

Drainage Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, February 8, 2023  
4:25 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Jamie Ponville, Chairman; Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Myron Matherne, Mr. Leroy Blanchard.  
Committee member recorded as absent was: Mr. Chris Carter.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Michael Dias.
2. Chairman Jamie Ponville recognized committee member Chris Carter, who stated that he met with Mr. Jessie Robertson relative to the erosion problem at 4512 Hwy 1 Outfall. He stated that Mr. Robinson informed him that the Police Jury installed the bulkhead and cables years ago. He then stated that the Parish Manager, the Parish Engineer and Juror Michael Dias are aware of the matter. He further stated that something needs to be done because Mr. Robinson's property is being washed away really bad. In response, Police Juror Michael Dias stated that he is aware of the erosion but the right of way with Elm Hall Trinity is blocking any further work. The Parish Manager stated that the outfall belongs to Trinity, Dugas & LeBlanc and it is eroding. He stated that he's not sure of the property line location but the Parish Engineer submitted a cost of \$85,000 for 170 ft. of bulkhead and fill material. In response, committee member Chris Carter stated that the Police Jury installed the bulkhead and is responsible. He requested that the Parish Manager and Parish Engineer go out and inspect the problem and draft a plan. In response, the ADA stated that he would need documentation showing that the Parish was involved in the project and what was done before agreeing to the Parish going on the property.
3. Police Juror Jeff Naquin entered the meeting at this time.
4. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$1,530 for St. Elizabeth Church Culvert Replacement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$5,630 for Guillot St. Outfall Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve \$400 for Hue St. Levee Repair Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$1,100 for Verda & Wade St. Catchbasin Installation Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
8. Chairman Jamie Ponville recognized the Assistant Parish Manager, who stated that the 22 pumps that were purchased through hazardous mitigation has had continuous problems. He stated that he received quotes totaling \$90,000 to pull the pumps and make the necessary repairs. He stated that 14 of the 22 pumps have major issues therefore, he would like to revisit the matter and request quotes to repair all 22 or purchase replacement pumps. He then recommended that they pull a few pumps at a time and make the necessary repairs. A brief discussion was then held regarding which direction to take relative to the pumps. Committee member Leroy Blanchard suggested that the Assistant Parish Manager identify the pumps and their locations so the same project is not being funded more than once. Following a brief discussion, the Assistant Parish Manager stated that he will have documentation relative to the pumps for the next meeting.
9. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Drainage Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Jamie Ponville  
Drainage Committee Chairman

Finance Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, February 8, 2023  
4:35 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Chairman; Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Myron Matherne. Committee member recorded as absent was: Mr. Patrick Johnson. Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Jamie Ponville.
2. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee approve payment of the list of bills submitted through February 3, 2023." The motion was unanimously adopted.
3. Chairman Patrick Johnson recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that this proposal to allow the Accountant to work over allowed k-time to prepare for the audit was requested last year and the leave was taken which caused the back log to exist again. Therefore, she is requesting that the Accountant be allowed to work over for audit preparation and be compensated for the k-time hours instead of taking the time off.
4. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the committee authorize the Accountant to work over allowed k-time limit to get prepared for the 2022 audit and authorize compensation." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Chairman Leroy Blanchard recognized the Assistant Parish Manager, who provided two (2) cost estimates for the purchase of a drainage pump for Ward 3 with GOMESA funds. He stated that he did everything possible to make sure the current pumps could not be reusable. He then recommended that the Jury purchase two (2) new pumps, panels and motors at a cost of \$47,312. Chairman Leroy Blanchard stated that it's possible but he still needs clarification of what's in the scope of the current projects that has already been allocated. In response, Police Juror Irving Comeaux stated that the district's funds are limited to operations, utilities and maintenance. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated his reason for his questioning is because the Jury came up with \$1.5 million total projects and only projects made the allocation list. He stated that over \$900,000 didn't make the list. He further stated that 7 pumps, 1 natural gas engine, Bertrandville Outfall Canal Cleaning, Belle Rose Lane Drainage Canal Improvements. He further stated that he would like the Jury to get a handle on the allocations so we know what's left over before adding the additional pumps. The Secretary-Treasurer presented the committee with the projects and balances; non-bond issue is \$434,000 and bond issue is \$625,000. A brief discussion was held regarding what was done for Rue De Cajun and other projects that were included. Following the discussion, the committee agreed to purchase the pumps for Ward 3 from the non-bond issue GOMESA funds.
6. Committee member Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the committee approve \$47,312 for the purchase of 2 pumps for Ward 3 from GOMESA non-bond." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. A brief discussion was held regarding the bid process and the vendors for low lift pumps. It was stated that the bid is on the web and all vendors can submit a quote.
8. The Assistant Parish Manager stated that he received a retention cost of \$5,000 for the dozer so they agreed to bring it back to the yard and use it until it fails. He then stated that the cost of a new dozer with air-cab is \$131,891.50. He explained the need for an air-cab.
9. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the committee approve the low bid of \$131,891.50 for the purchase of a Dozer with cab." The motion was unanimously adopted.
10. The Assistant Parish Manager then stated that he and the Parish Manager have considered getting a smaller excavator but after much consideration, they agreed to a 75 or 80. He stated that this size would benefit the Parish in more ways and on the 08 excavator the maintenance cost is exceeding the value of the equipment. The Parish Manager added that they also have a 2013 and are spending money on repairs. He stated that the prices are on State Bid. He stated that a 145 is the largest the present equipment can transport. He added that they could rent anything larger when needed. The Assistant Parish Manager explained the pros of renting larger equipment when needed. In response, the Parish Manager stated that they were working on a maintenance program for all equipment. Committee member Chris Carter stated that Bertrandville Outfall Canal Cleaning is out for bids. Chairman Leroy Blanchard stated that he will have Mr. Savoie and the Assistant Parish Manager get together to provide answers before the next meeting.

11. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the committee approve the cost of \$104,086.12 to purchase an excavator with dozer blades." The motion was unanimously adopted.
12. Chairman Leroy Blanchard stated that the Parish can't move on modifying the allocations regarding GOMESA funds until an answer is received regarding the other projects for the \$1,500,000. He stated that Savoie Engineering has the projects on the list that was sent but there were no estimates to match up the numbers. He proceeded to review that the funding from Capital Outlay was increased to \$667,000 and the match was provided through GOMESA. He then stated that a separate allocation of \$1.7 million for ring levee system for Wards 7,8, & 9. He stated that the original notes indicated that the allocation was for Wards 4,7,8 & 9 but some of that work has been done. He further stated that the projects to be separated for RFQ purposes. He stated that the Jury does not have good estimates and a running tally is needed. In response, the Secretary-Treasurer stated that what she provided is a running tally and a resolution approving these projects and amounts were adopted. A brief discussion was held regarding the projects and what can be removed. The committee agreed to remove the Waterway Debris Removal Project from the list. The Secretary-Treasurer reminded the committee that they have 1 ½ yrs. to expend the funds.
13. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee approve the removal of Waterway Debris Removal from the GOMESA non-bond fund." The motion was unanimously adopted.
14. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Irving Comeaux, "THAT, the committee authorize the President to sign the purchase agreement with Arcement Equipment Corporation for the purchase of land adjacent to the Marais Park." The motion was unanimously adopted.
15. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the committee approve the OHSEP Director to attend the APCO/NENA 911 conference in Marksville on April 17-19, 2023 at a cost of \$800." The motion was unanimously adopted.
16. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee approve for the OHSEP staff (3) to attend the Louisiana Emergency Management Conference (LEMC) in Lake Charles on May 8-11, 2023 at a cost of \$800 per person." The motion was unanimously adopted.
17. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Irving Comeaux, "THAT, the committee approve and accept the highest bid for the old, unusable vehicles and equipment of \$2,277.77 for the 1992 Gradal Excavator and \$927.27 for the 2004 F150 pickup truck." The motion was unanimously adopted.
18. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Leroy Blanchard  
Finance Committee Chairman

Personnel Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, February 8, 2023  
5:00 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Michael Dias, Chairman; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Leroy Blanchard.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Myron Matherne.
2. Chairman Michael Dias recognized the Assistant Parish Manager, who requested that the discussion by Mr. Paul Hebert be tabled.
3. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Personnel Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Michael Dias  
Personnel Committee Chairman

Road & Bridge Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, February 8, 2023  
5:05 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Chairman, Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Myron Matherne, Mr. Leroy Blanchard. Other Police Juror recorded as present was: Mr. Jeff Naquin.
2. Chairman Ron Alcorn recognized the Flood Plain Manager, IT Specialist, who stated that he is presenting for review Genevieve St. He stated that the speed bumps are supposed to be 250 ft. from a street intersection and existing traffic control device but a resident is requesting an additional speed bump within that distance. Following a brief discussion regarding the number of signatures, the committee agreed that the Flood Plain Manager, IT Specialist get 2/3 of the signatures indicating the variance. The committee agreed to table the request.
3. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, there is no further business to come before the Road & Bridge Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Ron Alcorn, Chairman  
Road & Bridge Committee

Solid Waste Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, February 8, 2023  
5:10 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Chairman; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Myron Matherne, Mr. Leroy Blanchard.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Mr. Jamie Ponville.
2. Chairman Jeff Naquin recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that the annual CPI rate adjustment is a required rate increase by the Department of Labor. She also stated that the surcharge requested is \$.33 which is triggered and can be reduced. In response, Police Juror Jamie Ponville stated that they can't charge a \$.33 per mile rate because this is regulated by the Public Service Commission and should be a percentage. In response, the Secretary-Treasurer stated that the CPI increase of \$.13 per household per month will remain in place.
3. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the committee approve the Annual CPI rate adjustment with Waste Depot, \$.13 per household." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. A discussion was held regarding the fuel surcharge adjustment with Waste Depot of \$.33 per mile. Following the discussion, the committee authorized the Secretary-Treasurer to further look into the requirement and report back at the next meeting.
5. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve tabling the fuel surcharge adjustment with Waste Depot." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Solid Waste Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Jeff Naquin, Chairman  
Solid Waste Committee

Engineering/Grants Committee Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, February 8, 2023  
5:20 O clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Irving Comeaux, Chairman; Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Jamie Ponville.  
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Myron Matherne.
2. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the Grants Coordinator, who stated that the Police Jury has been awarded the Keep Louisiana Beautiful Trash Receptacle Grant for Gilbert Dupaty Park. He stated that it includes 10 trash receptacles and plaques. In addition to the installation process, the Energy Assistance Grant will begin in the next two (2) weeks which is being carried out by MM Energy Solution. They are providing LED lights and fixtures for the Public Works Office and LSU Ag center. He then stated that he has been working on a running grant list which is separated into three (3) different categories (grants awarded, grants in review and grants in application phase). He stated that under each category there is the budget, the match, funding source and status. Committee member Ron Alcorn requested that he continue to follow up on the written language to apply for various grants and the match and provide in writing. He thanked the Grants Coordinator for getting the Keep Louisiana Beautiful grant and suggested that he coordinate with the Parish Manager and staff to assist with the removal and assembly of the receptacles. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that calls have been received regarding larger trash receptacles and she asked the Grants Coordinator to seek a grant for dumpsters. Committee member Ron Alcorn also informed the committee that Assumption Parish was 1 of 97 municipalities throughout the State of Louisiana that was awarded this grant. He further stated that Keep Louisiana Beautiful has a great plan in place to try and get other parishes involved in the participation process. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that the list is so that the Grants Coordinator can stay on target with what he is and should be doing and she asked that the Jury review the list as well and if something doesn't seem right to please notify him. Committee member Leroy Blanchard requested that available grants be added to the list. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that when reviewing the grants and review stage the source for the match needs to be identified. In response to the match for the Public Works building, she stated that she would need to check and report back but would think that the Building Fund would not sustain a \$300,000 match.
3. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized Jacob Loeske, GIS Engineering, who stated that the master plan is in the final stages. He stated that they have all the projects prioritized and are looking at the LWI round 2 that is opening soon. He stated that the update on the Cane River Canal Project with DSP (Design System Program) is that everything is looking good; the scope of the project was accepted and they are reviewing the cost estimates for reasonability. They will then present the estimate to OCD for review and write a CEA between the Parish and OCD by mid-March. In response, he confirmed that LWI doesn't require a match. Mr. Loeske then stated that the Capital Outlay two (2) projects were contested but they went through.
4. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve a resolution approving and authorizing the President to sign the RFPs for the authorized signature form for the Community Water Enrichment Fund and the Local Government Assistance Program and authorize and approve Kim M. Torres to certify the signatures." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the Police Jury President to sign the 2021-2022 LGAP Contract for the Courthouse Renovations Project in the amount of \$100,000." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the OHSEP Director, who stated that the CEA with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) was discussed previously and the Jury had some concerns. He stated that concerns were expressed regarding the workers compensation insurance and addendum #2 regarding rates and employees are on call basis. He also stated that he quoted rates from the employee manual in accordance with their current salary. In response to how will the Jury handle if an event has to be cancelled, the committee agreed that the language be added to the APCC rental contract.
7. Committee member Michael Das offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve the CEA with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Rental Rate Agreement relative to the Special Needs Shelter at APCC and add language relative to cancelled events to the APCC rental contract." The motion was unanimously adopted.
8. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized committee member Ron Alcorn, who stated that Police Juror Patrick Johnson wants to apply for the TAP Grant for the pedestrians/bicycles and sidewalks in Ward 4 from the intersection of Hwy 400 and Back Marais Lane to Marais Park. He stated that he didn't have the linear footage and it requires a 5% match. Committee member

Leroy Blanchard stated that Wards 1 and 7 are applying for the same program and he and the Grants Coordinator were given the value of the project they are looking to fund. He stated that preliminary approval can be granted until the actual estimate is given so the match amount can be determined. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that the maximum for the TAP Grant is \$1.5 million and the match would be \$75,000. In response, committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that any project that exceeded the \$1.5 million would be funded in phases. He then requested that the committee consider tabling items 6-7 until the estimates are received. He also stated that the Jury needs to decide if the projects were going to be combined or applied for separately. Committee member Ron Alcorn stated that it was recommended that instead of placing in one project, the Jury should consider applying for them individually/separately. Mr. Loeske informed the committee that the engineering for these projects applies towards the 5% match. Following a brief discussion, committee member Jeff Naquin suggested that items 6-7 be tabled. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that a resolution is needed for each project and will be placed on the next agenda.

9. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve the Parish Engineer to obtain lanier footage and cost estimates for all applications submitted under the TAP grant." The motion was adopted with Jamie Ponville voting nay.
10. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized committee member Ron Alcorn, who stated that applying for the Raise Grant is a great opportunity to get the following bridges (Bayou Bouef Rd., Aristile Rd., Rue De Kajun and Vertical Left Bridge for Pierre Part) repaired instead of utilizing the ½% Road Fund. He also requested that authorization be given to the Parish Engineer to obtain cost estimates. A brief discussion was then held regarding the match as well as the deadline date.
11. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the Grants Coordinator to apply for the Raise Grant for the following bridges: Bayou Bouef Rd., Aristile Rd., Rue De Kajun, Vertical Lift Bridge for Pierre Part Bayou and authorize the Parish Engineer to obtain cost estimates." The motion was adopted with Jamie Ponville voting nay.
12. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the Parish Engineer, who stated that he has no further updates on the Lee Drive Project. He stated that he will receive bids on February 28, 2023. He has been contacted by three (3) asphalt contractors showing interest in the project. He stated that the plans are done electronically on line.
13. The Parish Engineer stated that he has the completed set of plans for the Ring Levees in Upper Pierre Part Project. He has made adjustments as per Mr. Ponville's request with expansions. The plans were completed prior to the end of the year therefore, he is requesting that the Police Jury appoint some type of committee to make review and final approval of plans before issuance of final permitting and bidding so they don't overlap. A brief discussion was then held regarding the specifications meeting federal guidelines. Police Juror Myron Matherne expressed concerns regarding Ward 9 levees.
14. Committee member Ron Alcorn stated that there are so many frustrations before the Jury due to everyone making a single request to the Parish Engineer without the full Jury's approval. Therefore, he suggest that all work that needs an engineering firm's attention be approved by the full jury. Committee member Leroy Blanchard requested that the Parish Engineer and the Assistant Parish Manager meet to draft an update on the scope of work for all projects he has in his office so everyone would be on one accord and the GOMESA list can be updated. In response, the Parish Engineer stated that he and the Assistant Parish Manager will meet on tomorrow. Chairman Irving Comeaux commented on his project relative to the walking trail lights and asked if the Parish Engineer was overloaded with work. In response, the Parish Engineer stated that he would have the plans submitted to Chairman Irving Comeaux's home.
15. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the Police Jury approve all projects before submittal to the Parish Engineer." The motion was unanimously adopted.
16. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized committee member Leroy Blanchard, who stated that he and the Flood Plain Manager attended a meeting in Terrebonne Parish relative to the CPRA draft master plan. He stated that there are two (2) projects in the plan that affect Assumption Parish (Amelia Levee Improvement which includes the Bayou Boeuf structure and the Diversion of the Atchafalaya River Water through the intercoastal of the Terrebonne Marsh). He stated that they were informed that the project positions were expected to be flipped and they are aware that the Parish is getting the engineering started and CPRA is pushing it through the Capital Outlay. They will also assist the Parish with getting the projects in the order they should be. He also stated that updates were given on restoration projects and he informed them that Assumption Parish was still in the hurricane protection phase. He further stated that the master plan will be released in March.
17. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that he didn't have the scope of the work for the GOMESA Levee Improvement Project but he would like to approve the RFQ. He stated that this



would be the Ring Levee System for Wards 7, 8 & 9 and the Levee Improvements in Wards 4,7,8 & 9. He also stated the Jury needs to identify the engineering company that will be assisting and once the RFQ is done, we can have the scope of work ready for GOMESA.

18. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve the RFQ for GOMESA Levee Improvement Project in Wards 4,7,8 & 9." The motion was unanimously adopted.

19. Committee member Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Engineering/Grants Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Irving Comeaux, Chairman  
Engineering/Grants Committee

Regular Meeting  
Of the  
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, February 8, 2023  
6:00 O'clock p.m.

1. The Regular Meeting of the Assumption Parish Police Jury was called to order by Police Jury President Leroy Blanchard in the Assumption Parish Police Jury Chambers located at 4813 Highway 1, Napoleonville, Louisiana.
2. Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Ward 1; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Ward 3; Mr. Patrick Johnson, Ward 4; Mr. Michael Dias, Ward 5; M. Leroy Blanchard, Ward 7; Mr. Jamie Ponville, Ward 8 and Mr. Myron Matherne, Ward 9.  
Police Jurors recorded as absent were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Ward 2, Mr. Chris Carter, Ward 6.
3. President Leroy Blanchard led the Prayer and Police Juror Chris Carter led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
4. President Leroy Blanchard requested comments, questions or concerns regarding any item on the agenda. Following three (3) calls, there were no comments received.
5. President Leroy Blanchard recognized Drainage Committee Chairman Jamie Ponville, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters; discussed the erosion problems at 4512 Hwy 1 and requested documentation indicating the Parish performed work at that location be presented, \$1,530 for St. Elizabeth Church Culvert Replacement Project, \$5,630 for Guillot St. Outfall Project, \$400 for Hue St. Levee Repair Project, \$1,100 for Verda & Wade St. Catchbasin Installation Project, authorized the purchase of a drainage pump and requested a cost estimate to repair the pumps purchased with Hazardous Mitigation funds.
6. Police Juror Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Drainage Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. President Leroy Blanchard stated that the Finance Committee met and recommended the following matters: payment of bills submitted through February 3, 2023, authorized the accountant to work over the allowed K-time limit to prepared for the 2022 audit and authorize payment, authorized the purchase of two (2) drainage pumps for Ward 3 in the amount of \$47,312 ea. with GOMESA non-bonds funds, a dozer in the amount of \$131,891.50 with GOMESA non-bond funds, authorized the President to sign the purchase agreement with Arcement Equipment Corporation for the purchase of land adjacent to Marais Park, authorized the OHSEP Director to attend the APCO/NENA 911 conference in Marksville on April 17-19, 2023 at a cost of \$800, 3 staff members of the OHSEP Department to attend the Louisiana Emergency Management Conference (LEMA) in Lake Charles on May 8-11, 2023 at a cost of \$800 each and accepted the highest bid for the old unusable vehicles and equipment \$2,277.77 for the 1992 Gradal Excavator and \$927.27 for the 2004 F150 pickup truck.
8. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Finance Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
9. President Leroy Blanchard recognized Personnel Committee Chairman Michael Dias, who stated that the committee met and recommended to table the discussion regarding merit raise process.
10. Police Juror Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Personnel Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.
11. President Leroy Blanchard recognized Road & Bridge Committee Chairman Ron Alcorn, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matter: that the Flood Plain Manager get 2/3 of the signatures indicating and agreeing to the variance from the 250 ft. from a street intersection and existing traffic control device on Genevieve St.
12. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Road & Bridge Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.
13. President Leroy Blanchard recognized Solid Waste Committee Chairman Jeff Naquin, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following; Annual CPI Rate Adjustment with Waste Depot \$.13 per household and authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to look further into Fuel Surcharge Adjustment with Waste Depot.
14. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Solid Waste Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted.

15. President Leroy Blanchard recognized Engineering/Grants Committee Chairman Irving Comeaux, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters: received an update from the Grants Coordinator, GIS Engineering, adopted resolution and authorized the President to sign the RFPs for the authorized signature form for the Community Water Enrichment Fund and the Local Government Assistance Program and authorized and approved Kim M. Torres to certify the signatures, authorized the Police Jury President to sign the 2021-2022 LGAP Contract for the Courthouse Renovations Project in the amount of \$100,000, the CEA with Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Rental Rate Agreement relative to the Special Needs Shelter at APCC, authorized the Parish Engineer to obtain lanier footage and cost estimates for all applications submitted under the TAP (Transportation Alternative Program), approved application for the Raise Grant for Bayou Bouef Rd., Aristile Rd., Rue De Kajun, Vertical Lift Bridge for Pierre Part Bayou bridges and authorized the Parish Engineer to obtain cost estimates, received an update on the Lee Drive Project, on the ring levees in upper Pierre Part, CPRA 2023 draft master plan, RFQ's for GOMESA Levee Improvement Project and to authorize the Police Jury to approve all projects.
16. Police Juror Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Engineering/Grants Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
17. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Council on Aging agreement between the Department of Transportation and Development and the Assumption Parish Police Jury for the purpose of providing financial assistance for Public Transportation in non-urbanized areas of the Parish." The motion was unanimously adopted.
18. President Leroy Blanchard recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that she received an application from the AHS FFA requesting a 50% reduction in rental rate for their upcoming rodeo in April. A brief discussion was then held regarding who will be benefiting from the proceeds, another agency (insurance) being involved and last years profit. Following the discussion, the Police Jury agreed to the reduction.
19. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve a 50% reduction in rental rate for the AHS FFA Rodeo in April." The motion was unanimously adopted.
20. President Leroy Blanchard recognized Police Juror Michael Dias, who recommended Mr. Ernie Blanchard as the member to be appointed to the Bayou Lafourche Freshwater District to replace Scott LeBlanc. He then requested that a copy of the resolution be sent to the Governor's Office.
21. Police Juror Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve and appoint Ernie Blanchard as a member to the Bayou Lafourche Freshwater District." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
22. President Leroy Blanchard recognized Police Juror Jeff Naquin, who requested approval for a light at 2631 Hwy 1 and stated that it's in the Consolidated Road Lighting District. He stated that the engineering study and permit will be done. Police Juror Irving Comeaux requested that a light at the corner of Ryder Lane and Hwy 1010 be added to the request.
23. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Irving Comeaux, "THAT, the Police Jury approve a light at 2631 Hwy 1 and the corner of Ryder Lane & Hwy 1010." The motion was unanimously adopted.
24. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the revisions (adding Patrick Johnson to Economic Development, Engineering and Personnel to the 2023 List of Committees" The motion was unanimously adopted.
25. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Irving Comeaux, "THAT, the Police Jury approve adoption of ordinance 23-04 levying grass cutting charges." The motion was unanimously adopted.
26. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the Police Jury approve an occupational license for Clarity Power Washing, LLC and REM Electrical LLC." The motion was unanimously adopted.
27. Police Juror Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve a liquor license application for St. Elizabeth School and Allon Manger Food Festival." The motion was unanimously adopted.
28. Police Juror Jeff Naquin announced the Labadieville Parade would be rolling on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 1 p.m.

29. Police Juror Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Assumption Parish Police Jury, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Leroy Blanchard  
President

On a motion by Mr. Michael Dias, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby nominate Mr. Ernie Blanchard (Resume attached) to serve as a board member of the Bayou Lafourche Freshwater District to replace Mr. Scott LeBlanc.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8

Nays: 0

Absent: Patrick Johnson

On a motion by Mr. Ron Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the Federal Programs Accountant to work additional hours earning K-time over the 240 hr. limit for Audit Prep work ONLY and to be compensated for excess over the 240 hr. limit.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson

On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the President to sign the RFPs for the Community Water Enrichment Fund and the Local Government Assistance Program and authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to certify the signatures.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson

On a motion by Mr. Ron Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the use of Non-Bond GOMESA funds for the purchase of the following items under State Contract:

- Murial St. Pump, Panel & Motor \$ 23,656
- Elaine St. Pump, Panel & Motor \$ 23,656
- Case 650M Dozer \$131,892
- Case CX75C Excavator w/Dozer Blade \$104,086

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson



On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, the following resolution was adopted:

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize its Grants Coordinator, Leonard Ledet, to apply for the RAISE grant for the following bridges and request that the Parish Engineer provide cost estimates for repair and replacement:

- Bayou Bouef Rd.
- Aristile Rd.
- Rue De Kajun
- Vertical Lift Bridge for Pierre Part Bayou

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Grants Coordinator, Leonard Ledet, has advised that no match is required if the project is located within a distressed area and Assumption Parish meets that criteria.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson

On a motion by Mr. Myron Matherne, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize its President, Patrick Johnson, to sign the following for the Council on Aging:

- State Project No. 18-99-24 Public Transportation Capital Assistance Program for the Non-Urbanized Area of Assumption Parish, Louisiana (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 20.509)

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson

On a motion by Mr. Ron Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the President, Leroy Blanchard, to sign the purchase agreement for the purchase of property adjacent to Marais Park with Arcement Equipment Corporation.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8

Nays: 0

Absent: Patrick Johnson

On a motion by Mr. Jeff Naquin, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the CPI increase from Waste Depot, LLC in the amount of \$.13 increasing the rate from \$2.90 per household to \$3.03 per household to be effective January 1, 2023.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson

On a motion by Mr. Ron Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and accept the highest salvage bid for old, unusable vehicles and equipment from JJ Merchant as follows:

- 2004 Ford Pickup                      \$927.27
- 1992 Gradall Excavator              \$2,277.77

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas:            8  
Nays:            0  
Absent:        Patrick Johnson

On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize its President, Leroy Blanchard to sign the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Rental Agreement relative to the operation of a Special Needs Shelter at the Assumption Parish Community Center.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 8  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson

**ORDINANCE 23-04**

Upon a motion presented by Jeff Naquin, seconded by Irving Comeaux, the following ordinance was presented for adoption:

An Ordinance amending Ordinance **23-02** to authorize the levy of charges for grass Cutting as an assessment to be added to the annual Ad Valorem tax bill of the property involved and/or authorizing the placement of a lien on the property involved for non-payment of grass cutting charges in accordance with Assumption Parish Ordinance No. 89-04 as amended.

Be It Ordained by the Assumption Parish Police Jury, convened in Regular Session on this 8th day of February, 2023, that:

1. The following properties, identified by assessment numbers, located within the Parish of Assumption, be levied with the stated charges due plus thirty percent for collection fees for non-payment of grass cutting, and said charges shall become an assessment and form part of the ad valorem taxes due on said property by the owner and when collected shall be credited to the general fund of the parish.

Assessment	Owner's Name	Charges	15% Adm. 15 % Coll	Total
500054500	Barry P. Daigle	\$ 870.00	\$ 261.00	\$ 1131.00
700038250	Jaebre' Properties & Investments, LLC	\$ 220.00	\$ 66.00	\$ 286.00

Section 2. The Secretary-Treasurer of the Assumption Parish Police Jury is also hereby authorized and directed to file a special assessment against the subject property for the above charges if collection is not made as a result of action authorized in Section 1 above within 60 days. A certified copy of said special assessment shall be filed with the Clerk of Court of Assumption Parish, who shall forthwith record same in the Mortgage Records of said Parish. Such assessment when so filed and recorded shall operate as a lien and privilege against the property herein assessed, which lien and privilege shall rank from the date of filing of the assessment in the Mortgage Records of said Parish and shall prime all other claims, mortgages and liens, except taxes and prior recorded special assessment liens.

Section 3. If any section, clause, paragraph, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any other section, clause, paragraph, provision or portion of this ordinance, the Police Jury of the Parish of Assumption hereby expressly declaring that it would have passed the remaining portions of this Ordinance with the invalid portions omitted.

Section 4. Other ordinances or parts of ordinance in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 5. This ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Section 6. This ordinance, having been submitted in writing, having been read and adopted by sections at a public meeting of said Police Jury was then submitted to an official vote as a whole, then vote thereon being as follows:

Yeas: 8  
Nays: 0  
Absent: Patrick Johnson

The Ordinance was declared this 8th day of February, 2023.

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Kim M. Torres  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Leroy Blanchard  
President