

The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in Business Session Monday, June 3, 2019 at 5:10 PM at the Dr. Charles H. Garrett Community Center, 182 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Eddie Langston, Mr. John McCarty, Ms. Niki Cowans, Ms. Regina Rowe, and Mr. Lynn Treadway. Absent: Mr. Todd Culpepper and Ms. Amy Magee.

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

There being no public comments, the President moved to Continued Business.

Mr. Paul Riley, Parish Engineer, updated the Police Jury on the timeline to update the Courthouse handicapped parking lot stating that it would be a three to four week project and that the south entrance would not be accessible during that time.

Ms. Magee arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Langston stated that they needed to get the project completed before the fall elections so that people have access to the Courthouse. Mr. Riley stated that the Secretary-Treasurer can grant authorization for him to advertise for quotes and bids. He asked that the Police Jury have a Special Meeting later in the month to accept the low bid so the project could begin.

With the completion of Continued Business, the President moved to New Business.

The Police Jury reviewed the memo to amend the 2019 Tourism budget. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that the budget had been based on prior years' activities when there hadn't been an active board. The current Tourism Board submitted a recommended budget that keeps the fund in balance.

The Police Jury reviewed the Trailblazer 2019 Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and request for an appropriation of \$1,200. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that Trailblazer had requested a representative from Jackson Parish to serve on their board in the future.

The Police Jury reviewed the Heritage Museum annual budget and ordinance.

The Secretary-Treasurer stated that the dedicated "Freedom Tree" in the Veteran's Memorial Park had died and would need to be replaced. The Police Jury stated they did not need a re-dedication ceremony and that the Maintenance Department could proceed with the replacement.

Mr. Darrell Avery, Assistant District Attorney, arrived at the meeting.

The Police Jury discussed performing work and providing assistance to parish boards and commissions. They asked about having the Road or Solid Waste crews provide labor and equipment when they need help with special projects. Mr. Avery stated that he had researched the topic and that each board is considered their own separate political subdivision and needed to be treated the same as other entities like the towns or non- Police Jury boards. The Police Jury can provide assistance through Cooperative Endeavor Agreements as long as they are in compliance with the statutes of the law.

With no other New Business, the President called for Discussion of Other Topics.

With Mr. Avery in attendance, Mr. Riley asked for clarity on court dates and jury trials at the Courthouse as they relate to the handicapped parking project. Mr. Avery stated that August 19<sup>th</sup> is when they have juries. The Police Jury asked that the project be completed before that date.

Mr. Riley asked that the Police Jury review the requests for drainage servitudes for the Hospital Drainage Project. He asked if a Police Jury representative could contact the landowners and ask for the servitudes to be donated. The Police Jury discussed having Mr. John, as President, contact the landowners.

The Secretary-Treasurer stated there was a legal matter that would require a Special Meeting with an executive session later in the month.

With no other business or discussion, the President called for adjournment of the meeting. Motion Ms. Rowe, seconded Mr. Culpepper to adjourn. Motion carried.