

## RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY

### REGULAR SESSION JUNE 10, 2019

The Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Room of the Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray Street, Alexandria, Louisiana, on Monday, June 10, 2019, at three (3:00) o'clock p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Theodore Fountaine, Jr., President, Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Jr., Vice President and Police Jurors: Davron "Bubba" Moreau, Joe Bishop, Craig Smith, Richard Vanderlick, Sean McGlothlin, Richard Billings and Scott Perry, Jr.

Also present were Mr. Bruce Kelly, Treasurer; Mr. Dennis Woodward, Public Works Director; Mr. Shane Trapp, Courthouse Building Superintendent; Ms. Donna Andries, Sales & Use Tax Administrator; Chief Joseph Glorioso, Fire District No. 2; Ms. Sonya Wiley-Gremillion, OHSEP Director; Ms. Elaine Morace, WIA Operations Director; Ms. Linda Sanders, Civil Service Director; Mr. Greg Jones, Legal Counsel and Ms. Laurel Smith, Secretary.

The invocation was given by Mr. Dennis Woodward.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Ollie Overton.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the governing authority of said Parish by Hon. Theodore Fountaine, Jr., President, who welcomed all present and then stated that the Police Jury was ready for the first item of business.

The President asked if there was any public comment on any agenda item, to which there was no response.

The first item on the agenda was to recognize and present plaques to the Tioga High School Baseball Team for winning the 2019 LHSAA State Championship.

Mr. Bubba Moreau recognized the players and coaches and presented plaques.

Mr. Bubba Moreau then recognized and presented a plaque to Coach David Montiel, for receiving the 2019 All-Cenla Baseball Coach of the Year.

The President, Mr. Theodore Fountaine recognized Mr. Lewis Buzby, the new Esler Field Airport Manager.

Mr. Lewis Buzby introduced himself and gave a brief summary of the future plans for Esler Field Airport.

The next item on the agenda was to recognize Mr. Chauncey Hardy, Executive Director of Sickie Cell Anemia Research Foundation, Inc.

Mr. Chauncey Hardy, Executive Director of Sickle Cell Anemia Research Foundation, Inc., gave a brief statement about the Sickle Cell Anemia Research Foundation. Mr. Hardy stated that they had received funding from the Police Jury, a quarterly amount of \$2,750.00 and that amount was suspended sometime ago. He asked the Jury if they could reinstate the funding.

Mr. Bruce Kelly stated this was money that came out of Rapides Parish Health Unit Funds and stated Dr. David Holcombe, Director of the Health Unit, would like to continue these payments. Mr. Kelly stated that Dr. Holcombe had budgeted money for it this year.

Mr. Richard Billings questioned if there needed to be a motion for this, to which Mr. Fountaine stated we would place this on the agenda.

Mr. Fountaine recognized Mr. Charlton Northington, SMG, for an update on the Rapides Parish Coliseum.

Mr. Northington gave a recap of the events from the last month and upcoming events.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on May 13, 2019 as published in the Official Journal. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, that approved bills be paid. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton, to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Michael Grant to the Central Louisiana Regional Port Authority for a four (4) year term. Term will expire July 20, 2023. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, the following ordinance was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

## ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY TO SELL

TO NEW PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALEXANDRIA

FOR THE  
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WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria and/or the City of Pineville and/or Parish of Rapides owns property described as:

A certain piece, parcel or tract of land together with all buildings and Improvements thereon situated and all rights, way and privileges thereon appertaining, being, lying and situated in Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and being Part of Lot 12 of Square 24 of Race Track Addition to the City of Alexandria, Being 82 feet by 47.33 feet as

recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 151 of the records of Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

Municipal Address of the Property: 465 North 16th Street, Alexandria, LA

said property having been adjudicated to either of aforementioned Cities and/or the Parish for unpaid property taxes; and

WHEREAS, a request has been received from New Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church of Alexandria, to purchase said property for the consideration of \$1,000.00 cash, at the time of sale, said consideration representing the total of the statutory impositions, governmental liens, and costs of sale or two-thirds (2/3) of the appraised value of the property; and,

WHEREAS, this Jury is of the opinion that it would be in the public interest to convey the above-mentioned property to New Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church of Alexandria, for the offered consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Rapides Parish Police Jury that:

Section 1. A certain piece, parcel or tract of land together with all buildings and Improvements thereon situated and all rights, way and privileges thereon appertaining, being, lying and situated in Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and being Part of Lot 12 of Square 24 of Race Track Addition to the City of Alexandria, Being 82 feet by 47.33 feet as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 151 of the records of Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

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Section 2. The acquiring person shall certify, in writing, to the Purchasing Department that he/she or his/her agent has searched for all names and last known addresses of all owners, mortgages, and any other person(s) who may have a vested or contingent interest in the property, or who have filed a request for notice as indicated in those records and has so examined:

- the mortgage and conveyance records of Rapides Parish,
- the current telephone book,
- any other examination resources, including Internet search engines, if any, the records of the Louisiana Secretary of State and the Secretary of States set forth by the names of identified entities

Section 3. The acquiring person shall submit the required notifications (R.S. 47:2206 A and B) to the Civil Sheriff for his/her signature, and then notify those persons identified via regular mail, certified mail\*, publication and/or service of process. \*Copies of the "green and white receipts" should be maintained by the purchaser as indicia of compliance with the notice requirements;

Section 4. The acquiring person shall send a written notice notifying any tax sale party whose interest the successful bidder or donee intends to be terminated that

the party has until the later of the following to redeem the property or otherwise challenge in a court of competent jurisdiction the potential sale or donation:

- (a) Sixty days from the date of the notice provided in this Subsection, if five years have elapsed from the filing of the tax sale certificate (formerly “proces verbal”), or six months after the date of the notice provided for in this Subsection, if five years have not elapsed since the filing of the tax sale certificate (formerly “proces verbal”);
- (b) The filing of the sale or donation transferring the property.
- (c) The written notice required by this Section shall be that which is included in R.S. 47:2206 A. (2).

Section 5. The acquiring person shall cause to be published in the official journal of this parish (currently the Town Talk) a notice that any tax sale party whose interest the successful bidder or donee intends to be terminated has, to redeem the property, until the later of:

- (a) Sixty days, for property on which a tax sale certificate (formerly “proces verbal”) was filed over five years previous of the first publication, or six month if the tax sale certificate (formerly “proces verbal”) was filed less than five years before the first publication of the notice provided for in this Subsection.
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Section 7. At any time after the expiration of the sixty-day or six-month periods, as applicable, set forth in R.S. 47:2206 (A) and (B), the acquiring person, or his/her successors and assigns, may send to this body a written notice requesting that the sale/donation to him/her be authenticated. The President of the Jury shall authenticate the sale or donation within ten days from the date of the request or as soon thereafter as practical. However, the President shall not execute the act of cash sale or act of donation until the District Attorney’s office has certified in writing to the President, that purchaser or donee has complied with the mandates of this Ordinance. The sale price shall be paid by cashier’s check or money order at the time of the sale.

NOTE: The initial application fee of \$75.00 and any other costs incurred by the purchaser shall not be applied to the purchase price and shall not be refundable if the purchaser elects not to complete the process.

NOTE: The City of Alexandria and/or the City of Pineville and/or the Parish of Rapides shall reserve all oil, gas and other mineral rights in and to the property to be conveyed, but shall convey the surface rights of the said property.

Section 8. The acquiring person shall be responsible for filing the sale or donation and payment of all filing fees.

Section 9. The only warranty owed by the political subdivision or the municipalities shall be a warranty against eviction resulting from a prior alienation by the political subdivision or the municipality.

(a) All sales and donations shall be without warranty, either expressed or implied, even as to return or reduction of the purchase price, including without limitation the warranty against redhibitory defects or vices and the warranty that the thing sole is reasonable fit for its ordinary purpose or the acquiring person's intended or particular purpose.

(b) These waivers or exclusions of warranties shall be self-operative regardless of whether the waivers or exclusions are contained in the act of sale or donation, and regardless of whether they are clear and unambiguous, and regardless of whether they are brought to the attention of the acquiring person. This provision supersedes the requirements of any other law.

(c) The writing constituting the sale shall be in the form as provided in R.S. 47:2207 B. and the writing constituting the donation shall be that which is included in R.S. 47:2207 C.

Section 10. The provisions of R.S. 41:1338 shall not apply to the property being sold or donated in accordance with this Ordinance.

Section 11. A certified copy of the sale or donation shall be prima facie evidence of the regularity of all matters dealing with the sale or donation and the validity of the sale or donation.

Section 12. Contemporaneously with or subsequent to the filing of the sale or donation of adjudicated property, the acquiring person, his/her successors, or assigns, may file with the recorder of mortgages an affidavit indicating how the tax sale parties whose interest the acquiring person, his/her successors, or assigns, intends to be terminated were identified, how the address of each tax sale party was obtained, how the written notice was sent, the results of sending the written notice, and the dates of publication.

(a) The affidavit may also contain a statement of the interest to which the purchaser or donee takes subject. The recorder of mortgages shall index the affidavit only under the names of the owner filing the affidavit and the tax debtor, as mortgagors.

(b) The affidavit described herein shall be sufficient if it follows the form articulated in R.S. 47:2208.

(c) With respect to a sale, the filing of the affidavit provided herein shall operate as a cancellation, termination, release, or erasure of record of all statutory impositions of all political subdivisions then due and owing, of all governmental

liens, and of all interests, liens, mortgages, privileges, and other encumbrances recorded against the property sold and listed in the affidavit.

(d) With respect to a donation, the filing of the affidavit provided herein shall operate as a cancellation, termination, release, or erasure of record of all statutory impositions of all political subdivisions then due and owing, of all governmental liens, and of all interests, liens, mortgages, privileges, and other encumbrances recorded against the property sold and listed in the affidavit.

(e) Upon filing of the affidavit, the recorder of mortgages or the recorder of conveyances shall treat as canceled, terminated, released, or erased, all those liens, privileges, mortgages or other encumbrances canceled, terminated, released or erased under subsections (c) or (d) of this Section, only insofar as they affect the property.

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THUS PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 10th day of June, 2019.

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THUS PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 10th day of June, 2019.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, to purchase a Generator for Rapides Parish Fire District No. 15, from Ward Electric, for the amount of \$29,500.00 (competitive prices were obtained), as requested by the Taylor Hill Volunteer Fire Department Board. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, to award Bid #2730-1 – Purchase Used Dump Truck, to lowest bidder, United Rentals, for the amount of \$48,000.00 as recommended by the Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, to award Bid #2730-2 – Purchase Used Dump Truck to lowest bidder, JPS Equipment Rentals, for the amount of \$50,000.00, as recommended by the Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, to authorize the purchase off of the State of Louisiana Lamas Contract, for Rapides Parish Fire District #18, a new Pumper/Tanker Fire Truck and related, for the amount of \$424,086.00, secure financing and authorize the President to sign all necessary documents, as recommended by the Fire District No. 18 Board. On vote the motion carried.

On motion Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to accept the Public Works Director's Report. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to authorize Mrs. Connie Smith, 1085 Clifton Road, Lena, LA 71447, District E, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certification. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, to authorize Mrs. Cathy Baradell, 58 Sugartown Road, Glenmora, LA, 71433, District H, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certification. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, to adopt the following ordinance:

## ORDINANCE

### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT SECTIONS 18-4.2 (H) SPEED LIMITS SO AS TO SET A 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON NICHOLS ROAD, WARD 5, DISTRICT E

BE IT ORDAINED by the Rapides Parish Police Jury in Regular Session convened on this 10th day of June, 2019, that Section 18-4.2 (h) of the Rapides Parish Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and reenacted to include a 20 mph speed limit on the Nichols Road, Ward 5, District E, as follows:

#### Chapter 18. MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

Section 18-4.2. Speed limits designated on certain streets:

(h) Twenty miles per hour. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate a vehicle upon the following parish roads in Rapides Parish in excess of twenty (20) miles per hour:

...  
NICHOLS ROAD, WARD 5, DISTRICT E

...

(l). Whoever violates the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00), or imprisoned in the Rapides Parish Jail for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or both.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance is to be effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED in all other respects Section 18-4.2 of the Rapides Parish Code of Ordinances shall remain unchanged.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parish Highway Department is hereby authorized to erect the speed limit signs on the Road.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this 10th day of June, 2019.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, to authorize to advertise to receive bids for the chip sealing on various roads, to be paid from the various road maintenance funds as budgeted. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to authorize to advertise to receive bids for the micro-surfacing of various roads, to be paid for from the various road maintenance funds as budgeted. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, to grant approval to Hari Oaks Subdivision, located on Campbell Road, Deville, as recommended by Rapides Area Planning Commission and approved by the Public Works Director, subject to the review of Legal Counsel and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, to authorize the President to sign a renewal of the One-Stop Operator Contract between the Rapides Parish Police Jury and the Louisiana State University at Alexandria, for an optional term of one (1) year from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The Contract will be funded through WIOA grant funds. Treasurer to amend the budget accordingly. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, to designate and name the Secretary as the Records Management Officer Liaison, to act as liaison between the Division of Archives, Records Management and History and the Rapides Parish Police Jury, for the period of July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to name "The Town Talk" as the Official Journal for a one (1) year period ending June 30, 2020. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, the following ordinance was presented and unanimously adopted:

#### ORDINANCE

##### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT SECTION 21-1 (b) OF ARTICLE I FIRE PROTECTION OF THE RAPIDES PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO SERVICE AREA NO. 1 OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2

BE IT ORDAINED by the Rapides Parish Police Jury in Regular Session convened on the 10th day of June, 2019, that Section 21-1(b) of the Rapids Parish Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and reenacted to correct typographical error in boundary description to conform with original plat and tax assessment.

##### Chapter 21 – SPECIAL DISTRICTS ARTICLE. I – FIRE PROTECTION

Section 21-1. - Created; boundaries described; designation of service area.

(b) The following is the area to be known as Service Area No. 1 of Fire District No. 2:

Beginning at the point on the Red River where Wards 7 and 8 intersect, follow the Ward 7-8 boundary line southerly to the common intersection of Wards 5, 7 and 8; thence follow the Ward 5-8 boundary southerly and easterly to the common intersection of Wards 1, 5 and 8; thence follow the Ward 1 boundary southerly and easterly and thence northerly to its intersection with the corner common to Section 15, 53 and 27, Township 3 North, Range 1 West; then run westerly along the south line of Sections 15 and 16 to the east line of Section 17; thence southerly along the

east line of Section 17 to a corner common to Sections 17, 27 and 26; thence westerly along the south line of Sections 17, 18, 19 and 20 to the line between Range 1 West and Range 2 West; thence northerly along the line between Range 1 West and Range 2 West to its intersection with the south right-of-way line of State Highway 21; thence westerly along the south right-of-way line of State Highway 21 a distance of approximately 0.4 miles to its intersection with the west right-of-way line of a parish road known as the Alexandria Air Base Cut-Off Road; thence northerly along the west line of the Alexandria Air Base Cut-Off Road to its intersection with the south right-of-way line of State Highway C-2096 (Bayou Rapides Road); thence westerly along the south right-of-way line of State Highway C-2096 to its intersection with the west line of Section 34, Township 4 North, Range 2 West; thence northerly along the west line of Section 34 to the northwest corner of Section 34; thence easterly along the north line of Section 34 to its intersection with the west right-of-way line of State Highway M-2105 (Airport Road); thence along the west right-of-way line of the Airport Road to its intersection with the north right-of-way line of State Highway No. 20; thence easterly along the north right-of-way line of State Highway No. 20 to its intersection with the line between Range 2 West and Range 1 West; thence northerly along the line between Range 2 West and Range 1 West to its intersection with the center line of the Red River, thence in a northwesterly direction (upstream) to the intersection of the Red River with the Ward 7-8 boundary line which is the point of beginning.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance is to be effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED in all other respects of Section 21-1 of the Rapides Parish Code of Ordinances shall remain unchanged.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this 10th day of June, 2019

On motion by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, to acknowledge the reappointment of Mr. Sam Echols to the Fire Protection District No. 17, representing the Village of Forest Hill. Term will expire January 1, 2021. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to acknowledge the reappointment of Mr. Richard Moriarty, to Fire Protection District No. 12 Board, representing the Town of Cheneyville. Term will expire January 1, 2021. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, to acknowledge the reappointment of Mr. Keith Ray, to the Fire Protection District No. 12 Board, representing the Town of Cheneyville. Term will expire January 27, 2021. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to review updates to the Rapides Parish Employees Drug Policy as prepared by Attorney Bryce Denny.

Mr. Greg Jones, Legal Counsel, requested the motion be tabled until July.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, to table the motion to review updates to the Rapides Parish Employees Drug Policy as prepared by Attorney Bryce Denny until July as requested by Legal Counsel. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to receive the required report from Acadian Ambulance under the Contract for April, 2019:

<b>Response Zone</b>	<b>Number of Responses</b>	<b>Required %</b>	<b>Compliance %</b>
Alexandria - 8 minute	550	80%	86.73%
Pineville - 8 minute	150	80%	81.33%
Rapides - 12 minute	237	80%	85.32%
Rapides - 20 minute	201	80%	84.58%

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, to accept the donation of the Historical Deville Precinct Voting Hall for placement at Fire District No. 6 location. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, that the following items were not considered by the Committee of the Jury but were posted on the agenda after the Committee Meeting and added to the Jury agenda in compliance with the Public Meetings Law and are now confirmed as having been added to the agenda by two-thirds vote:

YEAS: Davron "Bubba" Moreau, Joe Bishop, Craig Smith, Richard Vanderlick, Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Sean McGlothlin, Richard Billings, Scott Perry, Jr, and Theodore Fontaine, Jr.

NAYS: none

ABSTAINED: none

ABSENT: none

On roll call vote the motion carried 9-0.

Mr. Greg Jones stated that Mr. Richard Billings had wanted to add a motion to discuss restoring funding to the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation.

Mr. Fontaine stated that would be unanimous.

Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to restore the funding to the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation in the amount of \$2,750.00.

Mr. Bruce Kelly stated that Dr. Holcombe had put this in his budget, he just needs an invoice from them. He did not need a motion. It's a budgeted amount.

No vote was taken on the motion.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to authorize a 5% step increase in salary to the employees of the Rapides Parish Police Jury, effective June 9, 2019 and authorize the Treasurer to amend the budget as necessary.

Substitute motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, for the President to appoint a Committee to develop a Compensation Redesign proposal

for the Police Jury employees and submit to the Civil Service Director. The proposal should be presented to the Police Jury within 90 days and approved for the 2020 budget.

The President requested the motion be read again. Ms. Laurel Smith, Secretary, read the substitute motion aloud again.

Mr. Joe Bishop questioned Mr. Bruce Kelly, Treasurer, if there was any reserve funds in the Police Jury General Funds, to which Mr. Kelly stated no.

Ms. Linda Sanders, Civil Service Director, stated she was not sure what a step increase was. You have merit increases, general increase and cost of living. Step increase is generally an increase within your range.

Mr. Greg Jones Legal Counsel stated that he thought Ms. Sanders was correct, if he heard the motion correctly, it's not to develop a step increase plan, it's to develop a compensation redesign plan, which may or may not end up being a step.

The President had the motion read out loud again.

Roll call vote was as follows on the substitute motion:

YEAS: Joe Bishop, Craig Smith, Richard Vanderlick, Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Sean McGlothlin, Scott Perry, Jr, and Theodore Fountaine, Jr.

NAYS: Davron "Bubba" Moreau and Richard Billings

ABSTAINED: none

ABSENT: none

On roll call vote the substitute motion carried 7-2.

Ms. Linda Sanders suggested that you have somebody in the Committee that is actually certified in compensation.

Discussion ensued.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Richard Vanderlick, to increase the salary of the Justice of the Peace and Constables of Rapides Parish by \$100.00 a month and to increase the registration and mileage for the annual training by \$100.00, effective July 1, 2019.

Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: Davron "Bubba" Moreau, Richard Vanderlick and Richard Billings,

NAYS: Joe Bishop, Craig Smith, Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Sean McGlothlin, Scott Perry, Jr. and Theodore Fountaine, Jr.

ABSTAINED: none

ABSENT: none

On roll call vote the motion failed 6-3.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss the reports of Ms. Levette Hall Thomas and Ms. Erika Brown, employees of the Rapides Parish Sheriff Office, pertaining to the Rapides Parish Courthouse Parking Garage.

Mr. Fontaine questioned if Ms. Hall or Ms. Brown were in the audience, to which there was no response. Mr. Fontaine stated there was a report in front of the Jurors, from Ms. Thomas.

Mr. Overton stated that he had a picture but the only thing he saw in the photo was the damage to the ceiling. There is no automobile.

Mr. Joe Bishop stated since they were not here, he didn't feel it should be discussed. He asked the President if the sign had been put up yet, to which it was stated yes, coming in the front gate.

Discussion ensued.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Oscar Coody to the Waterworks District No. 3 Board for a five (5) year term. Term will expire June 10, 2022. On vote the motion carried

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, the following resolution was presented and unanimously adopted:

Courtableau-Teche-Vermilion Watershed Project Study  
U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

WHEREAS, the Bayou Courtableau Watershed in St. Landry Parish at Washington, LA is approximately 715 square miles. The entire Bayou Courtableau Watershed is greater than 1000 square miles and also includes areas both east and south of Washington LA. The watershed extends north to Boyce, LA (North of Alexandria, LA) and includes several wetland swamps, floodplains in the southern part of the watershed. These flood plains in the southern watershed include Darbonne, Waukesha, Thistlewaite, Bayou Carron and Dubuisson. These lowland swamps provide a flood plain for excess water that enters the watershed from the north and central part of the watershed into the floodway when water levels are low enough in the Atchafalaya Basin. Additionally, there are two, five-hundred overflow weirs immediately upstream of the Courtableau Control Gates that allow excessive, but uncontrolled flood waters, to drain into the West Atchafalaya Guide Levee Barrow Pit, also referred to as Bayou Amy –Barrow Pit, and down the floodplain to Lake Dauterive and Lake Fausse Point near Loreauville, LA. Additionally, there exists a levee between Bayou Courtableau and Bayou Amy-Barrow Pit, through which a 54 inch culvert and control gate is located, that provides freshwater flow into Bayou Amy-Barrow Pit and connecting waterways to the south; and

WHEREAS, the Atchafalaya Basin water levels dictate the effectiveness of the existing Bayou Courtableau Control Gates, also known as the Grimmett Canal Gates in moving flood water in the northern part of the watershed into the west Atchafalaya floodway. As an example, the water levels in the Atchafalaya Basin since December 2018 have been unusually high and are expected to remain high until the summer of 2019, making these existing gates in the West Atchafalaya Guide Levee, Grimmett Canal Gates, largely ineffective for managing flood water; and



WHEREAS, the Teche-Vermilion Freshwater District operates a 54 inch culvert gate which provides freshwater flow from Bayou Courtableau into the Bayou Amy-Barrow Pit and connecting waterways to the South. The Teche-Vermilion Freshwater District has reported that St. Martin Parish downstream, does not believe this freshwater resource is adequate and have indicated they would support adding a larger gate in the levee; and

WHEREAS, we are recommending adding dual-purpose floodgates in the levee between Bayou Courtableau and Bayou Amy-Barrow Pit. The gate would provide both a flood mitigation resource, as well as, a freshwater quality resource downstream. The gate, if constructed, would improve water quality in multiple parishes including St. Landry, St. Martin, Iberia and St. Mary. The gate would also provide a critically needed flood management resource for 10 parishes in the Courtableau-Teche-Vermillion Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the flood of August 2016 brought great losses of homes, business and agricultural crops, equipment and structures in the entire Courtableau-Teche-Vermillion Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Council is requesting that the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, study and/or review and update the Bayou Cocodrie and Tributaries, Louisiana Project; and further, consider the construction of additional flood control gates from Bayou Courtableau into Bayou Amy in St. Landry Parish; and further request that the U.S. Corp of Engineers, study and review plans to repair the flood gate at Bayou des Glaises at Bordelonville, Louisiana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the St. Landry Parish Council requests that the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, commence a study and/or review the Bayou Cocodrie and Tributaries, Louisiana Project and commence a study of plans to construct additional flood control gates at the Bayou Courtableau Control Structure in St. Landry Parish to discharge flood waters from Bayou Courtableau into Bayou Amy and further, the St. Landry Parish Council requests that the U.S. Corp of Engineers, commence a study and/or review of plans to repair the flood gate at Bayou des Glaises at Bordelonville, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be sent to each of the additional parish governments including Rapides, Avoyelles, Evangeline, St. Martin, Lafayette, Iberia, Vermilion and St. Mary Parishes which will be affected by this project, seeking their consideration and support of this resolution. And further, after the adoption of this resolution by the aforementioned parish governments, a copy of each of the adopted resolutions shall be sent to the Louisiana Congressional Delegation, seeking their support and their intervention with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers in causing this study and/or review to commence promptly.

This resolution was adopted on 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith, to authorize the Public Works Director to hire an additional Equipment Operator I and a Laborer, to operate the pothole patcher at the Glenmora Barn, to be paid from the Road & Bridge Salary line item. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, there being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m. On vote the motion carried.

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Laurel Smith, Secretary  
Rapides Parish Police Jury

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Theodore Fontaine, Jr., President  
Rapides Parish Police Jury