

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 7:00p.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; Joe Henderson, District Nine; Milton Melton, District Ten; Diane Richards, District Eleven and Annette Straughter, District Twelve.

President Glenn Scriber called the meeting to order, and T.J. Cranford delivered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

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

Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 Regular Meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Karen Ludley offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2024 Special Meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Under Committee Reports, Annette Straughter stated that the Health and Welfare Committee met at 5:30 p.m., and the Committee recommends:

1. Authorizing Mr. Michael Walpole, Architect, to send completed Health Hub Complex plans to the Louisiana State Fire Marshal and the City of Ruston for review and to Lincoln Builders, Inc. to prepare their final pricing.
2. To cease in-house dirtwork at the Health Hub site and let Lincoln Builders, Inc. provide pricing for completion of the dirtwork in their final pricing.
3. To allow the Architect to engage someone to provide landscape plans through his contract with the Police Jury.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to approve the minutes of the Health and Welfare Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Greg Williams stated that the Public Works Committee met at 6:00 p.m., and the committee recommends:

1. Awarding the bid for asphalt materials to Asphalt Product Unlimited, Inc.
2. Authorizing an advertisement for bids for a used 200 HP Dozer.
3. Authorizing the Administrator to negotiate a contract for engineering and design services for the FY 2024 Capital Improvement Projects.
4. Authorizing the Administrator to engage services for right-of-way limb trimming services.

Greg Williams offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, 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, Henderson, Melton, Richards, and Straughter

T.J. Cranford stated the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee met at 6:30 p.m. and the Committee recommends:

1. Committee members further review the proposed Litter Ordinance and reconvene next month with recommendations

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

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

Under New Business, an Ambulance Service Report was presented by Chief Chris Womack of the City of Ruston Fire Department.

Next item on the Agenda was to adopt an Ordinance for the sale of Adjudicated Property Parcel No. 28184BES200. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to adopt the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 475-24-0

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AN ACT OF SALE BY THE PARISH OF LINCOLN TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS PARCEL# 28184BES200: BEGINNING AT THE NW CORNER OF THAT CERTAIN 7 ACRE STRIP OF LAND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THAT DEED FROM VENDOR HEREIN TO WILL WILLIAMS WHICH IS OF RECORD IN BOOK TT, PAGE 370 OF THE CONVEYANCE RECORDS OF LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND RUN THENCE DUE EAST 66 YARDS TO PUBLIC ROAD RUNNING THROUGH SAID PROPERTY, THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID ROAD 35 YARDS, THENCE WEST 66 YARDS TO THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF THE SW ¼ OF SW ¼, SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 18 N, R 4 WEST, THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID BOUNDARY LINE 35 YARDS TO STARTING POINT, THE LAND HEREIN CONVEYED BEING LOCATED IN THE N ½ OF THE SW ¼ OF THE SW ¼, SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 18 N, R 4 WEST, IN ACCORDANCE WITH LA R.S. 47: 2202 T SEQ. AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY PRESIDENT TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TO ADDRESS THEIR MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO

WHEREAS, the immovable property described below was adjudicated to the Parish of Lincoln in 1996 for nonpayment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, the three (3) year period for redemption provided by Art. 7, §25 of the Louisiana Constitution has elapsed 337-14-(0) as well as the five (5) year redemption period, and the owner of record has failed to redeem the adjudicated property; and

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 47:2202 *et seq.* provides that the Parish may sell adjudicated property in accordance with law after the expiration of the period for redemption; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Lincoln has declared the property described below surplus and not needed for a public purpose and to dispose of said property in accordance with LA R.S. 47:2202, *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with L.A. R.S. 47:2202 the Parish of Lincoln has set a minimum bid for public sale at \$3,975.33 and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Lincoln has received a written offer to purchase said property from Loretta Livingston for the consideration of \$3,975.33 at the time of sale and has been accepted by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, the property described herein below was scheduled for public auction on March 5, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, that any Act of Sale of the below described property shall contain the following conditions and requirements:

- 1) This property described as Lincoln Parish Parcel# 28184BES200, bearing no municipal address, located on Best Road, Simsboro, LA, and more fully described as:

Parcel # 28184BES200 / No Municipal Address: Located on Best Road

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: BEGINNING AT THE NW CORNER OF THAT CERTAIN 7 ACRE STRIP OF LAND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THAT DEED FROM VENDOR HEREIN TO WILL WILLIAMS WHICH IS OF RECORD IN BOOK TT, PAGE 370 OF THE CONVEYANCE RECORDS OF LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND RUN THENCE DUE EAST 66 YARDS TO PUBLIC ROAD RUNNING THROUGH SAID PROPERTY, THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID ROAD 35 YARDS, THENCE WEST 66 YARDS TO THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF THE SW ¼ OF SW ¼, SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 18 N, R 4 WEST, THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID BOUNDARY LINE 35 YARDS TO STARTING POINT, THE

LAND HEREIN CONVEYED BEING LOCATED IN THE N ½ OF THE SW ¼ OF THE SW ¼, SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 18 N, R 4 WEST.

BRIEF LEGAL:BEG AT NW/C OF 7 AC STRIP OF LAND DESCR IN TT-370 OF CONV REC L/P LA & RUN S TH 66 YDS TO PUB RD RUNNING THRU PROP, TH N ALONG SAID RD 35 YDS TO THE W BDRY LINE OF SW SW SEC 28-18-4, TH S ALONG THE SAID BDRY LINE 35 YDS TO ST PT THE LAND CONV BEING LOC IN THE N/2 OF SW SW, SEC 28-18-4. (0301021200)

- 2) This property shall be sold in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 *et. seq.*, without any warranty, from either the Parish or Management Company, whatsoever, even as to the return of the purchase price.
- 3) The sale shall be on a form approved by the Parish Attorney and that the sales price is paid by certified funds at the time of the sale.
- 4) The sale shall include a reservation of all mineral rights to the Parish, but shall convey all surface rights.
- 5) The following shall be completed prior to closing of sale:
 - a. E&P Consulting Services, LLC shall certify in writing to the Parish Attorney that they have examined the mortgage records, conveyance records, probate and civil suit records of the Parish of Lincoln and that attached to this certification will be a written list of names and last known addresses of all owners, mortgagees, and any other person who may have a vested or contingent interest in the property, or who has filed a request for notice as provided in the former provisions LS-R.S. 33:4720.17(B), as indicated in those records.
 - b. E&P Consulting Services, LLC will provide notice to those persons identified in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 *et. seq.* Proof of said notice will be filed in the conveyance records of Lincoln Parish immediately after the Act of Sale.
 - c. At the time of closing, the E&P Consulting Services, LLC will certify in writing to Parish Attorney and Clerk of Court that the number of days mandated by LS-R.S. 47:2201 *et. seq.* has elapsed since the above required notice was made or attempted and that the property has not been redeemed by the payment of the taxes owed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Lincoln Parish Policy Jury, that the Police Jury President is hereby authorized to execute a Cash Sale of the above described adjudicated property to the highest acceptable bidder. The Cash Sale shall contain all of the above conditions and requirements and shall be executed within the timelines specified. The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

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

Next item on the Agenda was to authorize Substantial Completion for the Park Flow Trails Project. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to authorize Substantial Completion for the Park Flow Trails Project. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Next item on the Agenda were appointments to the Lincoln Parish Communications District. Joe Henderson offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to appoint Mr. Mike Rainwater, representing Emergency Service Providers for the Lincoln Parish Sheriff, to the Lincoln Parish Communications District for a four year term.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-29

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
12th day of March, 2024 that

Mike Rainwater

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Communications District
Representing Emergency Service Providers-Sheriff

Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,
For the term of March 12, 2024 – March 12, 2028
Signed and Sealed this 12th day of March, 2024
LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Parish President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to appoint Mr. Chris Womack, representing Emergency Service Providers for the City of Ruston Fire Department, to the Lincoln Parish Communications District for a four year term.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-30
BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
12th day of March, 2024 that
Chris Womack
Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Communications District
Representing Emergency Service Providers-City of Ruston Fire Department
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,
For the term of March 12, 2024 – March 12, 2028
Signed and Sealed this 12th day of March, 2024
LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Parish President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to appoint Mr. Kevin Reynolds, representing Emergency Services Providers for the Lincoln Parish Fire District to the Lincoln Parish Communications District for a four year term.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-30
BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
12th day of March, 2024 that
Kevin Reynolds
Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Communications District
Representing Emergency Service Providers-Lincoln Parish Fire District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,
For the term of March 12, 2024 – March 12, 2028
Signed and Sealed this 12th day of March, 2024
LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Parish President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Parish Treasurer Michael Sutton presented the budget report.

The next item on the Agenda was to consider and take action, if necessary, authorizing Travel for 2024 NaCo Annual Conference, July 12-15, 2024, in Tampa, Florida. No action was taken.

Next item on the Agenda was to consider and take action, if necessary, authorizing travel for Greg Williams to attend the 2024 Main Street Now Conference, May 6-8, 2024, in Birmingham, Alabama. After discussion, Joe Henderson offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to approve the travel. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSTAINED: Richards

Following various reports, President Scriber called for public comments. There were none. Karen Ludley offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President