The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Police Jury Meeting Room, 100 West Texas Avenue, Ruston, Louisiana. Present were: Greg Williams, District One; Karen Ludley, District Two; Dan Lord, District Three; T.J. Cranford, District Four; Logan Hunt, District Five; Glenn Scriber, District Six; Matt Pullin, District Seven; Milton Melton, District Ten; and Annette Straughter, District Twelve

ABSENT: Chris Garriga, District Eight; Joe Henderson, District Nine, and Diane Richards, District Eleven

President Scriber called the meeting to order and Matt Pullin delivered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton to approve the Agenda as printed. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

President Scriber called for Public Comments on Agenda Items. There were none.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to approve the Minutes of the May 13, 2025 regular meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Greg Williams reported that the Public Works Committee met this day at 5:30 PM and recommends the following:

- 1. Approving setting the speed limit on Rodgers Road at 45 MPH.
- 2. Approving setting the speed limit on Rabb Road at 45 MPH.
- 3. Authorizing advertisement for bids for 2025 hot mix overlays.
- 4. Authorizing advertisement for bids for maintenance hot mix.
- 5. Authorizing advertisement for bids for Rabb Road bridge replacement
- 6. Award the highest bids for surplus property and reject bids for items 18 and 19.
- 7. Approve providing aid to the following agencies:
  - Grubbing and clearing at Choudrant Elementary
  - Crossdrain replacement for the City of Ruston
  - Ditching for the City of Grambling

Greg Williams offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Next item on the Agenda was a Public Hearing to receive public comments on the abandonment of Holstead Road, Grover Road, Lester Road, and Skinner Road. Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter to open the Public Hearing. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

President Scriber called for comments from the public. Ms. Joyce Skinner Brazzel and Mr. Kenneth Brazzel were present to speak against the abandonment of Skinner Road.

There being no one else present to make comments, Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to close the Public Hearing.

Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to adopt a resolution providing for the abandonment of Holstead Road.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 25-25**

**WHEREAS**, a right-of-way servitude for a parish maintained road known as <u>Holstead Road</u> was dedicated for public use; and,

**WHEREAS**, Louisiana Revised Statute 48:701 provides, in part, that parish governing authorities of the state may revoke and set aside the dedication of all roads, streets, and alleyways laid out and dedicated to public use within their respective limits, when the roads, streets, and alleyways have been abandoned or are no longer needed for public purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish has properly advertised in the Official Journal and notified necessary property owners of their intention to abandon <u>Holstead Road</u>.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, convened in regular session this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025, that in accordance with the terms and provisions of LRS. 48:701, the dedication of the right-of-way servitude of <u>Holstead Road</u> is hereby revoked and set aside and shall revert to the present owner or owners of land contiguous thereto.

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber Glenn Scriber President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to adopt a resolution providing for the abandonment of Grover Road.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 25-26**

WHEREAS, a right-of-way servitude for a parish maintained road known as <u>Grover Road</u> was dedicated for public use; and,

**WHEREAS**, Louisiana Revised Statute 48:701 provides, in part, that parish governing authorities of the state may revoke and set aside the dedication of all roads, streets, and alleyways laid out and dedicated to public use within their respective limits, when the roads, streets, and alleyways have been abandoned or are no longer needed for public purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish has properly advertised in the Official Journal and notified necessary property owners of their intention to abandon <u>Grover Road</u>.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, convened in regular session this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025, that in accordance with the terms and provisions of LRS. 48:701, the dedication of the right-of-way servitude of <u>Grover Road</u> is hereby revoked and set aside and shall revert to the present owner or owners of land contiguous thereto.

<u>/s/ Courtney Hall</u> Courtney Hall Parish Administrator /s/ Glenn Scriber Glenn Scriber President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to adopt a resolution providing for the abandonment of Lester Road.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 25-27**

WHEREAS, a right-of-way servitude for a parish maintained road known as <u>Lester Road</u> was dedicated for public use; and,

**WHEREAS**, Louisiana Revised Statute 48:701 provides, in part, that parish governing authorities of the state may revoke and set aside the dedication of all roads, streets, and alleyways laid out and dedicated to public use within their respective limits, when the roads, streets, and alleyways have been abandoned or are no longer needed for public purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish has properly advertised in the Official Journal and notified necessary property owners of their intention to abandon <u>Lester Road</u>.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, convened in regular session this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025, that in accordance with the terms and provisions of LRS. 48:701, the dedication of the right-of-way servitude of <u>Lester Road</u> is hereby revoked and set aside and shall revert to the present owner or owners of land contiguous thereto.

<u>/s/ Courtney Hall</u> Courtney Hall Parish Administrator /s/ Glenn Scriber Glenn Scriber President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to table adopting a resolution providing for the abandonment of Skinner Road. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Karen Ludley offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to adopt an ordinance setting a 45 MPH speed limit on Rodgers Road.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 42-36

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 42, ARTICLE 1, OF THE LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO ADD A SECTION TO BE NUMBERED 42-36.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE POLICE JURY OF LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN REGULAR SESSION CONVENED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2025:

# **SECTION 1**

That the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Lincoln, State of Louisiana, be amended by adding a section to be number 42-36 to read as follows:

Sec. 42-36 Speed Limits- Rodgers Road

"No motor vehicle, as defined by Louisiana law, shall be operated at a speed in excess of 45 miles per hour on Rodgers Road."

**SECTION 2** 

That the limit of speed referred to hereinabove shall be duly posted and displayed by means of appropriate highway speed limit signs.

# SECTION 3

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

### **SECTION 4**

That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its promulgation.

<u>/s/ Courtney Hall</u> Courtney Hall Parish Administrator /s/ Glenn Scriber Glenn Scriber President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to adopt an ordinance setting a 45 MPH speed limit on Rabb Road.

# ORDINANCE NO. 42-37

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 42, ARTICLE 1, OF THE LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO ADD A SECTION TO BE NUMBERED 42-37.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE POLICE JURY OF LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN REGULAR SESSION CONVENED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2025:

#### **SECTION 1**

That the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Lincoln, State of Louisiana, be amended by adding a section to be number 42-37 to read as follows:

Sec. 42-37 Speed Limits- Rabb Road

"No motor vehicle, as defined by Louisiana law, shall be operated at a speed in excess of 45 miles per hour on Rabb Road."

SECTION 2

That the limit of speed referred to hereinabove shall be duly posted and displayed by means of appropriate highway speed limit signs.

# SECTION 3

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

# **SECTION 4**

That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its promulgation.

<u>/s/ Courtney Hall</u> Courtney Hall Parish Administrator /s/ Glenn Scriber Glenn Scriber President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to approve the Lincoln Parish Sales & Use Tax Commission 2025/26 Proposed Budget. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Next item on the Agenda was to authorize purchase of property at 203 S. Vienna Street, in the amount of \$265,000.00 and authorize the Administrator to execute any documents or take any action related thereto. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by T.J. Cranford, to authorize the purchase and associated actions. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to adopt the Ruston Daily Leader as the Official Journal. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter

Mr. Michael Sutton, Treasurer, gave the budget report.

Reports and Announcements were heard from the Administrator and Department Heads.

With no other business to come before the Jury, Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Williams, Ludley, Lord, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Melton, and Straughter