The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in Business Session Monday, June 7, 2021, at 5:15 PM at the Dr. Charles H. Garrett Community Center, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Todd Culpepper, Mr. Lewis Chatham, Ms. Amy Magee, Mr. John McCarty, Ms. Tarneshala Cowans, Ms. Regina Rowe (arrived during item #1), and Mr. Treadway. Absent: none. Also in attendance: Mr. Darrell Avery, Assistant D.A.

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

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Mr. McCarty to amend the agenda to include a discussion of the Subdivision Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously and the item was added after item #12.

There were no public comments.

The President called for Committee Reports.

Mr. McCarty, Chairman of the Parish Cleanup Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the May 6th meeting. He stated they would still proceed with the June 12th cleanup event. The Jury discussed the details for the event and decided to have each Juror pick up the supplies for their district and have them available in their designated areas.

Ms. Rowe arrived at the meeting.

Mr. McCarty discussed the competition and stated the judges would select areas to inspect within each district and municipality. The Jury discussed having an awards day after the cleanup event. Mr. McCarty stated the garbage would need to be brought to the parish bin sites.

Ms. Cowans, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the May 20th meeting.

Ms. Magee noted that the Jury would need to begin reviewing the 2021 millage adoption.

Mr. Chatham, Chairman of the Project Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the May 25th meeting. He stated the committee would be working on the re-apportionment maps.

Ms. Magee, Chairman of the Operations Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the May 25th meeting. She stated the Administrative Department was looking at software upgrades.

Ms. Magee opened the floor for Mr. Paul Riley, Parish Engineer.

Mr. Riley stated the 2021 Road Program bids had been tabulated and came in under budget. He discussed the portion of Gansville Road from Industrial Drive up to the airport. The Jury discussed who had ownership of that portion of the road.

Ms. Magee, Chairman of the Grants Committee, provided a summary of the discussions from the May 26th meeting.

Ms. Rowe, Chairman of the Policy and Personnel Committee provided a summary of the discussions and recommendations from the May 28th meeting.

Ms. Magee asked if setups for the Superintendent had been discussed. Ms. Rowe stated it had been.

There were no discussions on the recommendations for items #7 and #8.

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

The Jury reviewed items from the other committees and boards.

Ms. Cowans stated the Broadband Steering Committee would meet later in the week.

Mr. Chatham stated the Library Board had discussed a permanent cover over the Veteran's Memorial Park stage.

Mr. Treadway stated the Pinebelt Summer Worker Program had begun and that the next board meeting would be in July.

Ms. Rowe shared information on a fundraiser for the Sparta Groundwater Commission and their upcoming meeting.

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.

Mr. Avery shared information from an Attorney General's Opinion regarding the statutes for the Hospital Board.

The Jury reviewed the proposed equipment for the Enterprise Fleet Management program. The Secretary-Treasurer stated there would be a 7-to-8-month lead time before the equipment would be in and that they would have time to build the cost into the budget.

The President reviewed the letter sent to the municipalities concerning solid waste dumping fees.

The President moved to New Business.

The President reviewed the deadlines to have a proposition on the ballot for the November election.

Mr. Culpepper discussed the Subdivision Ordinance. Ms. Magee stated any ordinance changes would go through the Policy & Personnel Committee. The Jury discussed the regulations and restrictions of the ordinance.

The President opened the floor for a discussion of the Solid Waste Department.

Mr. Culpepper asked about the proposed gravel sites for the remaining bin sites. Mr. Sessions stated the original cost estimate did not include fencing. Mr. Culpepper stated they should not designate the gravel sites as "temporary" because they may not be replaced any time soon. Mr. Culpepper asked if it was necessary to visit every bin site every day.

Mr. Sessions discussed the move of one General Laborer to the Maintenance Department. He discussed staffing concerns. He discussed someone turning in the Chatham and Weston bin sites to DEQ over the Memorial Day weekend and stated that DEQ did not find any infractions and noted that both sites were clean. Mr. Sessions stated a resident had threatened an employee at a bin site that they would slash the tires on the Police Jury equipment.

Ms. Rowe asked what they cost savings were for shutting down the road-side sites.

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

The President announced the June 12th Parish Cleanup Event.

The President announced that starting in July the Business Session meeting will be held at the Nathanial Zeno Jr. Meeting Room in the Administrative Building.

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