

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, September 8, 2026 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; Logan Hunt, District Five; Glenn Scriber, District Six; Chris Garriga, District Eight; Milton Melton, District Ten; Diane Richards, District Eleven, and Annette Straughter, District Twelve.

ABSENT: T.J. Cranford, District Four; Matt Pullin, District Seven; and Lynda Henderson, District Nine

President Scriber called the meeting to order and Greg Williams delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Scriber called for Public Comments on the Agenda as presented. There were none.

Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2026 Regular Meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Dan Lord reported that the Finance Committee met this day at 5:30 PM and recommends the following:

1. Taking under advisement all received 2027 Budget requests.

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to approve the minutes of the Finance Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Following a brief description of procedural requirements for conducting a Board of Review and holding the necessary Public Hearings for the tax assessment process for the year 2026, Milton Melton offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to recess the Police Jury meeting and convene as the Board of Review. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to open the Public Hearing. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Lincoln Parish Tax Assessor, Billy McBride indicated that no appeals had been submitted in accordance with the law.

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to close the Public Hearing. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Karen Ludley offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to certify the assessment list as prepared by the Tax Assessor to the Louisiana Tax Commission. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to adjourn the Board of Review and reconvene as the Police Jury. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Under New Business, Parish Administrator Courtney Hall indicated to the Jury that bids for the library renovations need to be delayed pending further information required from the bidders. Logan Hunt offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to table the item until further notice. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Under Resolutions, Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to adopt a resolution expressing condolences upon the passing of former Juror Charles H. Owens, III.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-40

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES OF THE LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY UPON THE PASSING OF FORMER JUROR CHARLES H. OWENS, III.

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury learned with profound sadness of the passing of Charles H. Owens, III, who served his community faithfully as the Police Juror for District 1 from 1984 to 2008, providing over 23 years of devoted public service to his constituents; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure, Mr. Owens served with excellence as the Vice-President of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury and lent his valuable leadership as the Chairman of the Public Works Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Owens worked tirelessly to build strong, collaborative relationships across various jurisdictional entities, always prioritizing fairness, integrity, and the elevation of his constituents; and

WHEREAS, his passing leaves a profound void in the hearts of his family, his colleagues, and the community he loved so deeply;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, convening in regular session, does hereby express its most profound sorrow, respect, and heartfelt condolences to the family of Charles H. Owens, III.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Jury formally recognizes and honors Mr. Owens' enduring legacy of quiet strength, public leadership, and unwavering commitment to the citizens of Lincoln Parish.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be presented to the family of Charles H. Owens, III as a permanent token of remembrance and appreciation from a grateful parish.

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Parish President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Next item on the Agenda was to adopt a resolution amending a resolution adopted on July 14, 2026 (No. 26-27). After discussion, Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to adopt the amended.

RESOLUTION 26-41

A resolution amending a resolution adopted on July 14, 2026, ordering and calling a special election to be held in Police Jury District 5, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, to submit to the qualified electors thereof certain local option propositions relative to the sale of alcoholic beverages, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the Police Jury of the Parish of Lincoln, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as governing authority of the Parish of Lincoln, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), adopted a resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Police Jury District 5, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana (the "District") on July 14, 2026 (the "Original Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the District includes (i) unincorporated areas, (ii) all of the incorporated municipality of Choudrant, and (iii) a portion of the incorporated municipality of Downsville; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority wishes to amend the Original Resolution to clarify certain provisions thereof as set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Lincoln, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Lincoln, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of the Original Resolution is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

"This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room, 100 West Texas Avenue, Ruston, Louisiana, on **TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2027, at 6:00 P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election, with separate determinations to be made according to votes within (i) the unincorporated areas of the District, (ii) the incorporated municipality of Choudrant located within the District, and (iii) the portion of the incorporated municipality of Downs ville located within the District."

SECTION 2. The revised form of Notice of Special Election, authorized to be published pursuant to Section 2 of the Original Resolution, shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately and such amendments shall be effective as if initially contained in the Original Resolution. The provisions of the Original Resolution shall remain in full force and effect except as specifically amended hereby.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

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

ABSENT: Cranford, Pullin, and Henderson

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 8th day of September, 2026.

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Parish President

Next item on the Agenda was to adopt a resolution authorizing the administrator to execute a Division Order with Nadel and Gussman Ruston, LLC. Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Chris Garriga, to adopt the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-42

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury is the owner of certain mineral interests located within Lincoln Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Nadel and Gussman Ruston, LLC has produced oil and/or gas from a well or wells in which the Lincoln Parish Police Jury holds an interest, and has submitted a Division Order verifying the Parish's decimal interest for the distribution of oil and/gas proceeds; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best financial interest of the citizens of Lincoln Parish that the governing authority execute said Division Order to receive the appropriate production revenues; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury desires to grant the administrative authority necessary to execute this document.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, Louisiana, convened in Regular Session on this 8th day of September, 2026, that the Parish Administrator be and is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, on behalf of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, to execute a Division Order with Nadel and Gussman Ruston, LLC, along with any and all associated documents necessary to facilitate the collection of mineral revenues.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any further certifications or property descriptions are required to finalize this Agreement, the Parish Administrator is fully authorized to provide them under the authority of this body.

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Parish President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Next item on the Agenda was to adopt a resolution authorizing filing of an application with Louisiana DOTD for a transportation grant and authorizing the president to execute any documents relative thereto. Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to authorize the action.

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 26-43

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 5311, Formula Grant for Rural Areas
- 49 CFR 5339, Grants for Bus and Bus Facility Program
- 49 CFR 5310, Formula Grants for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities

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 the Glenn Scriber, Parish President 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 FTA transit programs.
2. That Glenn Scriber, Parish President 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 1964, as amended.
3. That Glenn Scriber, Parish President 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, Parish President is authorized to set and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.
5. That Glenn Scriber, Parish President 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. That Glenn Scriber, Parish President is authorized to sign and submit financial activity reports on behalf of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for aid in the financing of the operating or capital assistance projects.

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.

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Parish President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Under Appointments, Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Dan Lord, to reappoint Mr. Kyle Warner, to the Greater Ward One Waterworks District for a five-year term.

Resolution No. 26-44

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish,
Louisiana, convened in Regular Session this
8th day of September, 2026 that
Mr. Kyle Warner
Is hereby and herewith appointed, COMMISSIONER
Greater Ward One Waterworks District
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana,
For the term of September 8, 2026 – September 8, 2031
Signed and Sealed this 8th day of September, 2026
LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY
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/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Glenn Scriber
Glenn Scriber
Parish President

The motion carried with the following votes:

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

Ms. Laura Hartt, Treasurer, gave the budget report.

Other Business and Reports were heard from the Administrator and Department Heads.

President Scriber called for Public Comments. Public comments were made by William Faulkner, Sandra Simpson, and Kim Dupree.

There being no further business to come before the Police Jury, Dan Lord offered a motion, seconded by Karen Ludley, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous, and the meeting was adjourned.

September 8, 2026

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Glenn Scriber
Police Jury President