. He presented the Committee with the reports from DOTD on bridge inspections. The Committee discussed the new bridge inspections and ratings.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the update for the Maintenance Department and discussed the pressure washing at the Health Unit and Community Center. She detailed the electronic work order program proposal and gave an update on the Maintenance staff and current vacancy.

The Committee reviewed the letter of request from the School Board to perform repairs at the Quitman High School parking lot. They discussed that this project would not take precedence over the scheduled work for the Road Department. Mr. Stuckey stated that after they completed asphalt maintenance they would return to their major asphalt repair sites and then start special projects from the Jury and municipal appropriations. He estimated that it would take one week to complete the requested work and that it would have to be when school was out on break. The Committee deferred the request to the Business Session.

The Secretary-Treasurer updated the Committee with the planned work at the Industrial Drive office building and the submission for CARES Act reimbursements.

Mr. Stuckey asked for clarification on the scheduled work on Garner Road and asked for permission to carry the repairs to the end of the road. Mr. Riley stated that it had likely been a mis-print and the intention was for the repairs to extend to the end of the road.

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