

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:00p.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; Chris Garriga, District Eight; Joe Henderson, District Nine; Milton Melton, District Ten; Diane Richards, District Eleven and Annette Straughter, District Twelve.

President Glenn Scriber called the meeting to order, and Dan Lord delivered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to amend the Agenda to add item #11, authorizing travel for highway department employees to attend diesel technician training in Dallas, Texas, from April 14-19th, 2024. The motion was voted on by roll call:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAINED
Greg Williams	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Karen Ludley	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Dan Lord	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
T.J. Cranford	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Logan Hunt	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Glenn Scriber	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Matt Pullin	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Chris Garriga	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Joe Henderson	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Milton Melton	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Diane Richards	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____
Annette Straughter	<u>XX</u>	_____	_____	_____

The vote was unanimous and the Agenda was amended.

Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Greg Williams, to approve the Agenda as amended. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

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

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Under Committee Reports, Chris Garriga stated that the Personnel and Benefits Committee met at 5:00 p.m., and the Committee recommends:

1. Approving the position of Animal Control/Code Enforcement Officer at a payrate of \$18.19 per hour and authorizing the Administrator to fill the position.
2. Appointing Mr. Thomas Patton, representing the Village of Choudrant, to the North Louisiana Exhibition Center Commission, filling the unexpired term of Ms. Dawn Moore, through June 14, 2026.
3. Appointing Dr. Amanda Norris to the Lincoln Parish Library Board of Control, filling the unexpired term of Ms. Amy Miller, through December 8, 2025.

Chris Garriga offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to approve the minutes of the Personnel and Benefits Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Greg Williams stated that the Public Works Committee met at 5:30 p.m. and the Committee recommends:

1. Approving the residential driveway/culvert application and requirements.
2. Tabling the request from Waterworks District No. 3
3. Authorizing advertisement for bids for hot mix.
4. Accepting the bid of Doggett Machinery services for the purchase of a used Track-type Crawler Tractor in the amount of \$195,000.00.

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

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

Logan Hunt stated that the Economic Development & Planning Committee met at 6:00 p.m. to hear a report from Mr. Justyn Dixon, President of the North Louisiana Economic Partnership on recent activities of the organization. No action was taken.

Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to approve the minutes of Economic Development & Planning Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

T.J. Cranford stated that the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee met at 6:30 p.m. and was updated by Ms. Amy Miller, Parish Legal Counsel, on litter abatement strategies. The Committee also discussed planning for the upcoming Love The Boot event. No action was taken.

T.J. Cranford offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to approve the minutes of the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Under appointments, Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to appoint Mr. Thomas Patton to the North Louisiana Exhibition Center Commission, filling the unexpired term of Ms. Dawn Moore, through June 14, 2026.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-36

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
9th day of April, 2024 that
Thomas Patton
Representing The Village of Choudrant
Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
North Louisiana Exhibition Center
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,
For the term of April 9, 2024 – June 14, 2026
Signed and Sealed this 9th day of April, 2024
LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY
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/s/Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to appoint Dr. Amanda Norris to the Lincoln Parish Library Board of Control, filling the unexpired term of Amy Miller, through December 8, 2025.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-37

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
9th day of April, 2024 that

Dr. Amanda Norris

Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Lincoln Parish Library Board of Control
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,

For the term of April 9, 2024 – December 8, 2025

Signed and Sealed this 9th day of April, 2024

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

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/s/Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Under Resolutions, Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Joe Henderson, to authorize the President to sign applications with the Louisiana DOTD for transportation grants and execute necessary certifications and assurances for FTA programs (H.E.L.P. Agency)

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 24-32

Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for a grant under any of the following FTA programs managed through Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

- 49 CFR 53 1 1, Formula Grant for Rural Areas
- 49 CFR 5339, Grants for Bus and Bus Facility Program
- State Project No. RU 18-31-25 Public Transportation Operating and Assistance Program

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation and Development is authorized to make grants for mass transportation projects;

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provisions by it of the local share of project costs;

WHEREAS, it is required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in accord with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the Applicant that minority business enterprise be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and that definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority businesses shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment, or consultant and other services:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Lincoln Parish Police Jury

1. That Glenn Scriber is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Lincoln Parish Police Jury with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, to aid in the financing of operating and/or capital assistance projects pursuant to FFA transit programs.
2. That Glenn Scriber is authorized to execute and file with such applications an assurance or any other document required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development effectuating the purposes of Title VI of- the Civil Rights Act of 1 964, as amended.
3. That Glenn Scriber is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development may require In connection with the application or financial reimbursement of the project.
4. That Glenn Scriber is authorized to set and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project’s procurement needs.
5. That Glenn Scriber is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of Lincoln Parish Police Jury with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for aid in the financing of the operating or capital assistance projects.
6. This resolution is applicable for a period of one year unless revoked by the governing body and copy of such revocation shall be furnished to the DOTD.

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Joe Henderson, to authorize Ronnie Dowling, H.E.L.P. Director, to execute FY 2024 Subgrant with the Louisiana Workforce Commission and to administer funds related thereto.

RESOLUTION 2024-33

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury convened in Regular Session this 9th day of April, 2024 does hereby authorize HELP Director Ronnie Dowling to Execute Subaward Grant Agreement with Louisiana Workforce Commission and Further Providing with Respect Thereto.

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to authorize the President to execute a multi-jurisdictional consortium agreement for carrying out programs and activities authorized by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

RESOLUTION 24-34

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury convened in Regular Session this 9th day of April 2024 does hereby authorize the Police Jury President, Glenn Scriber, to enter into a Multi-Jurisdictional Consortium Agreement with Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and further provide with respect thereto.

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to authorize the President to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the Lincoln Parish Police Jury for transportation plan development.

RESOLUTION 24-35

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury convened in Regular Session this 9th day of April, 2024 does hereby authorize the Police Jury President, Glenn Scriber, to execute the Memorandum of Understanding Between the State of Louisiana through the Department of Transportation and Development and the Lincoln Parish Police Jury For Parish Transportation Plan Development.

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Next item on the Agenda was to proclaim April 2024 as Fair Housing Month. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord to proclaim April 2024 as Fair Housing Month.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
Lincoln Parish Police Jury

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans – individually and collectively – to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination wherever it exists; and

WHEREAS, this law guarantees for each citizen that critical, personal element of freedom of choice – selection of the home, and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has passed by the State of Louisiana, and implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement and support of each of our citizens, and

WHEREAS, the department and agencies of the State of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens, and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen to freely choose a home will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; the Lincoln Parish Police Jury does hereby proclaim the month of April 2024 as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

In the Lincoln Parish Police Jury

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Parish Treasurer Michael Sutton presented the budget report.

Next item on the Agenda was to consider and take action, if necessary, authorizing Travel for Police Jury Association of Louisiana Legislative Day, April 30-May 1, 2024. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to authorize travel for Police Jury Association of Louisiana Legislative Day, April 30-May 1, 2024. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Next item on the Agenda was to consider and take action, if necessary, authorizing travel for Highway Department Employees to attend Diesel Technician Training, Dallas, Texas, April 14-19th, 2024. Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to authorize travel for Highway Department Employees. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Following various reports, President Scriber called for public comments. There were none.

There being no other business to come before the Jury, the meeting was adjourned.

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President