

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Jack Beard Community Room of the Lincoln Parish Library, Ruston, Louisiana. Present were: Theresa Wyatt, District One; Hazel Hunter, District Two; Richard I. Durrett, District Three; T.J. Cranford, District Four; Logan Hunt, District Five; Glenn Scriber, District Six; Matt Pullin, District Seven; Skip Russell, District Eight; Joe Henderson, District Nine; Milton Melton, District Ten; Sharyon Mayfield, District Eleven; and Annette Straughter, District Twelve.

ABSENT: None

President Durrett called the meeting to order and Skip Russell delivered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Administrator Doug Postel stated that there was one change to these minutes correcting the Committee name in the body of the minutes for Public Works. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Joe Henderson, to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2022 meeting with noted change. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2022 meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Skip Russell stated that the Finance Committee met at 5:30 pm this day and the Committee recommends:

1. Approving the budget amendment for ambulance services in the amount of \$60,000 for a total of \$120,000.00.
2. Approving the budget for ARPA funds in the amount of \$9,079,086.00.

Mr. Russell offered his report in the form of a motion, seconded by Joe Henderson. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Logan Hunt stated that the Public Works Committee met at 6:00 pm this day and the Committee recommends:

1. Approving the final plat for The Settlement, Phase I
2. Accepting the low bid of \$5.10 for MC-30 and \$3.09 for CRS-2 Asphalt Product Unlimited for liquid asphalt
3. Authorizing advertising for hot mix for six months
4. Tabling action on a motor grader for the highway department
5. Authorizing the City of Bastrop to piggyback purchase a Freightliner MS-106 Petersen TL3 Boom Hardow Dump Body
6. Entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Dubach for a limb truck to transfer a limb truck for the amount of \$5,000.00
7. Authorizing the request from Louisiana Tech University for general maintenance and grading of the Beef Unit Access Road.
8. Adopting a resolution for support of LGAP for sewer district funding
9. Adopting a resolution for support of CWF for the rehabilitation of the Mt. Zion elevated tank

RESOLUTION 22-18

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

The following Resolution was offered by TJ Cranford, who moved for its adoption at the normally scheduled council meeting of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this date, May 10, 2022.

“WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury has need for rehabilitation/repairs to the lift stations of the North Chatham Road Area Sewage District and the Blueberry Hills Sewage District; and

WHEREAS, neither the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, nor the North Chatham Road Area Sewage District and Blueberry Hills Sewage District 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 2021-2022 Louisiana Government Assistance Program funding.

FURTHER, that Richard I. Durrett, as Jury President, be and he is hereby 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 signature of Richard I. Durrett as authorized signatory.”

The motion for adoption of this Resolution was seconded by Matt Pullin and by affirmative vote of 12 to 0 was declared adopted by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this 10th day of May, 2022.

/s/ Richard I. Durrett

Richard I. Durrett, President

RESOLUTION 22-19

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

The following Resolution was offered by Matt Pullin, who moved for its adoption at the normally scheduled council meeting of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this date, May 10, 2022.

“**WHEREAS**, the Mt. Zion Water System has an immediate need for the rehabilitation of the interior of its elevated tank;

WHEREAS, rehabilitation of the Mt. Zion Water System’s elevated tank interior provides for safer potable water for all customers of the Mt. Zion Water System; and

WHEREAS, neither the Lincoln Parish Police Jury nor Mt. Zion 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 2021-2022 Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) Program funding.

FURTHER, that Richard I. Durrett, as President, be and he is hereby 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 signature of Richard I. Durrett as authorized signatory.”

The motion for adoption of this Resolution was seconded by Theresa Wyatt and by affirmative vote of 12 to 0 was declared adopted by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this 10th day of May, 2022.

/s/ Richard I. Durrett

Richard I. Durrett, President

Mr. Hunt offered his report in the form of a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

First on the agenda was the announcement of vacancies for the Library Board, one from the Grambling area and the Choudrant area. TJ Cranford requested to see a list of responsibilities and what members do for these boards.

Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to appoint Chief Tommy Clark to the Communications District for a four-year term.

Resolution No. 22-20

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
10th day of May, 2022 that

Chief Tommy Clark

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Lincoln Parish Communications District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of May 10, 2022 – May 10, 2026

Signed and Sealed this 10th day of May, 2022

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Doug Postel
Doug Postel
Parish Administrator

/s/ Richard I. Durrett
Richard I. Durrett
Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Next on the Agenda was to consider the adoption of millage rates for 2022. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to adopt the following resolution.

RESOLUTION 22-21

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury of the Parish of Lincoln, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on May 10, 2022, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2022 tax roll on all property subject to taxation:

MILLAGE

For General Parish Purposes (General Alimony Tax) on all taxable property inside the corporate limits of the City of Ruston, Louisiana	1.68 mills
For General Parish Purposes (General Alimony Tax) on all taxable property outside the corporate limits of the City of Ruston, Louisiana	3.37 mills
For the Construction, Improvement and/or Hard Surfacing of Public Roads and Bridges In Lincoln Parish, Louisiana	4.41 mills
For the Maintenance and/or Improvements of Public Roads and Bridges Throughout Lincoln Parish, Louisiana	4.41 mills
For the purpose of providing funds for equipment, supplies, maintenance, operation, construction and support of a public library and its branch or branches in the Parish.	4.49 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Lincoln, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2022, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

/s/ Richard I. Durrett

Richard I. Durrett, President

Item number eight on the agenda was to consider authorizing the president to enter into an agreement for a cultural resource survey for the Love Louisiana Outdoors Program. Administrator Doug Postel stated that the Choctaw Tribe had contacted the Police Jury to ask that this study be done for any land that will be disturbed during the project. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to authorize the agreement. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Matt Pullin, to authorize the president to enter into an agreement with a nationally certified trail design consultant to the Love Louisiana Outdoors Program. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Theresa Wyatt, to authorize the president to enter into an agreement for legal services to acquire parcels by whatever legal means necessary for the Health Hub property. Mr. Postel stated that the property had been researched all the way back to the 1800's however a clear title on some properties had not been found. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Mr. Postel stated that Lincoln Parish's Sesquicentennial would be next year (2023) and this resolution establishes a committee to plan events to celebrate the occasion. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Glenn Scriber, to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 22- 22

To create the Lincoln Parish Sesquicentennial Planning Committee to plan, develop, encourage and coordinate the Commemoration of the One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary of Lincoln Parish

WHEREAS, Lincoln Parish was officially established on February 24, 1873; and

WHEREAS, the year 2023 shall serve as the Sesquicentennial Celebration year for Lincoln Parish; and

WHEREAS, it will be a period to inventory and celebrate the progress of the last one hundred fifty years; and

WHEREAS, community members shall be asked to assist in developing, creating and executing plans, programs and events in connection with the One Hundred Fiftieth observance, and it is deemed in the public interest that a Lincoln Parish Sesquicentennial Planning Committee be created and given the duty to coordinate such activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana in regular session this 10th day of May 2022.

SECTION 1. That the Lincoln Parish Sesquicentennial Planning Committee is hereby created. Said Committee shall have all powers necessary and incidental to develop, screen, and set priorities for Sesquicentennial projects. The membership of said Committee shall be composed

of Lincoln Parish residents, appointed by the Parish Administrator, providing for a broad spectrum of representation. Committee members shall serve until December 31, 2023; each Committee member is to serve until relieved or replaced. Committee members are to serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

The first meeting of this Committee shall be called at a time and place to be designated by the appointing authority. The first order of business at the initial meeting shall be the election by the members of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary from among their membership.

SECTION 2. Goals of the Committee. The following basic rules, guidelines, and goals are hereby established as the operating procedures and objectives of this Sesquicentennial Committee.

- A. The committee shall make a reasonable effort to notify interested persons of their purposes and shall meet at the discretion of the chairman. The committee shall consider ideas from interested groups and individuals in Lincoln Parish.
- B. Consider certification of Sesquicentennial projects originated by, or presented to, the Committee and appoint advisory committees if needed to provide expertise on specific subjects or problems, provided the advisory committee shall be appointed for a specific task and serve at the pleasure of the committee, and be dissolved when the assigned task is completed.

/s/ Richard I. Durrett

Richard I. Durrett, President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to adopt the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 460-22-(1)

An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 459-22-(1) to clarify certain descriptions of precincts divided to adopt a redistricting plan for the Lincoln Parish Police Jury; and to provide for consolidated polling locations all newly created precincts.

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury adopted a redistricting plan by Ordinance No. 459-22-(1) to provide for new election districts after the 2020 federal decennial census;

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, shall clarify certain precinct descriptions created by Ordinance No. 459-22-(1);

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury shall provide for consolidated polling locations for all new precincts created by Ordinance No. 459-22-(1);

WHEREAS, The Lincoln Parish Police Jury hereby indicates amendments to Ordinance No. 459-22-(1) by italics and underlining to SECTION 1 of the original ordinance. SECTION 2 OF Ordinance No. 459-22(1) remains unchanged.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY THAT:

- A. The Lincoln Parish Police Jury hereby divides and creates new precincts to be used in its redistricting plan to be first implemented for all purposes related to the qualifying for elections and the regularly scheduled elections for Lincoln Parish in the Fall of 2022.
- B. The geographic precinct divisions are described below and more specifically depicted and clarified in the shapefiles and block equivalency files submitted to the Louisiana Secretary of State.

C. Precinct 1-1 is hereby divided to create Precincts 1-1 and 1-1A.

Polling Location: Precincts 1-1 and 1-1A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 1-1.

Precinct 1-1A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of College Ave and Stadium Drive then south on Stadium Dr to its intersection with Adams Ave, then west on Adams Ave to its intersection with Church St, then north on Church St to its intersection with Central Ave, then west on Central Ave to its intersection with Founder Ave, then north on Founder Ave to its intersection with College Ave then east on College Ave to the point of beginning.

Precinct 1-1 shall be the prior Precinct 1-1, less and except Precinct 1-1A as herein described.

D. Precinct 2-1 is hereby divided to create Precincts 2-1 and 2-1A.

Polling Location: Precincts 2-1 and 2-1A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 2-1.

Precinct 2-1A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of College Ave and RWE Jones Dr, then south on RWE Jones Dr. to its intersection with Johnson St, then east on Johnson St to its intersection with Founder Ave, then south on Founder Ave to its intersection with Central Ave, then west on Central Ave, becoming Blalock St, then west and north on Blalock St and the northerly extension of Blalock St to its intersection with College Ave then east on College Ave to the point of beginning.

Precinct 2-1 shall be the prior Precinct 2-1, less and except Precinct 2-1A as described herein.

E. Precinct 3-1 is divided to create Precincts 3-1 and 3-1A.

Polling Location: Precincts 3-1 and 3-1A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 3-1.

Precinct 3-1A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Mondy Rd and Madden Rd then south on Madden Rd, becoming CCC Rd, to its intersection with Mangham Rd then south on Mangham Rd to its intersection with the Lincoln Parish Boundary then west on the Lincoln Parish Boundary to its intersection with a Powerline near the intersection of the Dugdemona River and the Lincoln Parish Boundary then northeast on the Powerline to its intersection with Gahagan Rd then southeast on Gahagan Rd to its intersection with Madden Rd then southeast and south on Madden Rd to the point of beginning.

Precinct 3-1 shall be the prior Precinct 3-1, less and except Precinct 3-1A as described herein.

F. Precinct 4-5 is divided to create Precincts 4-5 and 4-5A

Polling Location: Precincts 4-5 and 4-5A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 4-5.

Precinct 4-5A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Bayou D'Arbonne and State Route 151 then southwest on State Route 151 to its intersection with State Route 146 then northwest and west on State Route 146 to its intersection with the Lincoln Parish Boundary then northeast on the Lincoln Parish Boundary to its intersection with Bayou D'Arbonne then east on the Bayou to the point of beginning.

Precinct 4-5 shall be the prior Precinct 4-5, less and except Precinct 4-5A as described herein.

G. Precinct 5-2 is divided to create Precincts 5-2 and 5-2A

Polling Location: Precincts 5-2 and 5-2A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 5-2.

Precinct 5-2A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Highway 33 and the Lincoln Parish Boundary then east then south on the Parish Boundary to its intersection with Highway 145 then southwest on Highway 145 to its intersection with Highway 822 then west on Highway 822 to its intersection with Highway 33 then northeast on Highway 33 to the point of beginning.

Precinct 5-2 shall be the prior Precinct 5-2, less and except Precinct 5-2A as described herein.

H. Precinct 6-1 is divided to create Precincts 6-1 and 6-1A.

Polling Location: Precincts 6-1 and 6-1A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 6-1

Precinct 6-1A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Interstate 20 and Chataqua Creek then south on Chataqua Creek to its intersection with South Service Road West then west on the Service Road to its intersection with James St then south on James St to its intersection with Cooktown Rd then east on Cooktown Rd to its intersection with Everett St then south on Everett St to its intersection with West Alabama Ave then west on West Alabama Ave to its intersection with Tech Dr then south on Tech Dr to its intersection with the Mid-South Railway then west on the Railway to its intersection with Scott Dr then north on Scott Dr to its intersection with West Alabama Ave then west on West Alabama Ave to its intersection with Cypress Creek then north on Cypress Creek to its intersection with Interstate 20 then east on Interstate 20 to the point of beginning.

Precinct 6-1 shall be the prior Precinct 6-1, less and except Precinct 6-1A as described herein.

I. Precinct 8-3 is divided to create Precincts 8-3 and 8-3A

Polling Location: Precincts 8-3 and 8-3A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 8-3

Precinct 8-3A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of East Maryland Ave and North Farmerville St then south on North Farmerville St to its intersection with Eugene Dr then east on Eugene Dr to its intersection with Center St then south on Center St to its intersection with E Georgia Ave, then west on E Georgia Ave to its intersection with Colvin Creek then north on Colvin Creek to its intersection with East Maryland Ave then east on East Maryland Ave to the point of beginning.

Precinct 8-3 shall be the prior Precinct 8-3, less and except Precinct 8-3A as described herein.

J. Precinct 11-2 is divided to create Precincts 11-2 and 11-2A.

Polling Location: Precincts 11-2 and 11-2A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 11-2

Precinct 11-2A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Works Rd and Highway 818 then south and west on Highway 818 to its intersection with Mondy Rd then

west on Mondy Rd to its intersection with Heard Rd then north on Heard Rd to its intersection with Works Rd then east on Works Rd to the point of beginning.

Precinct 11-2 shall be the prior Precinct 11-2, less and except Precinct 11-2A as described herein.

K. Precinct 11-3 is divided to create Precincts 11-3 and 11-3A

Polling Location: Precincts 11-3 and 11-3A shall have a consolidated polling location at the current polling location of 11-3

Precinct 11-3A is described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Martin Luther King Dr and South Farmerville St then south on South Farmerville St to its intersection with East Vaughn Ave then west on East Vaughn Ave to its intersection with South Vienna St then north on South Vienna St to its intersection with Mills Ave/Martin Luther King Dr then east on Mills Ave/Martin Luther King Dr to the point of beginning.

Precinct 11-3 shall be the prior Precinct 11-3, less and except Precinct 11-3A as described herein.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was introduced by Logan Hunt who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Milton Melton and after having been considered by sections, was adopted by sections and as a whole by the following Yea and Nay vote:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, the Ordinance was declared duly adopted this 10th day of May 2022.

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

The last item under new business was to discuss and take action on the revision of the employee leave policy. Mr. Postel stated that the employee leave policy needs to be updated to encourage the recruitment and retention of new employees. He noted that he was aware that some jurors had questions on the proposed policy and asked that jurors contact the administration office to discuss further. Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Theresa Wyatt, to table this item. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

President Durrett called on Treasurer Michael Sutton to give his monthly budget report.

Bill Jones was present to give a report from the Library Events Center Committee. Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to accept the report. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Durrett, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

President Durrett reported on the Joint Ambulance Service Committee. The jurors then heard reports from the department heads and the administrator. There being no further business to come before the jury the meeting was adjourned.

Doug Postel
Parish Administrator

Richard I. Durrett
Police Jury President