

Drainage Committee Meeting
Of the
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 26, 2021
4:50 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Jamie Ponville, Chairman; Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Myron Matherne, Mr. Patrick Johnson.
Committee members recorded as absent were: Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Chris Carter
Other Police Jurors recoded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Michael Dias.
2. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve the reappointment of all members to the Lower Belle River Gravity Drainage District #12 for 5 yr. terms." The motion was unanimously adopted.
3. Chairman Jamie Ponville recognized the Parish Manager, who stated that he spoke with the President regarding the tabling of the items on the Drainage Committee agenda due to the water event. He stated that if there are any emergencies or critical issues they can be discussed at the next meeting. In response, committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that he has the 10 in. flap gate for the pump off of Lee Dr. The committee agreed to deviate for this matter.
4. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the committee approve tabling items 2-9 under the Drainage Committee." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Chairman Jamie Ponville stated that the Pierre Part area received 25+ inches of rain on last week which no-one has ever seen before. He thanked the OHSEP Director and staff for helping bring things together during this time. He thanked the Sheriff's Office for providing the inmates to help sand bag and the Parish Manager and his staff as well. He then thanked the volunteers of the community of Pierre Part for their tireless efforts. Mr. Ponville stated that there was a project on Hwy 70 to block off culverts and construct a ring levee for a cost of \$8,280. This project reduced the water from this area by 12+ inches and will continue to pump until a safe zone is reached. He stated that the sand bag cost was \$9,920, sand was \$9,875, fuel for pump was \$3,368.25, rental of pumps \$12,584, lumber \$1,386.96, food for trustees & National Guard was \$417.18 for a total of \$45,831.39. He stated that one (1) resident had water in his home for 4 days until the ring levee was set up. In response, the Parish Manager stated that GOHSEP may not bill the Parish for the sand bags that were purchased. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that the Parish is obligated and it will depend on a declaration. He then stated that in the past when a declaration is received the State does a direct submittal to FEMA and we have not been charged. He then stated that the Parish has no declaration but we have requested for preliminary damage assessment but have not received any word of a team yet. He also stated that GOHSEP is pursuing for all the Parishes that had water etc. They have adequate pictures to show the activity and the sequence of time. He then spoke about individual assistance and stated that if anyone had damages, it needs to be reported. This information will assist in getting declared. He added that only six (6) people have reported damages and four (4) have been assessed. In response, he stated that pictures were taken all day long and Ideal St. was included. He also stated that labor cost will have to be calculated to include the OEP Office, equipment cost etc. A brief discussion was then held regarding the flow of water and the amount of time it's taking to drain. The OHSEP Director stated that the notification system has been used to get information out relative to the rain event and damage assessments. He stated that the Bayou Boeuf gauge hasn't worked since Sunday. He stated that circumstances show that there was an increase in flow while the bridge was open. He then stated that for those individuals that don't have access to file damages, they can visit his office or the library. Chairman Jamie Ponville stated that we are getting penalized for protecting ourselves and again thanked everyone for their assistance. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that the people that help themselves don't get flood damage so that can't be used to help the Parish get flood aid. He then stated that the best thing to do is contact the Legislative/Congressional Delegation requesting that the rules be changed or the language be rewritten so that the mitigation that homeowners use to protect themselves need to be considered. The OHSEP Director stated that the easiest process to elevate a home is through ICC (Increase Cost of Compliance) Program that is done through the insurance agent. He stated that FEMA is the underwriter for flood insurance and the grant is up to \$30,000. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that a street that is washed out and a velocity of water is flowing across it and it washes out a culvert is covered damages but if the water just sits on the road, it's not considered covered damages. He stated that the Sheriff's Office and the Library damages can be included in the damage assessment report. He stated that if a purchase is considered, FEMA has rates and will pay for every hour the pump runs. He then stated that he will try and assess and get pump rates factored in for the public pumps. He further stated that this was a larger rain event therefore he will use the previous numbers to qualify and calculate later. In response, he stated that we will have to undo all the emergency work that was set up for the event. A brief discussion was then held regarding the Parish Engineer doing an after the fact permit to keep everything in place.

6. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne “THAT, the committee approve adding the following matter to the agenda.” The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. Chairman Jamie Ponville requested comments, questions or concerns regarding the purchase of 2 flap gates. Following three (3) calls, there were no comments received.
8. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, “THAT, the committee approve \$200 for East Drive Flap Gates Project.” The motion was unanimously adopted.
9. Chairman Jamie Ponville recognized Russell Rivere, 879 Hwy 402, Napoleonville, who stated that he is working with DOTD to see if the Bayou St. Vincent area can have a culvert removed that has been in reverse fashion. He explained that instead of his land draining into Bayou St. Vincent it’s draining onto their property. He then stated that Aaron Elizar will be doing some survey work and the Parish will need to assist with the work therefore, he is requesting that the Jury consider rendering the assistance that will be needed. The Parish Manager stated that he spoke with Mr. Elizar who stated that the State will not spend \$1 it would have to be a Parish project. He then stated that he has to complete a permitting process and they may allow the Parish to put a flap gate on the culvert. He then stated that he will meet with Police Juror Michael Dias to discuss the matter and the permit process can begin.
10. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Patrick Johnson, “THAT, there being no further business to come before the Drainage Committee, the meeting be adjourned.” The motion was unanimously adopted.

Kim M. Torres
Secretary-Treasurer

Jamie Ponville
Drainage Committee Chairman

Personnel Committee Meeting
Of the
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 26, 2021
5:15 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Acting Chairman; Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Patrick Johnson.
Committee members recorded as absent were: Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Chris Carter.
Other Police Juror recorded as present was: Mr. Myron Matherne.
2. Acting Chairman Ron Alcorn recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that several individuals were hired on an as needed basis for the APCC. She then stated that they haven't worked for quite some time therefore, they are no longer needed and would like to terminate their services.
3. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve to officially terminate the following APCC event workers, Curtis Rainey, Christina Aucoin, La Shonta Dupard and Tywana Dupard." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that at the last meeting the Jury requested that she confer with the ADA to draft the revision to the drug policy and present at this next meeting. She stated that a copy was emailed to each Juror for review. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated what's required by OSHA relative to drug testing. A brief discussion was held regarding the parish doing random testing and that OSHA wouldn't come into play. Following the discussion, the ADA stated that if additional language is needed to let him know. A brief discussion was held regarding the reporting of an incident/injury to his/her supervisor immediately. Following the discussion, the committee agreed that if not reported immediately, it shall not qualify as a worker's compensation claim and the employee shall be responsible for all medical cost and missed time from work. They also stated that the employees should be made aware of what needs to happen.
5. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve the revision to the post-accident/incident of the personnel policy as it relates to drug testing and worker's compensation." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Acting Chairman Ron Alcorn recognized the Parish Manager, who requested approval to hire a master equipment operator at a grade 5 step 12 \$15.25 an hr. In response, he stated that he tested the individual and he will be replacing Dean Barras.
7. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the Parish Manager to hire Aaron Landry, Master Equipment Operator, at a grade 5 Step 12, \$15.25 per hour." The motion was unanimously adopted.
8. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Personnel Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

Kim M. Torres
Secretary-Treasurer

Ron Alcorn, Acting Chairman
Personnel Committee

Finance Committee Meeting
Of the
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 26, 2021
5:25 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Patrick Johnson, Chairman; Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Myron Matherne.
Committee members recorded as absent were: Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Chris Carter.
Other Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Jamie Ponville.
2. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the committee approve payment of bills through May 21, 2021." The motion was unanimously adopted.
3. Chairman Patrick Johnson recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that the Budget Comparison Statements were provided in the packets for review. She then stated that it includes a few overages but nothing to be concerned with. She stated there will be some other overages due to the water event. She then stated that there is nothing that needs to be addressed and that everything is in line. She then recommended approval.
4. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee approve the Budget Comparison Statements for April, 2021." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that the contract renewal with South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority for mental health services for the inmates is with the same terms and conditions. She recommended approval.
6. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve to renew the contract with South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority for mental health services for the inmates." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. Chairman Patrick Johnson recognized the APCC Event Coordinator, who stated that she was contacted by the Assumption Mental Health & Rehabilitation to utilize the gymnasium for Senior Olympics on July 1, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at no charge. She stated that they will provide insurance and a clean-up. The ADA suggested that a CEA be drafted and signed.
8. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the President to sign a CEA with Assumption Mental Health & Rehabilitation to utilize the gymnasium for Senior Olympics on July 1, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at no charge while they will provide insurance, staff to set up and clean-up." The motion was unanimously adopted.
9. Committee member Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

Kim M. Torres
Secretary-Treasurer

Patrick Johnson
Finance Committee Chairman

Engineering/Grants Committee Meeting
Of the
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 26, 2021
5:30 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Vice Chairman; Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Patrick Johnson.
Committee member recorded as absent was: Mr. Irving Comeaux.
Other Police Juror recorded as present were: Mr. Myron Matherne.
2. Vice Chairman Leroy Blanchard recognized Jacob Loeske, GIS Engineering, who stated that for the past few weeks the weather has made it tough to get into the fields without causing damage. In lieu of the survey date, they have been riding through the impassible areas and deploying drones. He then stated they listed all of the canals as well as the added canals near DOW and Hwy 70. He stated that they have been performing site visits of high water locations throughout the Parish from the May 12, 2021 storm event through May 18, 2021 which affected many people. More pictures were taken on May 24, 2021 and he will share with the community group. He then stated that in discussion with the survey crews and reviewing gauge reading, they feel like they would be better suited and have a better depiction of inverters and actual elevations if they went out and performed some type of staff gauge monitoring. So he asked if the Jury would be obliged to allow them to develop a plan, by vehicle, in the 4 different corridors. He stated that this would give them a better idea of where the water is and at what time. Prior to the next meeting he will contact the Jurors to see if they are in agreement with the locations they selected and get any input for a better reading. This will also assist with putting truth to the models before improvements can be done. Getting the model correct is essential to getting future funding. If it's wrong on the existing conditions before any improvements are done, then trash in trash out. He proceeded with the update and stated that as far as funding goes, Brett Paul and NRCS has yet to receive the State grant but they did speak with Senator Price during session and he is seeking some funding. He also gave a list of areas that are included in the survey work and they have photos of the footage. In response, he stated that the photos were taken on May 12, 2021 following the 1st big rain. He stated that they have lost about 4-5 weeks due to bad weather conditions but the spending is matching the efforts.
3. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michel Dias, "THAT, the committee approve an engineering contract with GIS Engineering for the Drainage Master Plan Phase 2." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Vice Chairman Leroy Blanchard recognized the OHSEP Director, who stated that the positive cases in Assumption Parish is 2,252 with 6 deaths. He then stated that Assumption Parish is in the high category in the State at a rate of 5.6%. He then stated that the virus is still around and asked that everyone continue to take precaution and push the vaccine. He stated that the second dose of the vaccine was done at the Pierre Part Store today. He then stated that school children ages 12 and up can get the pfizer vaccine between June 1-8, 2021.
5. Police Juror Chris Carter entered the meeting at this time.
6. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Engineering Committee, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

Kim M. Torres
Secretary-Treasurer

Leroy Blanchard, Chairman
Engineering/Grants Committee

Public Hearing (Proposed 3-Way stop at Back Marais and Alvin St., Back Marais and French Lane,
Georgette St. and Connie St. and Cancienne and Jerome Court)
Of the
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 26, 2021
5:50 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Patrick Johnson, Chairman; Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Myron Matherne.
Committee members recorded as absent were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Mr. Irving Comeaux.
2. Chairman Patrick Johnson stated that the purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments, questions or concerns regarding the proposed 3-Way stop at Back Marais and Alvin St., Back Marais and French Lane, Georgette St. and Connie St. and Cancienne and Jerome Court). Following three (3) calls, there were no comments received.
3. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Public Hearing, the hearing be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

Kim M. Torres
Secretary-Treasurer

Patrick Johnson
Chairman

Regular Meeting
Of the
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, May 26, 2021
6:00 O'clock p.m.

1. The Regular Meeting of the Assumption Parish Police Jury was called to order by Police Jury President Patrick Johnson in the Assumption Parish Police Jury Chamber located at 4813 Highway 1, Napoleonville, Louisiana.
2. Police Jurors recorded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Ward 1; Mr. Patrick Johnson, Ward 4; Mr. Michael Dias, Ward 5; Mr. Chris Carter, Ward 6; Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Ward 7; Mr. Jamie Ponville, Ward 8; Mr. Myron Matherne, Ward 9.
Police Jurors recorded as absent were: Mr. Jeff Naquin, Ward 2; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Ward 3.
3. President Patrick Johnson led the prayer and Police Juror Chris Carter led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
4. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the minutes of May 11, 2021." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. President Patrick Johnson opened the meeting to the public for any public comments, questions or concerns regarding the items listed on the agenda. He recognized Don Breaux, who commended the Police Jury employees and the OHSEP Director for their assistance during the water event. He then stated that everyone can see that Wards 8 & 9 have more drainage issues than any other area of the parish. He then requested that the Police Jury consider future drainage allocation percentages be allocated more to Wards 8 & 9. He stated that at the end of the year other areas have funds remaining and these wards have projects but no remaining funds to get them done. In response, Police Juror Myron Matherne stated that if he has a need at the end of the year, the Jurors with remaining funds steps in and allocate what is needed. Mr. Breaux stated that he understands that but there are still projects that are not getting done until the end of the year and needs to get done prior to that time. He added that with this past water event that are many projects (levees raised, pump installation, etc.) that needs to be done therefore, if the funds are allocated up front, those projects can be done ahead of time.
President Patrick Johnson recognized Loggie Guillot, 3419 Hwy 70, Pierre Part, who stated that the communities of Pierre Part and Belle River are in serious trouble and we need action not studies. We are begging for a solution to correct the water situation.
Antoine Temple, 149 Homerun Parkway, Belle Rose, asked if the watershed Project didn't cross over the Master Flood Plan or are they two different projects? In reply, the Jury stated that they were different. Mr. Temple then mentioned an issue that occurred in Baton Rouge and asked the Jury, if there are funds allocated for the Parish that are not being spent? In reply, the Jury again stated that there were not.
President Patrick Johnson recognized Alisha BIRTHA, 263 Hwy 998, Belle Rose, who stated that Belle Rose Lane has a major problem with flooding. When flooding occurs the residents of Belle Rose can't use their bathroom, can't cook, wash, etc. She stated that Belle Rose has been over looked for years and the Parish may not have a lot of funds but even with the little that it has, it's not being used to help Belle Rose. The elected officials are put there to assist everyone and they are not doing anything for this area. She stated that this problem has existed for more than 30 yrs and a solution is needed. She further asked for help from the \$12 million that the Parish will acquire. Police Juror Chris Carter stated that the Belle Rose community has been flooding for many years and so has Pierre Part. He then stated that all resources available were used to assist in the Pierre Part area during this recent water event and nothing was done for the people of Belle Rose who also had homes that took on water. He asked that everyone think about this and he added that he wants to assist the entire Parish of Assumption. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard stated that he visited the Belle Rose area and there was nothing that could be done in the short term to help the two (2) homes that took in water. A brief discussion was held regarding the water that were in yards and homes of people in the Belle Rose and Pierre Part areas and what can be done, digging out ditches or cleaning out a canal. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard stated that he spoke with the Parish Manager to see what could be done to alleviate some additional flow from the area but the problem is that for 30 years nothing has been maintained and the water can't get out of the fields. Mrs. BIRTHA stated that the water used to flow to the Bayou but for some unknown reason the ditches were closed therefore, all the water is backed up on the community. Royal Gray, 293 Hwy 998, Belle Rose, stated that he has been there for 35 yrs and the ditches in front and behind his home have never been dug and are filled with vegetation and debris so the water can't drain. He added that the surrounding fields are draining on the homes on Hwy 998. In response, Chairman Jamie Ponville stated that there is a maintenance problem in the Parish. In response, Police Juror Chris Carter stated that it is a State Highway but so is Hwy 1003 but he pursued and it took about 2 yrs with the assistance of the Representative and Senator because the person at the State level for the Parish does nothing for the Parish. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard stated that the area in question is a low area and there is no where for the water to drain. A brief discussion was held regarding the problems in the area and due to this, the area is being added to the Master Plan.
President Patrick Johnson recognized Celeste Jackson, Belle Rose, who stated that she has been living there since 1980. She stated that the water stays stagnated and has gotten into two

(2) of her bedrooms. She added that when her husband was sick, the ambulance couldn't get to her home due to the water situation. She further stated that this stagnated water has rotted her home and at 76 yrs old she can afford to get it fixed. In response, President Patrick Johnson stated that Police Juror Leroy Blanchard has included the area in the Master Flood Plan to receive funding for improvements as well as the local infrastructure projects. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that the bonds did go to sale today and Wells Fargo did secure the sale for \$11 Million at 3.75% interest rate. Documents for signatures and finalization will be received shortly and funds in hand within the next few weeks.

President Patrick Johnson recognized Steve Rodrigue, 3412 Hwy 70, who thanked the Jury for the efforts that didn't go unnoticed. He stated that he was a fireman for 20 yrs and the problem has been existing since 1973. He added that every 5-7 years there is water and across the street from him the land is bone dry. He further stated that people that are assisting have water to pass through to go to areas with more water and it's time to find a solution. Mr. Rodrigue then asked that the Parish put the funding in the right place and be good stewards of the funding.

President Patrick Johnson recognized Gerald Fryou, 125 Derrick St., Pierre Part, who stated that he was out there during the water event and all he heard is that it must come out. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that the question is what is normal and they will report to FEMA that normal is about 1 ft. to 1.5 ft. He stated that it will stay in place using the standard level in the Lake Verrett area as the standing point before actions are taken. Mr. Fryou stated that since 1991 there is a levee in the area than has not been finished. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that the guidelines must be followed unless we will jeopardize getting funds.

President Patrick Johnson recognized Kevin Guillot, 248 Bayou Drive, Pierre Part, who commended the Parish for the assistance in the water event. He stated that he has been trying to contact the State for the past 3 weeks and no one has replied. He stated that the State has to do their part in getting their ditches dug and drained to assist with better flow of water.

President Patrick Johnson recognized John Day, 114 Phillip St., Pierre Part, who stated he has lived there for the last 20 yrs and has watched the water rise. He stated that he understands the Parish has plans for future projects but what will happen between the time it materializes and now. He stated that Juror Ponville came up with a good idea, put it into place but received some resistance and he's not sure why. He then stated why the water is staying stagnated where he is but added that this water should be closed off and pumped out into a ring levee until the project can be done. In response, Police Juror Jamie Ponville stated that the ring levees can be provided for this area as well if the residents are willing to form a drainage district. In response, Police Juror Leroy Blanchard stated that the water problem that the parish is experiencing is a regional level problem that the Police Jury can't fix. He stated that he's on the Task Force and they have identified the problems and are currently working on solutions. He then stated that the biggest problem the Parish has is the river height at the mouth of the Bayou Chene when it enters the Atchafalaya River being too high. Mr. Day stated that he's not debating that and he understands but the problem he has today is that there's water being held up in his yard that should not have gotten there.

Patrick Johnson recognized Beryl Gomez, 664 Michel Rd., who stated that 4 of the last 5 years we've been spending our time with high waters. Now, it is time to change directions because what has happened up to now has not worked. She stated that the Task Force has something going that will help control the water levels and all of the future investments that the Parish is planning will allow the drainage to work but the water control and drainage plan must happen at the same time. Mrs. Gomez stated that Mr. Matte is willing to discuss how the Bayou Chene project will operate therefore, those Jurors with the impacted areas should schedule a meeting at the APCC with him and have a good discussion about what the modifications need to be. She further stated that Mr. Matte agrees that modifications of how the Chene will have to operate clearly needs attention. Mrs. Gomez stated that when the communications stated that they will close the Bayou Chene when Morgan City reaches 7 ft. is fear mongering. She then stated that we have an opportunity to jump ahead of that to assist the Parish on what the money will be spent on for drainage. She then asked that the Jury consider sending letters to the CPRA and the Atchafalaya River Basin as a whole indicating our problem areas but we must face drainage first and prioritizing the areas (Belle Rose, Pierre Part, Belle River, Attakapas, etc.). She further encouraged the Jury to take some of those moves proactively.

President Patrick Johnson recognized Carol Aucoin, Belle River, who stated we as community members need to educate ourselves regarding the Master Plan so that we can know how to address the Senators and Representatives. She stated that for the 1st time she remains very optimistic that we're working as a wholistic group that has issues in all parts of the Parish but it's not a massive amount of citizens like you have in the Belle River/Pierre Part area. She then stated that the Parish has in place a person on the State Board which gives us a voice. She further stated that until we the Parish stand up and make the State accountable nothing will get done. Mrs. Aucoin also stated that until the Master Drainage Plan is in place with the specific documentation and permits, we will not move forward. She applauded everyone for the assistance that was rendered in this water event.

Patrick Johnson recognized Bill Lawles, 110 Lawles St. who stated that he's been there for 47 years. He stated that the area is like a bowl and has nowhere to go. He then stated that for years no one did any drainage work in the area and someone blocked the culvert leading to the pump. In response, he stated that the ring levees that were put did render some assistance.

President Patrick Johnson recognized Donny Calemia, Sr., 2326 Lee Dr., who thanked the Jury for the assistance. He stated that after listening, it's obvious that everyone is in the same boat. He stated that sooner or later the Parish will have to come up with a drainage plan. He stated that a pump was placed on Hwy 70 and it proved that it will get the water out and off the people. He further stated that he is in a drainage district and the water was still almost in his home.

Therefore, if a pump and ring levee will keep the people dry, please consider putting them. President Patrick Johnson recognized Brad Dias, 220 Bayou Drive, who asked if there are any opportunities in the Bayou Boeuf area to assist with getting the water out? He stated that the Parish has to move forward with the levees.

President Patrick Johnson recognized Lenny Tramonte, 200 Bayou Dr., who thanked the Jury for all the assistance rendered to the Pierre Part area. He then stated that he likes the big plan that is being put in place but people want to know what can be done now. He stated that there are temporary fixes in place that are working so what will it take to keep those measures there. The major project is years away so consider keeping what is working now. Following three (3) calls, there were no further comments received.

6. President Patrick Johnson recognized Drainage Committee Chairman Jamie Ponville, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters: approved to replace all members of the Lower Belle River Gravity Drainage District for a 5 yr. term, discussed the rain event, approved \$200 for the purchase of a flap gate for Ward 7 and heard drainage issues from Russell Rivere in Ward 5.
7. Police Juror Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Drainage Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
8. President Patrick Johnson recognized Personnel Committee Acting Chairman Ron Alcorn, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following: officially terminated APCC event workers Curtis Rainey, Christina Aucoin, La 'Shonta Dupard and Tywana Dupard, post-accident/incident of the personal policy as it relates to drug testing revision and the hiring of Aaron Landry at a grade 5 step 12 at \$15.25 an hr.
9. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Personnel Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
10. President Patrick Johnson stated that the Finance Committee met and recommended the following matters; payment of bills submitted through May 21, 2021, Budget Comparison Statements for April 2021, renewal contract with South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority for mental health services for inmates and authorize the President to sign a CEA with Assumption Mental Health & Rehabilitation to utilize the gymnasium for Senior Olympics on July 1, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at no charge while they will provide insurance, staff to set up and clean-up.
11. Police Juror Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Finance Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
12. President Patrick Johnson recognized Engineering/Grants Committee Vice Chairman Leroy Blanchard, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters; received an update on the Drainage Master Plan & Flood Mitigation Project from GIS Engineering, approved an engineering contract with GIS Engineering for the Drainage Master Plan Phase 2 in the amount of \$120,000 for four (4) months and received an update on the Coronavirus Pandemic and the Disaster Recovery Grants.
13. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Engineering/Grants Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
14. President Patrick Johnson stated that a public hearing was held regarding the regarding the proposed 3-Way stop at Back Marais and Alvin St., Back Marais and French Lane, Georgette St. and Connie St. and Cancienne and Jerome Court. He stated that no comments were received
15. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury approve adoption of the ordinance for the proposed 3-Way stop at Back Marais and Alvin St., Back Marais and French Lane, Georgette St. and Connie St. and Cancienne and Jerome Court." The motion was unanimously adopted. (ordinance attached)
16. President Patrick Johnson recognized Margo Castro, 4-H Agent, who presented the Jury with the annual report and requested that the Jury contact her with any questions that may have. She then stated that the Horticulture could not attend but the report is included. She continued to say that many of the 4-H events were either postponed or cancelled due to COVID. She stated that the shooting sports team did very well and attended regionals. 10 out of 15 placed at regionals and the 1st time in history of Assumption Parish we have 2 individuals that have made the Louisiana State Shooting Team and they will be competing at nationals in Nebraska. She then stated that if there is anything she can assist the Parish with anything involving the youth of the Parish please let her know. She then recognized Agent Maria Gonzales, who gave a brief history of herself. She stated that her role requires her to do healthy community projects as well overseeing the nutrition educator. She stated that it's important for the Parish to know that we are one of six (6) parishes that are identified as having a high obesity rate. She added that it's

not a proud title but it has federal dollars attached to it. She then stated that the funds are provided by the CDC and further explained how the Jury fits in. She further asked that any interested person be referred to her because the funds are available. Ms. Gonzales stated that she meets monthly with a group to come up with ideas to use the funds because she is having a hard time networking with people that have ideas. In response, she stated that she's not sure of the total but it's a multimillion dollar grant the LSU Ag Center was granted and it's shared with 6 other parishes. She stated that she can't request a certain amount but she can say what the project is and if it's doable, they will determine the amount. She also stated that it may be possible that the park in Pierre Part may be eligible for more lighting. Following a brief discussion, Ms. Gonzales presented her contact information and stated that if it promotes health, it will be considered. She further invited any other interested Juror to sit in on the meetings that are held virtually. Margo Castro stated that they normally take kids to 4-H camp but it was cancelled due to weather damages. She then stated that this year camp is coming to Assumption Parish on June 9, 2021. She then asked that any information regarding the vaccine that the Parish wants the Parents to be aware of, they can distribute at this time. She thanked the Jury for all they do and asked that she be contacted if information is needed. In response, Mrs. Castro stated that on a normal basis her enrollment is from 700-900 kids but this year she went into the public schools at a limited basis in November due to COVID and it was a little different. She also stated that the entire state level number is down because of this reason.

17. President Patrick Johnson recognized Mrs. Celeste Jackson, who reiterated about the high water in Belle Rose and requested help.
18. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard stated that he knows everyone is seeing the influx of the poppy weed that is clogging up all of the ditches. He then stated that there is a certain chemical that kills this weed therefore, he has requested the Parish Manager to spray the ditches before sweeping so the weeds are not just transported to other areas, He also stated that the weeds are chocking up the drainage canals as well so killing that will assist with drainage.
19. President Patrick Johnson recognized Arthur Boudreaux, 250 Rue De Beauville, who stated that he previously discussed recycling waste tires and presented information. He then requested an update of what direction the Parish is going regarding. In response, President Johnson stated that the Solid Waste Chairman is working on the matter and the price that was obtained was a little pricey. Mr. Boudreaux stated that he contacted the mayor regarding the situation and was told that 80% of the tires he collected came from the litter abatement crew. He then stated that he contacted BTNEP and was told that they picked up more that 500 tires in one bin at a cost of \$2,400. He then stated that the tire problem is real and something needs to be done immediately. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that no official permit is needed for local government but a form has to be completed and a plan is needed. She further stated that the location has to be maned, a specific day is needed and a time along with a selected provider to pick up the tires. She also stated that the tire sweep can be done as often as needed but the Parish doesn't have the man power to handle this all the time and the funding. In response, Mr. Boudreaux stated how Lafourche Parish handles their tire collection and stated that it's done at their facility. A discussion was held regarding the possible tire collection and how often. In response, the Secretary-Treasurer stated that the Solid Waste Contract was just approved and the Jury may have decisions to make following the start up. She then asked if Keep Assumption Beautiful would consider seeking the same grant that BTNEP received for tire removal? A brief discussion was then held regarding how often would this be considered.
20. President Patrick Johnson recognized Jane Boudreaux, who stated that she has three (3) cigarette butt containers to put at the bayou side beautification project. In response, the Parish Engineer advised that they not be placed there until the project is turned over to the Parish. A brief discussion was then held regarding the meeting being live streamed. The ADA informed that if you don't have a mechanism to receive public comments, it would be violating the open meetings law.
21. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the re-appointment of Natalie Richard to the Labadieville Recreation District for a 5 yr. term." The motion was unanimously adopted.
22. Police Juror Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the installation of thee (3) lights between Cypress and Longwood on Lanier St." The motion was unanimously adopted.
23. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury approve an occupational license for Vicky's Bayou L'ourse Deli, LLC." The motion was unanimously adopted.
24. Police Juror Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the Police Jury approve a liquor license application for Victoria Leblanc." The motion was unanimously adopted.
25. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Assumption Parish Police Jury, the meeting be adjourned." The motion was unanimously adopted.

Kim M. Torres
Secretary-Treasurer

Patrick Johnson
President

On a motion by Mr. Myron Matherne, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the re-appointment of Ms. Natalie Richard as board member of the Labadieville Recreation District for a 5 yr. term to expire 6/12/26.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: Irving Comeaux, Jeff Naquin

On a motion by Mr. Jamie Ponville, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the re-appointment of all board members on the Lower Belle River Gravity Drainage District #12 with terms to expire June 9, 2026:

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas:	7
Nays:	0
Absent:	Irving Comeaux, Jeff Naquin

On a motion by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the President, Patrick Johnson, to sign the Engineering Contract with GIS Engineering, LLC for Phase II of the Drainage Master Plan.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 7
Nays: 0
Absent: Irving Comeaux, Jeff Naquin

On a motion by Mr. Ron Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the hiring of Mr. Aaron Landry, Master Equipment Operator, at a Grade 5 Step 12, \$15.25 per hour, effective 5/27/2021.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: Irving Comeaux, Jeff Naquin

On a motion by Mr. Ron Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby amend its Personnel Manual to provide for the changes as presented in the Public Meeting on May 26, 2021 relative to the following:

- Amend **Section 7.5: DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY**

Sub-Section G:3: Any employee directly involved in an **accident/incident (not limited to just automobile accidents)** that occur during the course and scope of an employee's employment **SHALL** be required to submit to a drug and alcohol testing if:

- a. The accident may have involved the employee's drug or alcohol use and the employee's action or inaction may have been a causative factor; or
- b. The accident results in or causes the release of hazardous waste as defines by LA RS 30:2173 (2) or hazardous materials as defined by LA RS 32:1502 (5); or
- c. The accident results in a fatality or bodily injury.

- Amend **Section 5.7: WORKER'S COMPENSATION**

Add statement in between first paragraph and second paragraph:

Any employee injured on the job MUST report the incident/injury to his or her immediate supervisor immediately and on the day of the incident/injury. If the immediate supervisor is not available, then the incident should be reported to the Assistant Parish Manager. Failure to properly report the incident/injury on the date of occurrence SHALL result in the inability for the incident/injury to qualify as a Worker's Compensation claim. Employee then shall be responsible for all medical costs and missed time from work outside of the Worker's Compensation plan.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 7
Nays: 0
Absent: Irving Comeaux, Jeff Naquin

On a motion by Mr. Ron Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby terminate the employment of the following “as needed” APCC Event Workers who are no longer needed to staff the facility effective 5/27/2021:

- Curtis Rainey
- Christina Aucoin
- LaShonta Dupard
- Tywana Dupard

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: Jeff Naquin, Irving Comeaux

On a motion by Mr. Jamie Ponville, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the renewal of the contract with South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority for the continued outpatient assessment and treatment services for inmates for a 1 yr. term to expire on June 30, 2022.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: Irving Comeaux, Jeff Naquin

On a motion by Mr. Jamie Ponville, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize its President, Patrick Johnson to sign the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Assumption Mental Health & Rehabilitation relative to the usage of the APCC gymnasium for Senior Olympics July 1, 2021 free of charge while they will provide the necessary insurance, staff to set-up and clean-up of the facility after usage.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: Irving Comeaux, Jeff Naquin

On a motion by Mr. Ron Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve a 3-Way Stop at Back Marais and Alvin Street, Back Marais and French Lane, Georgette Street and Connie Street and Cancienne Street and Jerome Court.

Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas:	7
Nays:	0
Absent:	Irving Comeaux, Jeff Naquin
Abstain:	0