

The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in Special Session, Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 12:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Jackson Parish Courthouse, 500 E. Court Street, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Todd Culpepper, Ms. Amy Magee, Mr. John McCarty, Ms. Tarneshala Cowans, Ms. Regina Rowe, and Mr. Lynn Treadway. Absent: Mr. Lewis Chatham. Also present: Mr. Darrell Avery, Assistant District Attorney and Mr. Mark Treadway, OEP Director.

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

There were no public comments.

The President invited Mr. James Lee Witt from AG Witt to explain the services offered by consultant firms to assist the Parish through the FEMA and public assistance process to get reimbursement from damages from Hurricane Laura. He explained the RFP process and answered questions regarding volunteer hours and assisting the parish municipalities.

The President opened the discussion of parish-wide debris pickup and explained that not all roads will be eligible for FEMA reimbursement for debris pickup.

Motion Mr. Culpepper, seconded Mr. treadway to authorize the President to send out Requests for Proposal (RFP) for debris removal, debris management and monitoring, and disaster recovery consulting and to award the winning proposals as defined in the RFPs. Motion carried.

The President discussed the proposed contract with Weyerhaeuser to temporarily use some of their designated land to hold the storm debris at no cost. Mr. Avery discussed the details of the contract and the stipulations. Motion Mr. Treadway, seconded Ms. Rowe to authorize the President to execute the contract with Weyerhaeuser for land use for storm debris. Motion carried.

The President opened the floor for discussion on additional measures for storm relief.

The Jury discussed the consulting and assistance for getting FEMA funding.

Mr. Mark Treadway discussed the status of power loss throughout the parish and discussed the open grant request for generators for all municipalities. He updated the Jury on the use of the Community Center by the National Guard and the current parish-wide burn ban.

Mr. Sessions, Solid Waste Superintendent, requested that the Parish fire departments wash down the bins at the bin sites due to the food spoilage that had been dumped.

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