

TO: Lincoln Parish Police Jury
FROM: Health and Welfare Committee
SUBJECT: Committee Report

The Health and Welfare Committee of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in the Police Jury Meeting Room, 100 West Texas Avenue, Monday, October 9, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. Present were: Annette Straughter, Chair, Milton Melton, and Sharyon Mayfield

Absent: Hazel Hunter and Matt Pullin

Annette Straughter called the meeting to order and Milton Melton delivered the invocation.

Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to approve the agenda. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Chair Straughter called for Public Comments on Agenda Items. There were none.

Under New Business, Architect Michael Walpole introduced Mr. Jerry Brasher with Lincoln Builders, Inc., who reviewed current pricing modules on construction of the Health Hub. Due to concerns over potentially exceeding available project funding, it was decided that the proposed sewer building would be priced as an additive alternate.

The next item on the agenda was to consider, and take action if necessary, recommendation of award for the Vernon Street Sewer Project. Paul Riley, Project Engineer, recommended awarding the project to Ashton Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$52,905.37. Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to award the project to Ashton Construction, LLC. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Next item on the agenda was to consider, and take action if necessary, authorizing an access and utility servitudes grant between the Lincoln Parish Police Jury and the City of Ruston, Louisiana. After discussion, Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, for the Lincoln Parish Police Jury and the City of Ruston, Louisiana to enter into an agreement authorizing an access and utility servitudes grant. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Interim Parish Administrator Courtney Hall briefed the Committee on the next steps for the Health Hub Project. They include completing the clearing and grubbing, constructing street access to the private residence on the property, lowering the sewer line on Vernon Street, and beginning removal of excess dirt.

Ms. Straughter called for public comments. There were none.

Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Courtney Hall
Interim Parish Administrator

Annette Straughter
Committee Chair