

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Jack Beard Room of the Lincoln Parish Library, Ruston, Louisiana. Present were: Theresa Wyatt, District One; Hazel Hunter, District Two; Richard I. Durrett, District Three; TJ 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.

ABSENT: Annette Straughter, District Twelve

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

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

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Glenn Scriber offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter, to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2022 meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Doug Postel stated that the Health and Welfare Committee had met on November 3, 2022 to discuss updates on the Health Hub property. No action was taken at the meeting. Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to approve the minutes of the Health and Welfare meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Joe Henderson stated that the Personnel Committee met at 6:30 pm this date and the Committee recommended:

1. Appointing Dr. Tiffany Bates to the Northeast Delta Human Services Authority for a three-year term.
2. Appointing Mr. Tony Young to the Northeast Delta Human Services Authority for a three-year term.

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

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

ABSENT: Straughter

TJ Cranford stated that the Solid Waste Committee met at 6:45 this date to discuss the life of the Construction and Demolition Site and State Highway Cleanup, no action was taken at the meeting. He offered his report in the form of a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Mrs. Stephanie Miles was present to give an annual update on the Parish Enterprise agreement. No action was taken.

The next item on the agenda was to schedule a public hearing for the 2022 Amended and 2023 Proposed Budgets of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury and Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to set that public hearing for December 13, 2022, at 7:00 PM. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

The next two items on the agenda was the presentation of the North Louisiana Exhibition Center 2023 Proposed Budget and the Library 2023 Proposed Budget. No action was taken.

Item number eight on the Agenda was the consideration of an Investment Policy. Michael Sutton stated that there is currently no true policy adopted stating what the jury can invest in. Mrs. Wyatt stated that the way the policy is currently worded it takes the investment away from the jury and places it in the hands of the administrator and treasurer. She would like it to be written to include the Police Jury President and Finance Committee Chair, as well as administrator and treasurer, and pending the approval of the full police jury. After further discussion, TJ Cranford offered a motion, seconded by Joe Henderson, to defer this matter to the Finance Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Next on the agenda was to authorize the President to sign Amendment No. 3 for LCDBG HVAC Improvement Project to include additional work required for the Detention Center. Glenn Scriber offered a motion, seconded by Joe Henderson, to authorize the President to sign the amendment. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Skip Russell offered a motion, seconded by Joe Henderson, to adopt a resolution requesting DOTD Repair the outside lanes both eastbound and westbound of I-20 from Grambling to Bienville Parish line. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Joe Henderson offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Louisiana Government Assistance Program (LGAP) for Rehabilitation/Repairs to the Lift Stations of the North Chatham Road Area Sewage District and The Blueberry Hills Sewage District; to Authorize Richard I. Durrett Or Doug Postel to Sign The Application, Contract, Requests For Payment and any Other Required Documents; And to Authorize Michael Sutton to Serve as the Certifying Officer Attesting to the Signatures of Richard I. Durrett and Doug Postel as Authorized Signatories. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Matt Pullin, to Adopt a Resolution to Authorize The Submission of an Application to The Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) Program for the Repair of Select Water Mains and Valves Within The Mt. Olive Waterworks District; to Authorize Richard I. Durrett Or Doug Postel to Sign the Application, Contract, Requests For Payment and Any Other Required Documents; And to Authorize Michael Sutton to Serve as the Certifying Officer Attesting to the Signatures of Richard I. Durrett and Doug Postel as Authorized Signatories. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

ABSENT: Straughter

Treasurer Michael Sutton presented the budget report. The jurors then heard reports from the Department Heads and Administrator. The meeting was adjourned with no further business to come before the Jury.

Doug Postel
Parish Administrator

Richard I. Durrett
Police Jury President