

Finance Committee
November 21, 2019

The Finance Committee met Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 12:00 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room 301 of the Jackson Parish Courthouse, 500 E. Court Street, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Todd Culpepper, Mr. John McCarty, and Ms. Regina Rowe. Absent: none.

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

There were no public comments.

The Committee reviewed the recommended 2019 budget amendments presented by the Secretary-Treasurer. The Secretary-Treasurer noted that key items included the purchase of the building and land and the capital projects for the handicapped parking lot and 2nd floor mold abatement were offset by the budgeted capital projects for the Library that did not happen. There were also additional repair costs and an increase in payroll due to the storm damage.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Ms. Rowe to recommend the Police Jury adopt the 2019 amended budget as presented. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed the requested items for the 2020 budget. They reviewed departmental requests for capital projects and purchases. They discussed reducing the allocations for appropriations in future years. The Secretary-Treasurer stated she would prepare the final budget to be presented and reviewed at the December Business Session.

The Committee discussed the plans for the new building on Industrial Drive. They asked the Secretary-Treasurer to start getting bids for flooring and painting to prepare the building for occupancy.

The Committee reviewed letters of request from the Town of Eros and the Town of Jonesboro. They asked that the President respond to the Town of Eros request and ask that the request come from the council as the policy dictates. The Committee asked the President to respond to the Town of Jonesboro regarding their request for drainage work.

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