

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lincoln Parish Library Events Center, Ruston, Louisiana. Present were: Theresa Wyatt, District One; Hazel Hunter, District Two; Richard I. Durrett, District Three; T.J. Cranford, District Four; Logan Hunt, District Five; Glenn Scriber, District Six; Matt Pullin, District Seven; Skip Russell, District Eight; Milton Melton, District Ten; Sharyon Mayfield, District Eleven; and Annette Straughter, District Twelve.

ABSENT: Joe Henderson, District Nine

President Durrett called the meeting to order and Sharyon Mayfield delivered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to approve the agenda. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2022 meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson

Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2022 meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson

First on the Agenda was to hear Committee Reports. Annette Straughter stated that the Health and Welfare Services Committee met at 6:00 pm this day and the Committee recommends:

1. Entering into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City of Ruston for \$120,000.00 for 2022 and authorizing the formation of a joint ambulance service committee consisting of members from Simsboro, Grambling, Dubach, and Choudrant.
2. Approving the use of the CMAR process for the new health hub and HELP facilities and authorizing the president to appoint a selection committee.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to accept the report and approve the recommendations of the Health and Welfare Services Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson

Item four on the agenda was the Hospital Funds Report from Mr. Lucius McGehee. (Annette Straughter left the meeting.) Mr. McGehee gave a general overview of the funds for the calendar year 2021. No action was taken.

Ms. LaTonya Lacey was present to explain the updates to the current Covid-19 protocols. She stated that these updates were due to changes in CDC guidelines which the Jury had voted to follow at a previous meeting. After discussion Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to approve the updates to the Covid-19 protocols. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson and Straughter

Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Theresa Wyatt, to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-07

RESOLUTION OF ASSURANCE TO COMPLY WITH UNIFORM RELOCATION ASSISTANCE AND REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury anticipates obtaining Federal participation in transportation related projects for the fiscal year 2021-2022; and,

WHEREAS, it is essential for the Lincoln Parish Police Jury to provide the necessary assurances to Louisiana Department of Transportation's Real Estate Section that it will comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, as amended (Uniform Relocation Act) 42 U.S.C. 4601-4655, and with implementing Federal regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 24.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury assures that it will comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, as amended (Uniform Relocation Act) 42 U.S.C. 4601-4655, and with implementing Federal regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 24.

/s/ Richard I. Durrett
Richard I. Durrett
Lincoln Parish Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson and Straughter

Skip Russell offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter, to authorize assistance to the Village of Simsboro for the filling in of potholes on Cranford Street and at Braswell and Walnut Creek, contingent on the Highway Department schedule. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson and Straughter

Treasurer Michael Sutton presented the monthly budget report. He stated that all Local Agency Grants for the year 2022 had been paid. He informed the jurors of the 2020 census numbers and how these will affect the solid waste distributions. He also mentioned that Financial Disclosure Statements would be due by May 15, 2022 and that those forms would be provided in the coming months.

Under Department Reports, all Department Heads stated that they were on track with current projects. Administrator Doug Postel presented the RV Campground of the Year award to Park Director James Ramsaur. Juror Glenn Scriber gave a brief update on the Archery Tournament that was held at the park.

Mr. Postel stated in his Administrator's Report that the sign program was proceeding with no issues. He mentioned that the online permitting process would be presented to the jurors next month. He reminded the jurors that the Police Jury Association Conference would be held March 9-11, 2022 and that travel packets would be provided. During his report, he and Mr. Melton, presented Mr. Richard Durrett with an award for years of service for work on/with the Sparta Groundwater Conservation District.

One public comment was received under Public Comments. With no other business to come before the jury, the meeting was adjourned.

Doug Postel
Parish Administrator

Richard I. Durrett
Parish President