

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Police Jury Meeting Room, 100 West Texas Avenue, Ruston, Louisiana. Present were: Greg Williams, District One; Karen Ludley, District Two; Dan Lord, District Three; T.J. Cranford, District Four; Logan Hunt, District Five; Glenn Scriber, District Six; Matt Pullin, District Seven; Chris Garriga, District Eight; Milton Melton, District Ten; Diane Richards, District Eleven; and Annette Straughter, District Twelve.

ABSENT: Joe Henderson, District Nine

President Scriber called the meeting to order and Karen Ludley delivered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chris Garriga offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord to approve the Agenda as printed. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

President Scriber called for Public Comments on Agenda Items. There were none.

Karen Ludley offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to approve the Minutes of the December 10, 2024 regular meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Greg Williams reported that the Public Works Committee met this day at 5:00 PM and the Committee recommends:

1. Approving the submittal of an application to the Community Water Enrichment Fund on behalf of the Mineral Springs Water System.
2. Approving the submittal of an application to the Local Government Assistance Program for improvements at the North Louisiana Exhibition Center.
3. Approving Change Order No. 1 for Chandler Road Overlay Project.
4. Approving submittal of federal appropriation request for transportation improvements associated with the Rough Edge Road Interchange.
5. Approving the purchase of the following equipment:
 - 12-14 yard dump truck (est. \$180,000.00)
 - Shoulder paver (est. \$80,000.00)
 - Pavement lay down machine (est. \$235,000.00)
6. Approving the preliminary plat for Oak Tree Road, Unit 1 Subdivision

Greg Williams offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

T.J. Cranford reported that the Economic Development & Planning and the Solid Waste & Recycling Committees met on this day at 5:30 PM and the Committees recommend:

1. Approving the Comprehensive Solid Waste Master Plan proposal from Kessler Consulting, Inc.
2. Approving the purchase of the following equipment:
 - Boom Collection Truck (est. \$195,000.00)
 - 24 8-yard dumpsters (est. \$30,000.00)
 - Tractor and Bush Hog (est.\$40,000.00)
 - Skid Steer Loader (est.\$100,000.00)

T.J. Cranford offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to approve the minutes of the Economic Development & Planning & the Solid Waste and Recycling Committees. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Mr. James Buckley, Legal Counsel, was asked to preside as Chairman for the purpose of electing officers for the year 2025. Mr. Buckley, acting as Chairman, stated the first order of business was the election for the office of President. Logan Hunt nominated Glenn Scriber. Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to close nominations. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Chairman Buckley declared Glenn Scriber the duly elected President for the year 2025.

Chairman Buckley opened the floor for nominations for Vice-President of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury for year 2025. Dan Lord nominated Greg Williams. Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to close nominations. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Greg Williams was declared the duly elected Vice-President of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury for the year 2025.

Chairman Buckley called for nominations for Parish Administrator. Glenn Scriber offered a motion, seconded by Greg Williams, to engage Courtney Hall for a 2 –year term. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to close nominations. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Under New Business was the North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory 2024 Amended and 2025 Proposed Budgets. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded Chris Garriga, to approve the North Louisiana

Criminalistics Laboratory 2024 Amended and 2025 Proposed Budgets. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Next item on the Agenda was to re-direct the Legislative ACT 776 Appropriation, in the amount of \$150,000.00, from planning to acquisition, and authorize the President to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement related thereto. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to approve the action. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

The next item on the Agenda was to authorize the President to execute a CEA for the Legislative ACT 776 Appropriation, in the amount of \$225,000.00, for industrial park site development. Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to approve the action. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Next item on the Agenda was to authorize engagement of Hart & Co, LLC for federal appropriation application preparation. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Chris Pullin, to authorize engaging with Hart & Co, LLC for federal appropriation application preparation. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Under Resolutions, Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to authorize a Resolution for Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Act Compliance.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-01

RESOLUTION OF ASSURANCE TO COMPLY WITH UNIFORM RELOCATION ASSISTANCE AND REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury anticipates obtaining Federal participation in transportation-related projects for the fiscal year 2025-2026; and,

WHEREAS, it is essential for the Lincoln Parish Police Jury to provide the necessary assurances to the Louisiana Department of Transportation's Real Estate Section that it will comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, as amended (Uniform Relocation Act) 42 U.S.C. 4601-4655, and with implementing Federal regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 24.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury assures that it comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Policies Act, as amended (Uniform Relocation Act) 42 U.S.C. 4601-4655, and with implementing Federal regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 24.

/s/Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Lincoln Parish Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Next item on the Agenda was authorizing submission of an application through the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) on behalf of the Mineral Springs Water System.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-02

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

The following Resolution was offered by Dan Lord who moved for its adoption at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury held this date, January 14, 2025.

“WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury is committed to providing safe potable water to all citizens of Lincoln Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Mineral Springs Water System’s Ground Storage Tank requires rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, rehabilitation of the tank provides for safer potable water; and

WHEREAS, neither the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, nor the Mineral Springs Water System have sufficient unappropriated funds on hand for the required capital improvement project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the requirements of the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) Program, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury does hereby support and cordially request grant authorization to execute and submit an application for the 2024-2025 Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) Program funding.

FURTHER, that Glenn Scriber, President, or Courtney Hall, Parish Administrator, be authorized to sign the application, contract, and all Requests for Payment or other documents required by the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) Program; and

FURTHER, that Michael Sutton, Parish Treasurer, be and he is hereby authorized to serve as the Certifying Officer to attest to the signatures of Glenn Scriber and Courtney Hall as authorized signatories.”

The motion for adoption of this Resolution was seconded by Logan Hunt and by affirmative vote of 11 to 0 was declared adopted by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this 14th day of January, 2025.

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber, President

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to authorize the submission of an application through the Louisiana Government Assistance Program (LGAP) for improvements at the North Louisiana Exhibition Center.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-03

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

The following Resolution was offered by Annette Straughter, who moved for its adoption at the normally scheduled council meeting of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this date, January 14, 2025.

“**WHEREAS**, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury has need of renovations/improvements to the Lincoln Parish Exhibition Center; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury does not have sufficient unappropriated funds on hand for the required capital improvement project; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the requirements of the Louisiana Government Assistance Program, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury does hereby support and cordially request grant authorization to execute and submit an application for the 2024-2025 Louisiana Government Assistance Program funding.

FURTHER, that Glenn Scriber, Jury President, or Courtney Hall, Parish Administrator, be authorized to sign the application, contract, and all Requests for Payment or other documents required by the Louisiana Government Assistance Program (LGAP); and

FURTHER, that Michael Sutton, Parish Treasurer, be and he is hereby authorized to serve as the Certifying Officer to attest to the signatures of Glenn Scriber and Courtney Hall as authorized signatories.”

The motion for adoption of this Resolution was seconded by Dan Lord and by affirmative vote of 11 to 0 was declared adopted by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this 14th day of January, 2025.

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber, President

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to appoint Mr. Scott Futrell to the Waterworks District No. 1 for a five-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-04

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mr. Scott Futrell

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Waterworks District No. 1
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2030

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to appoint Mr. John McClain, Sr. to the Tremont Water District for a five-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-05

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mr. John McClain, Sr.

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Tremont Water District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2030

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to appoint Mr. Walter McElduff to the Tremont Water District through December 13, 2029 for a five-year term

Resolution No. 2025-06

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mr. Walter McElduff

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Tremont Water District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – December 13, 2029

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Karen Ludley offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to appoint Ms. Lisa Mangum to the Waterworks District No. 2 for a five-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-07

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Ms. Lisa Mangum

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Waterworks District No. 2
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2030

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to appoint Mrs. Shalena Johnson to the Mt. Olive Waterworks District for a five-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-08

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mrs. Shalena Johnson

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Mt. Olive Waterworks District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2030

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to appoint Ms. Mertrude Douglas to the Mt. Olive Waterworks District for a five-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-09

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Ms. Mertrude Douglas

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Mt. Olive Waterworks District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2030

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall

/s/ Glenn Scriber

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to appoint Mr. Charlie Hudson to the Mt. Olive Waterworks District for a five-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-10

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mr. Charlie Hudson

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Mt. Olive Waterworks District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2030

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Karen Ludley offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to appoint Ms. Stephanie Smith to the Lincoln Parish Library Board of Control for a five-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-11

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Ms. Stephanie Smith

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Lincoln Parish Library Board of Control
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2030

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to appoint Mr. Anthony Garrison to the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 for a two-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-12

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mr. Anthony Garrison

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2027

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to appoint Mr. Clark Canterbury to the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 for a two-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-13

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mr. Clark Canterbury

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2027

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to appoint Mr. Patrick Patton to the North Louisiana Exhibition Center Commission for a four-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-14

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mr. Patrick Patton

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
North Louisiana Exhibition Center Commission
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2029

Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to appoint Mrs. Mallory Patterson to the Ruston/Lincoln Convention & Visitor’s Bureau representing the Historic Downtown District for a three-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-15

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mrs. Mallory Patterson

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Ruston Lincoln Convention and Visitor’s Bureau
Representing the Historic Downtown District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2028
Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025
LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to appoint Mr. Chris Wyatt to the Ruston/Lincoln Convention & Visitor’s Bureau representing the City of Ruston for a three-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-16

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
14th day of January, 2025 that

Mr. Chris Wyatt

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Ruston Lincoln Convention and Visitor’s Bureau
Representing the City of Ruston
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of January 14, 2025 – January 14, 2028
Signed and Sealed this 14th day of January, 2025

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Garriga, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to appoint Mr. Matt Pullin to the Ruston/Lincoln Convention & Visitor’s Bureau representing the Lincoln Parish Police Jury for a three-year term.

Resolution No. 2025-17

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this

