

The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 5:30 PM in the Dr. Charles H. Garrett Community Center, 182 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members Present: Mr. Todd Culpepper, Mr. Eddie Langston, Ms. Amy Magee, Mr. John McCarty, Ms. Niki Cowans, and Mr. Lynn Treadway. Absent: Ms. Regina Rowe. Also present: Darrell Avery, Assistant District Attorney.

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

There were no public comments.

The President moved to the approval of minutes.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Ms. Magee to adopt the minutes of the October 15th and November 4th Jury Meetings, monthly purchase orders, and the payment of all bills. Motion carried.

The President called for Committee Reports.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Ms. Magee to adopt the minutes of the October 30th Finance Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

*Finance Committee
October 30, 2019*

The Finance Committee met Wednesday, October 30, 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 2020 Recreation District Budget.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Ms. Rowe to recommend the Jury adopt the 2020 budget as presented. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed the 2020 Library Budget and noted several items for Library Board to review including ad valorem tax revenue and capital projects.

Motion Ms. Rowe, seconded Mr. Culpepper to recommend having the Secretary-Treasurer present the list of items to the Library Board for their consideration. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed the budget requests for the Road, Solid Waste, Maintenance, Coroner, and Administrative departments. Specific budget recommendations included:

- *The construction of two solid waste model bin sites*
- *Increase of \$100k for asphalt supplies*

Other items are to be incorporated into the budget plan and reviewed at the next Finance Committee Meeting.

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

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Mr. Treadway to adopt the 2020 Recreation Budget as presented. Motion carried.

The President called for monthly management reports.

Mr. Jody Stucky, Road Department Superintendent, gave the October 2019 Road report noting that \$11,520.06 had been spent on emergency call-outs during the month, primarily for gravel. He also stated that the Vernon-Eros bridge replacement project had been completed.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Mr. Treadway to accept the October 2019 emergency/off-schedule report. Motion carried.

Mr. Robin Sessions, Solid Waste Department Superintendent, presented the October 2019 Solid Waste Report.

Mr. Mark Treadway, OEP Director, gave the October 2019 OEP Report and updated the Police Jury on the progress to obtain grant money for a project to assist the Jackson Parish municipalities with generators for their water systems.

Ms. Gina Thomas, Secretary-Treasurer, presented the October 2019 Financial Report highlighting the actual vs. budget comparisons for all funds. She noted that the larger budget amendments had been for projects previously approved by the Jury.

Mr. Bubba Anderson, Maintenance Supervisor presented the October 2019 Maintenance Report giving details on current and upcoming projects.

With the completion of Management Reports, the President moved to Other Business.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Ms. Magee to authorize the title review and purchase of the land on Zoar Road for the appraised price of \$25,820. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Ms. Cowans to authorize the title review and purchase of the land on Dorsey Shop Road for the appraised price of \$25,820. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Ms. Cowans to appoint Ms. Ann Standley to the Library Board to complete the unexpired term of Ms. Margaret Ford ending 12/31/2019. There was discussion that she would be re-appointed to a new term the following month. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Mr. Langston to appoint Mr. Brandon Lamkin to the Recreation Board to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Darren Alexander ending 3/20/2020. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Mr. Culpepper to re-appoint Mr. Bill Jimmerson to the Quitman Fire District Board for a 2- year term of 11/12/2019 – 11/12/2021. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Ms. Cowans to amend the agenda to include:

Consider and act on appointing Mr. Wayne Whitman to the Ward 3 Fire Protection District Board to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Danny Peel ending 12/31/2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Mr. Treadway to appoint Mr. Wayne Whitman to the Ward 3 Fire Protection District Board to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Danny Peel ending 12/31/2020. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Ms. Magee to approve a resolution to request an Attorney General's Opinion to determine if the State of Louisiana or the Jackson Parish Police Jury is responsible for insurance coverage for the members of the Watershed District Board. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Ms. Cowans to authorize the President to sign a letter of support for the Town of Jonesboro for the 2019-20 LGAP grant application. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Mr. Culpepper to accept the substantial completion from Mechanical Concepts for the Courthouse boiler and pumps project. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Mr. Treadway to approve the LSU Ag Center request for the Community Center on December 2, 2019, January 6, 2020, and February 3, 2020. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Magee, seconded Mr. Treadway to adopt the following Proclamation honoring the 2019 Grand Marshal, Mr. John R. Williams Day:

Proclamation

I, John McCarty, President of the Jackson Parish Police Jury,
do hereby declare this day,
Saturday, November 30, 2019 as
John R Williams Day
throughout all of Jackson Parish in recognition of being selected as
2019 Grand Marshal
Wonderland in the Pines Celebration
Jonesboro, Louisiana

and to acknowledge the many contributions you have made as an active citizen who supports our community through your commitment to Christ as a member of Life Church, La, through leadership and generosity as a proactive voice and donor to promote Social-Economic Development, through service as a Constable and member of various Civic Organizations and Boards; through love that is exemplified by your dedication to family. On behalf of the Jackson Parish Police Jury, we congratulate you, John R. Williams, and extend our appreciation to you for your contributions to our parish.

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Ms. Magee to authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to publish the notice of the Preliminary Consolidated Budget Hearing for December 9, 2019. Motion carried.

The President moved to Announcements & Notifications.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the list of 2020 Liquor/Beer Permits to be issued in accordance with the parish ordinance.

Motion Mr. Treadway seconded Mr. Culpepper to adopt the following Proclamation in honor of Mr. Eddie Langston for his service of 20 years as a Police Juror:

Proclamation
In Recognition of
Mr. Eddie Langston

WHEREAS, Public Service is a Noble Calling that few of us are able to answer

WHEREAS, Mr. Eddie Langston, is a longtime resident of Jackson Parish

AND WHEREAS, Mr. Langston, drawn by a genuine love for Jackson Parish and its citizens, was first elected to the Jackson Parish Police Jury on November 02, 1999

WHEREAS, every day the residents of Ward 2 have directly benefited from the dedication Mr. Eddie Langston has exhibited in serving his constituents.

REALIZING, that Mr. Eddie Langston has offered continuity of service across years of election cycles and has been essential to the smooth functioning of our Parish over time.

NOTING that as a Juror, Mr. Eddie Langston was instrumental in pushing forward policies and securing funding for the construction of Lakeshore drive as well as other major road projects in the parish.

NOTING ALSO that as a Juror, one of Mr. Eddie Langston's proudest moments was at the dedication of the Dr. Charles H. Garrett Community Center. Its completion was the culmination of years of hard work and, in part, the result of Mr. Eddie Langston's leadership role and his dedication to this project.

WHEREAS, we all owe a substantial debt of gratitude to Mr. Eddie Langston.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langston, during his 20-year tenure as a member of the Jackson Parish Police Jury, served on numerous committees and boards.

WHEREAS, Mr. Eddie Langston was recognized as a leader by his fellow jurors, having been elected to serve as Jury President 5 terms and Vice President for 4.

WHEREAS, Mr. Eddie Langston has embraced retirement and will be missed.

WHEREAS, Mr. Eddie Langston offers his continued support to the Jackson Parish Police Jury

WHEREAS, The Jackson Parish Police Jury appreciates and respects Mr. Eddie Langston for his many years of loyal and dedicated service.

THEREFORE, let it be proclaimed that Mr. Eddie Langston's Legacy as a Police Juror of the Great Parish of Jackson, Louisiana be entered into our record and preserved for history.

NOW THEREFORE, we The Jackson Parish Police Jury have the distinct honor of adopting this proclamation in recognition of Mr. Eddie Langston.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Jackson Parish Police Jury to be affixed hereunto.

DONE at Jonesboro, Jackson Parish, Louisiana, this 12th day of November 2019.

/s/ John McCarty
President

Motion carried.

The Proclamation was read aloud, and a recognition plaque was presented to Mr. Langston. Mr. Langston thanked the Jury and recognized his family in attendance.

Being no further business or announcements, the President opened the floor for Juror comments.

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