

Lincoln Parish Police Jury
Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 7:00 PM

**Library Events Center | 910 North Trenton Street, Ruston, LA 71270** 

# **AGENDA**

In compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations during this meeting should notify the Lincoln Parish Police Jury at 318-513-6200 at least three working days before the meeting.

#### **Call to Order**

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance** - Mr. Glenn Scriber

**Approval of Agenda** 

**Public Comment on Agenda Items** 

# **Minutes of Prior Meeting**

1. July 13, 2021

# **Committee Reports**

- 2. Park, Recreation and Tourism Committee
- 3. Personnel/Benefits Committee

# **Property Assessment Board of Review - 2021**

- 4. Convene Board of Review Set Public Hearing Dates (September 14, 2021; 7:00 PM)
- 5. Recess Board of Review Reconvene Police Jury

#### **New Business**

- 6. Adopt Resolution Re-Designating Polling Place Locations
- Adopt Resolution Authorizing President to Enter Into Contract With Strategic Demographics, LLC for Services Pertaining to Reapportionment
- 8. Authorize the Advertisement for Bids for the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan Asphaltic Concrete Overlays
- 9. Approve Recommendations for Broadband Commission Appointments
- 10. Request for Assistance Town of Dubach

# **Budget Report** - Mrs. Laura Hartt

#### **Other Business**

- 11. Archery Range Report Mr. Glenn Scriber
- 12. Department Head Reports
- 13. Administrator's Report

Public Comment Adjourn TO: Lincoln Parish Police Jury

FROM: The Public Works Committee

SUBJECT: Committee Report

The Public Works Committee of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Third Floor, Lincoln Parish Courthouse, Tuesday, July 13,, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. Present were: Matt Pullin, Chair, T.J. Cranford, Logan Hunt, and Glenn Scriber.

ABSENT: Theresa Wyatt

Matt Pullin called the meeting to order and delivered the invocation.

Glenn Scriber offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, and Pullin

ABSENT: Wyatt

Mr. Pullin noted that there was no Old Business.

First item of New Business on the agenda was to accept bids for a Chip Spreader. Doug Postel, Parish Administrator, reminded the committee that the chip spreader will be an upgraded piece of equipment. The budget for the equipment was in the amount of \$350,000.00. After discussion, T.J. Cranford offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to recommend accepting the bid of \$348,973.00 from Doggett Machinery Services. After further discussion, the motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, and Pullin

**ABSENT: Wyatt** 

Next item on the agenda was to discuss and take action on animal control ordinance. Mr. Postel explained that the proposed ordinance was a combination of the existing animal control ordinance that needed to be updated and the vicious dog ordinance. Rob Sasser, Lincoln Parish Animal Control was present for discussion and questions. After discussion, Glenn Scriber offered a motion, seconded by T.J. Cranford, to approve the revisions of the animal control ordinance as printed.

Chapter 4

#### **ANIMALS AND FOWL**

Item #1.

Art. I. In General, §§ 4-1 – 4-15 Art. II. Dogs, §§ 4-16 – 4-28 Div. 1. Generally, §§ 4-16 – 4-25 Div. 2. Rabies Vaccination, §§ 4-26 – 4-28

#### **ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL**

# Sec. 4-1. Ownership.

All animals, legally owned by citizens of this state and by citizens of other states, that are located in the Parish of Lincoln, are declared to be personal property of such citizens. Owners of stated animals shall be liable for the actions of their animal.

# Sec. 4-2. Animals roaming at large.

No person shall allow any animal in his or her possession, or kept on his or her premises, to run at large on any unenclosed land, or trespass upon any enclosed or unenclosed lands of another.

# Sec. 4-3. Impounding and disposition of strays.

Any citizen, law enforcement officer, or governmental appointee may seize any animal found unaccompanied by its owner or keeper and running at large on any road, street, or other public place, or trespassing on any premises other than the premises of the owner. If the animal is wearing a collar showing the name, address, phone number of its owner, or micro-chipped, it shall be impounded, and the citizen or officer seizing the animal shall notify the owner. If the animal is seized by a citizen, and the owner cannot be identified, he or she shall notify animal control immediately. The owner of the animal shall, within 7 days of notification, claim the animal and pay any fees incurred in the holding of the animal. The citizen may notify animal control to hold or surrender the animal. If the animal is unclaimed or has no owner identification, then the animal will be considered a stray and allowed for adoption or euthanized in a humane way.

# Sec. 4-4. Fines and penalties.

Any owner allowing their animal to run at large shall be fined as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> offense: \$150.00 2<sup>nd</sup> offense: \$250.00

3<sup>rd</sup> offense: \$500.00 and/or 30 days in jail with mandatory surrender of the

animal

# Sec. 4-5. Tethering.

Any tethered animals should be in an area free of any obstruction that could inhibit freedom of movement. Tethered animals should have a separate collar with owner's name, address, and/phone number. Tethered livestock should no be further than 100 feet from paddock. For dogs, the tether should be of sufficient strength to contain the animal without being so heavy as to inhibit freedom of movement. Tether length should be a minimum of three times the length of the dog when measured from the tip of the nose to the base of the tail.

The penalty for violation of this section shall be fines as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> offense: \$150.00 2<sup>nd</sup> offense: \$250.00

3<sup>rd</sup> offense: \$500.00 and/or 30 days in jail with mandatory surrender of the

animal

# Secs. 4-6 – 4-15. Reserved.

#### **ARTICLE II. DOGS**

### DIVISION I. GENERALLY

# Sec. 4-16. Vicious dogs

The owner of any dog(s) that has attacked unprovoked, off the owner's property, any domesticated animal, shall be liable for any financial expenses related to the attack. The dog may be seized and held pending a determination of disposition and medical health. If the dog is seized, a bond hearing may be requested before the return of said dangerous dog to the owner. Dogs harassing livestock may be handled as per Louisiana Title 3: Sections 2651-2691. In the event of a dog(s) attacking a person, it shall be handled as per LA R.S. 14:39 and 14:102.18. Fines shall be as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> offense: \$500 and/or 30 days in jail

2<sup>nd</sup> offense: \$500 and/or 30 days in jail and mandatory surrender of the dog

# Sec. 4-17. Exception(s)

Specifically, nothing in this ordinance shall prevent any citizen of this state from lawfully using a hunting or working dog provided the dog is accompanied by the owner or keeper.

### Secs. 4-18 – 4-25. Reserved.

**DIVISION 2. RABIES VACCINATION** 

# Sec. 4-26. Required.

Every person owning or possessing a dog shall cause each said dog to be vaccinated against rabies by a veterinarian licensed in the state per Louisiana Administrative Code - Title 51. (Ord. No. 171, §§ 1, 2, 4, 3-4-35)

# Sec. 4-27. Tag.

- (a) Upon vaccinating a dog against rabies the veterinarian shall supply the person obtaining the vaccination with a numbered metal tag showing that the dog has been vaccinated.
- (b) The owner or possessor of a dog shall cause a valid dog tag issued for said dog to be attached to the dog at all times.
- (c) No person shall change or cause to be changed such metal tag from one dog to another dog. (Ord. NO. 171, §§4-6,8, 3-4-35)
- (d) The penalty for violation of this section shall be fines as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> offense: \$25.00 2<sup>nd</sup> offense: \$50.00 3<sup>rd</sup> offense: \$100.00

# Sec. 4-28. Records of veterinarians.

A veterinarian administering rabies vaccine to a dog shall record in a register book or electronic register the tag number assigned to each dog, the date of vaccination, a description of the dog, and the name of the owner and/or possessor thereof. (Ord 171, § 2, 3-4-35)

The motion carried with the following votes:		
YEAS: Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, and Pullin		
ABSENT: Wyatt		
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.		
Doug Postel Parish Administrator	Matt Pullin Chair	_

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury entered into a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comments regarding the millage rates and the proposed resolution to roll the millage rates forward on Tuesday, July 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Present were: Hazel Hunter, District Two; Richard 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; Annette Straughter, District Twelve. ABSENT: Theresa Wyatt, District One.

President Richard Durrett stated that three millage rates are eligible for roll forward: General Alimony, Parish Road and Bridge Construction, Parish Road and Maintenance. The total increase revenue to this roll forward millage rate is \$30, 241.00 of that amount \$21,615 for Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Durrett then opened the floor for public comments regarding the millage rates and the proposed resolution to roll the millage rates forward.

Skip Russell asked about dollar amount per person, per year. Mr. Durrett stated it was less than one dollar per person and then closed the public hearing with no other comments.

Richard Durrett called the regular Police Jury meeting to order and Logan Hunt delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hazel Hunter offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**ABSENT: Wyatt** 

Richard Durrett called for public comment on agenda items. There were none.

Next item on the agenda was approval of minutes for June 8, 2021. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Glenn Scriber, to approve the minutes as printed. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**ABSENT: Wyatt** 

Next item on the agenda was committee reports, Matt Pullin stated that the Public Works Committee met on this day at 6:30 p.m. and the Committee reports and recommends:

- 1. Accept the bids on a chip spreader from Doggett Machinery Services for \$348,973.00.
- 2. Approving revision of the Animal Control ordinance.

Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to accept the report and approve the recommendations of the Public Works Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Wyatt

Next item on the agenda was to consider and review adjusting and levying tax millage rates for 2021. Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Joe Henderson, to adopt an resolution adjusting and levying tax millage rates for 2021.

# RESOLUTION NO. 21-24

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury of the Parish of Lincoln, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on July 13, 2021, 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 **adjusted** millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2021, for the purpose of raising revenue:

# **MILLAGE**

For General Parish Purposes (General Alimony Tax) on all taxable property inside the corporate limits of the City of Ruston, Louisiana	1.67 mills
For General Parish Purposes (General Alimony Tax) on all taxable property outside the corporate limits of the City of Ruston, Louisiana	3.35 mills
For the Construction, Improvement and/or Hard Surfacing of Public Roads and Bridges In Lincoln Parish, Louisiana	4.39 mills
For the Maintenance and/or Improvements of Public Roads and Bridges Throughout Lincoln Parish, Louisiana	4.39 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Lincoln, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2021 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

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

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAINED
Theresa Wyatt			X	
Hazel Hunter	<u>X</u>			
Richard Durrett	X			
T.J. Cranford	X			
Logan Hunt	X			
Glenn Scriber	X			
Matt Pullin	X			
Skip Russell	X			
Joe Henderson	X			
Milton Melton	X			
Sharyon Mayfield	X			
Annette Straughter	X			

Next item on the agenda to consider setting forth adjusted millage rates and rolling forward millages not to exceed maximum authorized millages for 2021. Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to adopt a resolution setting forth adjusted millage rates and rolling forward millages not to exceed maximum authorized millages for 2021.

# RESOLUTION NO. 21-25

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury of the Parish of Lincoln, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on July 13, 2021, 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 taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2021, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

Adjusted Rate	<u>202</u>	1 Levy
For General Parish Purposes (General Alimony Tax) on all taxable property inside the corporate limits of the City of Ruston, Louisiana	1.67 mills	1.68 mills
For General Parish Purposes (General Alimony Tax) on all taxable property outside the corporate limits of the City of Ruston, Louisiana	3.35 mills	3.37 mills

For the Construction, Improvement and/or Hard Surfacing of Public Roads and Bridges in Lincoln Parish, Louisiana	4.39 mills	4.41 mills
For the Maintenance and/or Improvements of Public Roads and Bridges Throughout Lincoln Parish, Louisiana	4.39 mills	4.41 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Lincoln, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2021 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by no less than two-thirds of the total membership of the taxing authority voting in favor as required by Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B). The votes were:

MEMBER Theresa Wyatt	YEA	NAY	ABSENT <b>X</b>	ABSTAINED
Hazel Hunter	X			
Richard Durrett	X			
T.J. Cranford		X		
Logan Hunt	X			
Glenn Scriber	X			
Matt Pullin	X			
Skip Russell	X			
Joe Henderson	X			
Milton Melton	X			
Sharyon Mayfield	X			
Annette Straughter	X			

Next item on the agenda was to revise Resolution 21-21 creating the Lincoln Parish Broadband Commission to include two at-large members and adding term limits of 3 years. Doug Postel, Parish Administrator, noted that it was recommended to include at-large members to the commission who have broadband expertise. After discussion, Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to approve the revision of Resolution 21-21, to include two at-large members and adding term limits of 3 years. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Wyatt

Next item on the agenda was to discuss and take action if necessary, treasurer position. President Richard Durrett read the following statement:

"At the present time, it is recommended that the Jury not fill the position of full-time Parish Treasurer. The Jury will continue to contract with Laura Hartt on an hourly basis as an Internal Auditor. It is recommended that the Jury approve a new position of Financial Manager. This individual will handle the majority of the daily financial management of the Jury. The job description will be subject to approval under New Business. The Administrator will continue to serve as the Interim Treasurer. In addition, it is recommended that the Jury contract for outsourcing of payroll services. This will be handled under New Business. This statement does not require Jury action."

After discussion, no action was taken.

Next item on the agenda was to approve job description for financial manager position. After discussion, Skip Russell offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to approve the job description for the financial manager position. The motion carried with the following votes:

Item #1.

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

ABSENT: Wyatt

Next item on the agenda was to authorize outsourcing of payroll services. After discussion, Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to authorize outsourcing of payroll services. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**ABSENT: Wyatt** 

Next item on the agenda was to consider appointment of Mr. Shannon Reeves, Sr. to the Ruston Lincoln Convention and Visitors Bureau to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Marc Newman through December 31, 2022. Joe Henderson offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to appoint Mr. Shannon Reeves, Sr. to the Ruston Lincoln Convention and Visitors Bureau through December 31, 2022.

### Resolution No. 2021-26

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this 13th day of July, 2021 that

# Mr. Shannon Reeves, Sr.

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Lincoln Parish Convention and Visitor's Bureau
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,
For the term of July 13, 2021 – December 31, 2022
Signed and Sealed this 13th day of July, 2021
LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/ Doug Postel/s/ Richard I. DurrettDoug PostelRichard I. DurrettParish AdministratorPresident

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**ABSENT: Wyatt** 

Next item on the agenda was the adoption of ordinance for sale of Adjudicated Property Parcel No. 21184321025. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to adopt an ordinance for sale of Adjudicated Property Parcel No. 21184321025.

# ORDINANCE NO. <u>455-21-0</u>

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AN ACT OF SALE BY THE PARISH OF LINCOLN TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS PARCEL 21184321025: NINETY (90) FEET OFF AND ACROSS THE ENTIRE SOUTH SIDE OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND: BEGINNING TWENTY (20) FEET, SOUTH OF THE SOUTHWEST (SW) CORNER OF BLOCK "K", ACCORDING TO THE ORIGINAL PLAT OF THE TOWN OF SIMSBORO, LOUISIANA, AND RUNNING THENCE SOUTH TWO HUNDRED TEN (210) FEET THENCE EAST ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) FEET, THENCE NORTH TWO HUNDRED TEN (210) FEET, THENCE WEST ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SITUATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4), SECTION TWENTY-ONE (21), TOWNSHIP EIGHTEEN (18) NORTH, RANGE FOUR (4) WEST, LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA, TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS SITUATED ON THE SAID NINETY (90) FEET. BEING THE IDENTICAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY BASCOM B. RUSSELL, JR. FROM HUMBLE OIL REFINING COMPANY BY ACT FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT IN AND FOR LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA, UNDER FILE

NUMBER C-47113 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 103, PAGE 166, OF CONVEYANCE RECORDS OF LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA, 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 THER MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO

**WHEREAS**, the immovable property described below was adjudicated to the Parish of Lincoln on May 24, 2004, for nonpayment of taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the three (3) year period for redemption provided by Art. 7, §25 of the Louisiana Constitution has elapsed, as well as the five (5) year period, established by Parish Ordinance No: 337-14-(0) 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 \$6,666.66 and

**WHEREAS**, the Parish of Lincoln has received a written offer to purchase said property from <u>Donald White</u> for the consideration of \$15,000.00, 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 July 12, 2021 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 #21184321025, having a municipal address of 2696 Martha Street, Simsboro, Louisiana, and more fully described as:

NINETY (90) FEET OFF AND ACROSS THE ENTIRE SOUTH SIDE OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND: BEGINNING TWENTY (20) FEET, SOUTH OF THE SOUTHWEST (SW) CORNER OF BLOCK "K", ACCORDING TO THE ORIGINAL PLAT OF THE TOWN OF SIMSBORO, LOUISIANA, AND RUNNING THENCE SOUTH TWO HUNDRED TEN (210) FEET THENCE EAST ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) FEET, THENCE NORTH TWO HUNDRED TEN (210) FEET, THENCE WEST ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SITUATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 14) OF SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 14), SECTION TWENTY-ONE (21), TOWNSHIP EIGHTEEN (18) NORTH, RANGE FOUR (4) WEST, LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA, TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS SITUATED ON THE SAID NINETY (90) FEET. BEING THE IDENTICAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY BASCOM B. RUSSELL, JR. FROM HUMBLE OIL REFINING COMPANY BY ACT FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT IN AND FOR LINCOLN PARISH, LOUIANA, UNDER FILE NUMBER C-47113 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 103, PAGE 166, OF CONVEYANCE RECORDS OF LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA

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

ABSENT: Wyatt

Next item on the agenda was to authorize president to execute and file application with LADOTD for aid and assistance for the H.E.L.P Agency. Doug Postel, Parish Administrator, stated that this funding will help with the agency's vans. After discussion, Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter, to authorize the president to execute and file application with LADOTD for aid and assistance. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**ABSENT: Wyatt** 

Next item on the agenda was a LGAP resolution for submittal of application for North Chatham Road Area Sewer District and Blueberry Hills Treatment Plants. Joe Henderson offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to authorize a LGAP resolution for submittal of application for North Chatham Road Area Sewer District and Blueberry Hills Sewer DistrictTreatment Plants.

# **RESOLUTION 21-27**

# **LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY**

The following Resolution was offered by <u>Joe Henderson</u>, who moved for its adoption at the normally scheduled council meeting of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this date, <u>July 13</u>, 2021.

"WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury has need for rehabilitation/repairs to the exterior coatings of the North Chatham Road Area Sewage District Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Blueberry Hills Sewage District Wastewater Treatment Plant; 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 2020-2021 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 Doug Postel, Administrator, 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 <u>Annette Straughter</u> and by affirmative vote of  $\underline{11}$  to  $\underline{0}$ , <u>with one absent</u> was declared adopted by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury this  $\underline{13}^{th}$  day of  $\underline{July}$ , 2021.

/s/ Richard I Durrett\_

Richard I. Durrett, President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Wyatt

Next item on the agenda was to adopt a resolution in support of the library millage.

### **Resolution 21-28**

WHEREAS, an election will be held October 9, 2021 for the renewal of a 4.49 mil property tax for 10 years to provide funds for equipment, supplies, maintenance, operation, construction, and support of the Lincoln Parish Library; and,

WHEREAS, this millage has not increased in the last twenty-five years; and,

WHEREAS, said revenues generated by the 4.49 mil tax constitute 97% of the library's total budget; and,

WHEREAS, the library provides daily library services 7 days a week, 66 hours a week through a branch and outreach van; a book collection of over 110,700 volumes and over 5,200 current magazines and newspapers in stock; approximately 22,600 DVDs and Blu Rays as well as 7,100 audio books; digital access to movies, music, books and audio books totaling over 1,000,000 items; access to 39 digital databases for literacy, education, and research as well as in house reference and information assistance and telephone and online messaging reference services; story times, crafts, and STEAM programming for children and teens; summer reading programs and year-long reading challenges for all ages; senior citizen, assisted living, day care and home bound outreach services; young adult collections and reading spaces; interlibrary loan through which library materials are borrowed from other libraries for Lincoln Parish Library patrons (member of Trail Blazer Library System and Green Gold Library System); 45 public use computers; 20 mobile internet hot spots for checkout; special collections including a fully equipped genealogy department and an extensive large print collection; 5 public access study rooms and a large community meeting space as well as a full scale rentable event facility which can host over 1,000 attendees.

WHEREAS, the library will cease to function without the renewal of this millage since the library has no alternative funds for operation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, convened in regular session this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021, that it does hereby and herewith support the renewal of a 4.49 mil property tax for 10 years to provide funds for equipment, supplies, maintenance, operation, construction, and support of the Lincoln Parish Library.

/s/ Richard I Durrett
Richard I. Durrett, President

After discussion, Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to adopt a resolution in support of the library millage. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**ABSENT: Wyatt** 

Next item on the agenda was the budget reports. Mrs. Laura Hartt gave a budget to actual comparison report on the General Fund and additional major funds.

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Next items on the agenda were the Detention Center Expansion, Administrators and Department Head Reports.				
With no other business to come before the jury, the meeting was adjourned.				
Doug Postel Parish Administrator	Richard I. Durrett Parish President			

# **RESOLUTION 21-**

AN RESOLUTION OF THE PARISH OF LINCOLN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, REDESIGNATING ALL THE POLLING PLACES IN VOTING PRECINCTS OF LINCOLN PARISH LOUISIANA.

#### SECTION I.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana in special session convened on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021, that the voting precincts of the various polling places of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, shall be located, established, and described as follows:

#### **VOTING LOCATION**

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New Precinct	New Voting Location
1-1	Grambling Town Hall
1-2	Mt. Olive Fire Station
1-3	McClane Recreation Center
2-1	Grambling Town Hall
2-2	I A Lewis School
3-1	Simsoro High School
3-2	Greenwood Clubhouse
3-3	Simsoro High School
3-4	Nobles School Fire Station
3-5	Vienna Town Hall
3-6	Greenwood Clubhouse
4-1	Dubach Town Hall
4-2	Dubach Fire Station
4-3	Mineral Springs Fire Station
4-4	Colvin Memorial
4-5	Hico Fire Station
4-6	Mineral Springs Fire Station
5-1	Choudrant High School
5-2	Sibley Fire Station
5-3	Chandler Road Fire Station
5-4	Choudrant High School
6-1	Glenview Elementary
6-2	Glenview Elementary
6-3	Glenview Elementary

7-1	Hillcrest Elementary
7-2	Hillcrest Elementary
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8-1	Ruston Civic Center
8-2	Chandler Road Fire Station
8-3	Ruston Civic Center
8-4	McClane Recreation Center
9-1	LP School Board Media Center
9-2	LP School Board Media Center
9-3	McClane Recreation Center
9-4	LP School Board Media Center
9-5	LP School Board Media Center
10-1	Ruston Public Works Complex
10-2	Ruston Public Works Complex
10-3	Ruston Public Works Complex
10-4	Greenwood Recreation Center
10-5	Greenwood Recreation Center
11-1	I A Lewis School
11-2	I A Lewis School
11-3	I A Lewis School
11-4	Catherine's Dance Studio
12-1	Luffey Catholic Life Center
12-2	Luffey Catholic Life Center
12-3	Luffey Catholic Life Center
12-4	Luffey Catholic Life Center
12-5	Luffey Catholic Life Center
12-6	Luffey Catholic Life Center

### **SECTION II.**

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause and/or phrase of this Resolution or the application thereof is declared unconstitutional, unenforceable or invalid by the valid judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction such unconstitutionality, unenforceability or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and/or phrases of this Resolution, since the same would have been enacted by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury without the incorporation in this Resolution of any such unconstitutional, unenforceable or invalid section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase. To this end, the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared severable.

# SECTION III.

All other Resolutions, or any parts thereof, which are in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

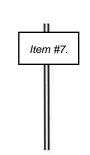
# SECTION IV.

That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon promulgation.

	SECTION V.	
adoption. The motion was seconded by	ution was introduced by who moved it and after having been considered b as a whole by the following Yea and Nay vote:	
YEA: NAY: ABSENT:		
WHEREUPON, the Resolution was	declared duly adopted this 10 <sup>th</sup> day of August 2021.	
Doug Postel Parish Administrator	Richard I. Durrett Parish President	

# Strategic Demographics, LLC

PD Box 44385, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804 225-806-2142



April 23, 2021

Mr. Doug Postel 100 West Texas Avenue Ruston, LA 71270

RE: Redistricting After the 2020 Decennial Census

Dear Mr. Postel:

As you are likely aware, the Federal Decennial Census has come to a close. Louisiana will receive its 2020 Census numbers in the Fall of 2021. After the 2010 Census, Redistricting, LLC, including both myself and Dannie Garrett, assisted your jurisdiction the successful adoption of a redistricting plan that met the requirements of State and Federal law and the United States Constitution. For the 2020 Redistricting cycle, Mr. Garrett and I have reorganized our efforts as Strategic Demographics, LLC.

For the 2020 redistricting cycle, there have been some changes to the process of adopting a new redistricting plan, and we are prepared to guide your jurisdiction through another successful redistricting process. To that end, we request that the consideration of a Resolution engaging Strategic Demographics, LLC be placed on an agenda, in accordance with the Contract proposal attached hereto. Either I or Mr. Garrett will gladly attend the meeting and attempt to answer any questions that you, other members, or the public have regarding the process and our extensive collective experience.

Sincerely,

William Blair, PhD Managing Member

#### Item #7.

#### CONTRACT FOR DEOMGRAPHIC SERVICES

The parties hereto are Strategic Demographics, LLC, ("Contractor") and the Lincoln Parish Police Jury ("Client").

The term "jurisdiction" as used herein shall mean the electoral jurisdiction of the Client. The term "member" shall mean the elected member of the governing authority of the Client.

#### **PURPOSE**

The purposes of this contract are for Contractor to provide reapportionment and redistricting services to the Client for the development of the reapportionment/redistricting plan for the Client following the 2020 Federal Decennial Census.

#### SCOPE OF WORK

Contractor shall provide the following:

- 1. Obtain and input the appropriate census geography and PL 94-171 population data into the GIS redistricting system
- 2. Verify the correctness of the census geography and assignments of population data
- 3. Construct a plan using the present districts and present these findings to the governing authority of the Client, to be referenced as the Benchmark Report
- 4. Obtain and download a copy of the registered voter totals, by precinct
- 5. Select and input selected election returns as determined necessary by Contractor
- 6. Collect and input the incumbent member precincts of residence (location where each jurisdiction member is registered to vote)
- 7. Interview each incumbent member of the governing authority of the Client to obtain their input
- 8. Produce maps and reports, including statistical analysis of each plan, as provided for herein
- 9. Participate in public hearings called by the governing authority of the Client, as requested.
- 10. Make general redistricting presentation to the governing authority of the Client
- 11. Propose procedures and guidelines to be followed in the redistricting process
- 12. Evaluate specified outside plans and make reports to the governing authority of the Client as directed
- 13. Final plan selection
- 14. Draft resolution or ordinance of final plan for adoption by the governing authority of the Client

#### **TERM**

The term of this contract shall commence upon the release of the 2020 Federal Decennial Census data applicable to the jurisdiction and shall terminate after the consideration for adoption of an introduced reapportionment/redistricting plan by the Client, except as otherwise provided herein.

#### **COMPENSATION**

The Base Fee for to be paid by the Client to the Contractor shall be \$16,000.00, payable in two installments, as follows:

50% is payable within 30 days of written notice to the Client by Contractor that Contractor has produced and provided the Benchmark Report.

50% is payable within 30 days of the presentation of a final reapportionment or redistricting plan ordinance or resolution to the Client. For this purpose, if there are multiple proposed plans introduced, the introduction of the first shall commence the 30 days to payment.

In the event that the Benchmark Report indicates that the existing election districts are within the get ltem #7. acceptable deviation parameters and Client directs Contractor not to produce and submit a new districting plan for the jurisdiction, the total compensation shall be \$4,000.00, payable within 30 days of vote in which Client decided to direct contractor not to produce and submit a new districting plan.

Nothing herein is understood to condition payment on the adoption of a plan by the Client.

The Base Fee shall include the items set forth in the Scope of Work, however, with regard to maps, electronic versions of any size MAP requested, two (2) 13x19 sized printed maps of each district and an E-sized printed map of the parish-wide plan shall be provided to each member at no additional cost; however, additional printed maps shall be subject to the following fee schedule:

a.	Small maps, letter or legal sized	\$ 2.00
b.	13x19 maps	\$ 7.00
c.	E-sized maps	\$75.00

Any charges in excess of the Base Fee shall be payable within 30 days of submission of an invoice by Contractor to Client.

#### IDENTICAL PLAN DISCOUNT

In the event the Police Jury and the School Board both engage the Contractor and adopt identical plans, the Client shall be entitled to a discount of \$3000.

### PRECLEARANCE UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT

Following the United States Supreme Court decision in Shelby County vs. Holder, there is not currently an obligation to obtain preclearance of the redistricting plan under the Voting Rights Act. As such, preparation, submission and follow-up to preclearance is not included in the Scope of Work provided for herein. In the event that there is a subsequent change in state or federal law or jurisprudence that creates an obligation to obtain preclearance under the Voting Rights Act, Contractor will prepare and submit the adopted redistricting plan for preclearance and will provide such follow-up communications with the Client and the authority performing the preclearance evaluation. This additional work shall entitle the Contract to additional compensation in the amount of \$4,000.00, payable within 30 days of receipt of the preclearance determination from the appropriate authority.

#### LEGAL SERVICES DISCLAIMER

The parties hereby agree that this Contract is NOT A CONTRACT for legal services. In the event that the redistricting plan adopted is the subject of a litigation effort, Contractor will cooperate with the Client's legal counsel. However, any effort to engage Contractor as an expert in such litigation will be subject to a separate contract between the parties.

Strategic Demographics, LLC, acting herein through its Managing Member, William Blair PO Box 44385

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Dated: January 15, 2021

Lincoln Parish Police Jury Acting herein through its duly authorized officer, Mr. Doug Postel 100 West Texas Avenue

Ruston, LA 71270

Dated:

#### RESOLUTION

Resolution of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury authorizing and directing the President to execute a contract with Strategic Demographics, LLC to provide reapportionment and redistricting services to the Lincoln Parish Police Jury.

**WHEREFORE**, Pursuant to the United States Constitution and federal law, there is conducted a decennial census of the population of the United States;

**WHEREFORE**, the most recent federal decennial census was conducted in 2020 and the results thereof will be released in 2021:

**WHEREFORE**, Louisiana law mandates that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury consider the impact of the federal decennial census on its election districts to determine whether the relative populations of those election districts are in accordance with the principals of one person one vote set forth in the United States Constitution;

**WHEREFORE**, in order to accomplish this obligation, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury requires the assistance of professionals in demographics, reapportionment and redistricting;

**WHEREFORE**, Strategic Demographics, LLC, through its principals and subcontractors has extensive experience in demographics, reapportionment and redistricting, including experience following the 2000 and 2010 census;

**WHEREFORE**, Strategic Demographics, LLC has submitted a proposed Contract for Demographic Services, a copy of which is attached hereto;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury authorizes and directs its duly elected President to execute the Contract for Demographic Services with Strategic Demographics, LLC.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury authorizes and directs the administrative staff to take all actions necessary to carry out the Contract for Demographic Services with Strategic Demographics, LLC;

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury directs the Secretary to forward an executed copy of this Resolution and the attached Contract for Demographics Services to Strategic Demographic, LLC.

# Lincoln Parish Broadband Commission

### **Entity**

# **Recommended Appointee**

Lincoln Parish Sheriff Stephen Williams

Lincoln Parish School Board Superintendent Ricky Durrett

Rural private or charter schools (1) Gordon Ford

President of Grambling State University Rick Gallot\*

President of Louisiana Tech University Tom Hoover (designee)

Rural healthcare providers (1) Jackie White

Grambling Chamber of Commerce (1) Daphne Gallot

Mayor of the City of Ruston Dusty Hampton (designee)

Lincoln Parish Police Jury (1) Skip Russell

Rural Lincoln Parish municipality mayors (1) Sybil Foster

Agriculture industry (1) Clark Canterbury

Forestry industry (1) Brandon Ewing

Rural utility providers (1) Claiborne Electric Rep TBA\*

Minority business owners (1) Delores Wilkerson Smith

Faith-based organizations (1) Maurice White

At-Large Richard Pyles

At-Large Craig Jones

\*not yet confirmed



Mayor

Mona Wilson

June 24, 2021

Town Council

Mary Billberry Angela Dunn Evelyn Graham Christopher Moerbe Monique Roberts

Lincoln Parish Police Jury 100 West Texas Ave #301 Ruston, La 71270

Dear Sir,

The town of Dubach is in need of a ditch on Oak Street, south side, to be cleaned for drainage issues. Several of our townspeople have been complaining about the drainage and we trust that you will get back with us on a time as to when you are able to take care of this.

Thank you for your time and we appreciate your helping keep Dubach beautiful.

Sincerely,

Mona Wilson

Mayor of Dubach