

Drainage Committee Meeting
Of the
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, June 9, 2021
5:00 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. Other Police Jurors recoded as present were: Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Michael Dias.
2. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve replacing Eric Pipsair with Josh Hebert and Gary Ellis with Nikki Lacoste on the Oakridge Drainage District for a 5 yr. term." The motion was unanimously adopted.
3. Police Juror Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Irving Comeaux, "THAT, the committee approve the reappointment of Delanie Simoneaux on the Knotts Drainage District for a 5 yr. term." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Chairman Jamie Ponville recognized the Parish Manager, who stated that for the last 2-3 weeks they were unable to get any projects done due to the weather conditions. He stated that if the weather continues to clear, they will begin to work on scheduled projects. The OHSEP Director stated that the recovery process will start next week. Committee member Myron Matherne stated that he would like to keep the pump on Verda St. until a new pump is purchased and connected and utilize drainage funds for payment. Chairman Jamie Ponville requested that the OHSEP Director request inmate labor or National Guard assistance for the recovery process. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that a similar issue at Pierre Part Settlement Drainage exist relative to the rental that's keeping the area dry. He requested some guidance as to how to handle keeping that area dry also. Chairman Jamie Ponville stated that there are other pumps in the parish that are paid from different funds therefore, help should be rendered to the Pierre Part area. In response, the Secretary-Treasurer stated that the payment of those pumps from General Fund date back for many years and suggested that those pumps can be removed and paid from drainage. Following a brief discussion, Chairman Jamie Ponville stated that the repair cost was about \$90,000, legal fees about the same therefore, he would suggest doing nothing because the Parish won't benefit.
5. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve removing all drainage bills paid from General Fund to the Drainage Fund." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. A brief discussion was then held regarding the intention of the drainage fund tax and what it's being used for. In response, Chairman Jamie Ponville stated that a suggestion was made to require the homeowners to share the culvert installation cost.
7. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve keeping the 6" pump on Verda St. for the next three (3) months at a cost of \$1,100 a month to be allocated from the drainage fund." The motion was unanimously adopted.
8. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that the pump at Pierre Part Settlement Drainage District is needed until the pump is repaired. He then stated that there is an issue with the Retro Fit pumps that have a manufacturer defect and the pump he is having the trouble with is one of those pumps. He added that the longer the Parish neglects to have the work done to these pumps the larger the bill will get. In response, the Parish Engineer stated that a report was sent to the Jury based on their investigation. He stated that the pump manufacturer sold defective equipment that could not be determined unless the pump was pulled apart. He stated that the information was presented to the DA who stated that he saw a legal action against the manufacturer that would take some time however, since the Jury had not expended any money to repair the pumps there were no damages for him to seek. He then stated that up until this time, the Jury has not taken any actions towards this matter. In response, the Paish Engineer stated that he would take each pump, tear it down, determine what is or what is not defective in each and present a cost. He again requested directions from the Jury because he knows there are issues regarding the pumps. As far as the cost of each, he stated that each one is different. A brief discussion was then held regarding the date the letter was drafted to the Jury. The Parish Engineer stated that he will provide a copy of the letter to the ADA and all data collected. A brief discussion was held relative to keeping the ring levee around Hwy 70 as well as the pump and the pump at Pierre Part Settlement District for 3 months.
9. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve keeping the 6" pump on Hwy 70 and Pierre Part Settlement for the next three (3) months at a cost of \$1,100 a month to be allocated for the drainage fund." The motion was unanimously adopted.
10. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$750 for 171 Frank Lane Culvert Replacement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.

11. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve \$440 for 135 Dupaty Lane Culvert Replacement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
12. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$440 for Dupaty Lane Outfall Sweeping Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
13. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve \$3,650 for 4220 Hwy 1 Outfall Repair Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
14. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve \$1,070 for 5333, 5339 and 5347 Hwy 1 Culvert Replacement Projects." The motion was unanimously adopted.
15. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee approve \$600 for Hwy 403 South Side Outfall Sweeping Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
16. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$680 for 466 Hwy 1000 Culvert Replacement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
17. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the committee approve \$440 for 6400 Hwy 1 Culvert Replacement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
18. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$440 for 7455 Hwy 1 Culvert Replacement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
19. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the committee approve \$1,820 for 277, 279 and 280 Belle Rose Lane Culvert Replacement Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
20. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$600 for 3707 Hwy 70 Catchbasin Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
21. Committee member Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve \$1,400 for 562 Belle River Rd. Gate Valves Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
22. Chairman Jamie Ponville recognized committee member Michael Dias, who suggested that the Jury keep the project request to a minimum to allow the Road & Bridge Department to catch up. In response, the Parish Manager thanked the committee for the consideration but did add that if an emergency occurs, he would take care of it.
23. Committee member Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Patrick Johnson, "THAT, the committee approve holding off on drainage projects to allow the Road & Bridge Department to catch up unless it's an emergency." The motion was unanimously adopted.
24. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "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, June 9, 2021
5:20 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Chris Carter, Chairman; Mr. Irving Comeaux, Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Leroy Blanchard, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Patrick Johnson. Other Police Juror recorded as present was: Mr. Myron Matherne.
2. Chairman Chris Carter requested that the committee enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters relative to the salary of the Intake Worker.
3. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee resume regular session." The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. Chairman Chris Carter stated that the committee entered executive session to discuss the salary of the Intake Worker. He stated that the committee agreed to increase her salary from a grade 4 step 24 to a grade 4 step 31 effective July 1, 2021.
6. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "THAT, the committee approve a salary increase for Intake Worker, Markel Buchannan from a grade 4 step 24 to a grade 4 step 31 beginning July 1, 2021." The motion was unanimously adopted.
7. Chairman Chris Carter recognized the Parish Manager, who stated that the equipment operator that was recently hired is doing good. He stated that he would like to advertise for a full-time assistant and another equipment operator. He then stated that he advertised for an electrician but received no applications. The Parish Manager then stated that an incident occurred today and he may need to hire a grass cutter. In response, he also stated that he will be seeking an administrative assistance.
8. Committee member Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the committee approve and authorize the Parish Manager to advertise for maintenance employees." The motion was unanimously adopted.
9. 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

Chris Carter
Personnel Committee Chairman

Finance Committee Meeting
Of the
Assumption Parish Police Jury

Wednesday, June 9, 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 Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the committee approve payment of bills through June 4, 2021." The motion was unanimously adopted.
3. Committee member Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the committee approve (2) CEAs with Dept. of Veterans Affairs for continued services for FY 2020-2022 and authorize the President to sign." The motion was unanimously adopted.
4. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Dias, "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, June 9 2021
5:30 O'clock p.m.

1. Committee members recorded as present were: Mr. Irving Comeaux, Chairman; Mr. Leroy Blanchard Mr. Ron Alcorn, Mr. Michael Dias, Mr. Jamie Ponville, Mr. Patrick Johnson. Other Police Juror recorded as present were: Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Myron Matherne.
2. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized Jacob Loeske, GIS Engineering, who stated that they have been inundated and changed course to ring levees due to the weather event. He stated that efforts are being made to get something accomplished. He stated that they worked in Bayou L'Ourse and completed some surveys but still need to get back in the area. He stated that they have been running with 2-3 crews to make up for the time of the rain event. A lot of their focus was the swamp and low lying area (Belle River and Pierre Part Bay). He informed the committee that he will do a map of what's been done, where it has been done, etc. Mr. Loeske stated that he spoke about staff gauging but he thinks it may help if they set, date and monitor them so the Jury would have all the data. He listed the areas in which they should be placed to be effective. They don't want to recommend a project or do any improvements if the model is trash.
3. Police Juror Jeff Naquin entered the meeting at this time.
4. Mr. Loeske stated that getting the model validated and correct is very important. He then stated that before they do anything, they will provide the Jury with a cost estimate for the materials. He then stated that they were invited to a meeting at the Pierre Part Store and the executive director of the St. Mary Levee Board Mr. Tim Matte presented the Bayou Chene Flood Gate Project and some of the operations and the triggers of what is what and what will stem with the closure. Questions arose from this information relative to the 9" differential between the lake and Morgan City back in 2011 to present. He stated that all of the data designed on the flood gate is based off of 2011 data. He then stated that action item is for the Parish to work with St. Mary Levee Board to get a recommendation of what they feel would be the trigger point. In response, committee member Leroy Blanchard stated an example that in 2011 when the Atchafalaya River reached 5.8 ft. Lake Verrett was at 2.78 ft, which means the Notice to Closure would be when Lake Verrett would be right under 3 ft. and closed when Morgan City reaches 1 ft. higher and before we reach the No Wake Zone. He then stated that currently at 5.8 ft. in Morgan City we are reaching the No Wake Zone before the notice of intent to close is sent out. The Parish is already in a No Wake Zone in the lake. He then stated that the river is silted up and the water is backing up higher every year which is causing the water in the lake to get higher faster. Mr. Blanchard stated that he asked Mr. Matte what's the process for re-evaluating to get it closed or lowered because the Parish will need to have it closed sooner. He further stated that everyone must know that this is a problem and it must be corrected. In response, Chairman Irving Comeaux also stated that there is a very serious problem and explained the two ways (Bayou Boeuf, Donner Canal) water has to get out. He then stated that Terrebonne has Donner Canal blocked off with sheet piles which could be causing Lake Palourde to be higher. A brief discussion was held regarding the blockage and how long it has been blocked. Following the discussion, the committee asked Mr. Loeske to look into the matter. In response, the OHSEP Director stated that some conversations that were held didn't get to the Corp of Engineers because they didn't want to hamper the process of obtaining the federal funding. He stated what was suggested and recommended that the procedure be changed for when the notice of intent to close is sent. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated that this procedure needs to be in place before next spring. He then suggested that a letter be sent to the St. Mary Levee District requesting that they re-evaluate the operational plan for gate closure to help keep Lake Verrett Basin below No Wake Zone level.
5. Committee member Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the committee approve sending a letter to St. Mary Levee District to re-evaluate the operational plan for gate closure to help keep Lake Verrett Basin below No Wake Zone level." The motion was unanimously adopted.
6. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized committee member Jamie Ponville, who stated that the final permit was received to begin the Oak Lane Levee Project. He thanked the Parish Engineer and the Sheriff for their assistance.
7. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized committee member Michael Dias, who stated that he would like to obtain soil samples to elevate the bulkhead at the Attakapas Landing. A brief discussion was then held regarding the previous work done and the limited funding at that time. Committee member Leroy Blanchard stated what transpired at a previous meeting and stated that a scoping project is needed to understand the problem at the Landing to get an accurate estimate of what is needed before entering into a contract with an engineer. In response, the Parish Engineer stated that his firm can do the scoping if the Jury so chooses and stated that he can find out what the Geo Technical cost would be and submit a budget and a preliminary scope of work based on a design stand point and a general proposed construction with the understanding that it may be adjusted based on the soil samples and the final design determination being made. A

brief discussion was held regarding the Attakapas Landing Renovation Project, what it entails and the reason. The Parish Engineer briefly explained what the soil samples would tell and how to move forward. Following the discussion, the committee agreed that a scope is needed to get an estimate and understand what is out there. In response, the Parish Engineer stated that he can either submit a scope or do geo technical only and go from there. He then stated that he needs some directions from the Parish. A brief discussion was then held regarding the original scope documents held by CJ Savoie Engineering. Following a brief discussion, the Parish Engineer stated that he can write up a scope of what is needed for the geo technical services and the Jury can direct him from there authorizing his firm to get a price based on the scope from a geo technical firm separate or if they want a contract through CJ Savoie with a design.

8. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the committee authorized the Parish Engineer to scope the Attakapas Landing Renovation Project." The motion was unanimously adopted.
9. Chairman Irving Comeaux recognized the OHSEP Director, who stated that the data came out today on the Coronavirus percentage for Assumption Parish and it's up to 9.4% from 7.6% last week. He then stated that we are one of the highest in the State of Louisiana. He then stated the positive cases in Assumption Parish is 2,299 with 36 deaths. He stated that the vaccination is at 25% showing that very little are occurring. He further informed that the Health Unit is administering vaccines twice a week and the Hospital Rural Health Clinic. The OHSEP Director then informed the Jury that they are moving the vaccine around the state so none are lost due to expiration. He then encouraged everyone to stress the importance of getting vaccinated.
10. The OHSEP Director proceeded with the update on the Disaster Recovery Grants;
 - Cancienne Canal – The is expected to be complete in two (2) weeks if the weather permits.
 - Marais Sewer Project – Project is completed except load test on the generator.
 - Sewer Generator Project – Waiting to perform the testing on the generators. Once done, they will be turned over to the Parish.
 - Hazardous Mitigation Waterworks Safe Room Project – Project is in design phase and should be ready to submit by the end of the month to FEMA.
11. The Parish Manager stated that the Beautification Project is complete and he is working with DOTD. He stated that he and the Parish Manager did a walk through and created a punch list of some things that need to be done. He stated that the issue they are having now is the back and forth with DOTD because their online payment system has had the Parish locked out for three months. He then stated that he has finally gotten access to enter some invoices to draw down the funds but waiting on DOTD to approve the invoices that have been uploaded. Once that's done, a final walk through can be scheduled with DOTD. He also stated that a dollar value will be assigned to the punch list items and the contractor will have 45 days to complete. In response, he stated that if everything doesn't move smoothly, they will go to DOTD and input all invoices to assure that the project gets closed out.
12. Committee member Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "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

Irving Comeaux, Chairman
Engineering/Grants Committee

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 Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Chris Carter, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the minutes of May 26, 2021" The motion was unanimously adopted.
5. President Patrick Johnson recognized Drainage Committee Chairman Jamie Ponville, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters: replacing Eric Pipsair with Josh Hebert and Gary Ellis with Nikki Lacoste on the Oakridge Drainage District for a 5 yr. term, the reappointmen oft Delanie Simoneaux on the Knotts Drainage District for a 5 yr. term, received an update on current drainage projects and provide pumps for Wards 7, 8 and 9 for 3 months, \$750 for 171 Frank Lane Culvert Replacement Project, \$440 for 135 Dupaty Lane Culvert Replacement Project, \$440 for Dupaty Lane Outfall Sweeping Project, \$3,650 for 4220 Hwy 1 Outfall Repair Project, \$1,070 for 5333, 5339 and 5347 Hwy 1 Culvert Replacement Projects, \$600 for Hwy 403 South Side Outfall Sweeping Project, \$680 for 466 Hwy 1000 Culvert Replacement Project, \$440 for 6400 Hwy 1 Culvert Replacement Project, \$440 for 7455 Hwy 1 Culvert Replacement Project, \$1,820 for 277, 279 and 280 Belle Rose Lane Culvert Replacement Projects, \$600 for 3707 Hwy 70 Catchbasin Project, \$1,400 for 562 Belle River Rd. Gate Valves Project and holding off on drainage projects to allow the Road & Bridge Department to catch up unless it's an emergency.
6. Police Juror Jamie Ponville offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Drainage Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolutions attached)
7. President Patrick Johnson recognized Personnel Committee Chairman Chris Carter, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters; salary increase for Intake Worker from a grade 4 step 24 to a grade 4 step 31 and authorize the Parish Manager to hire four (4) new employees.
8. Police Juror Chris Carter offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Personnel Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
9. President Patrick Johnson stated that the Finance Committee met and recommended the following matters: payment of bills submitted through June 4, 2021 and approve (2) CEA's with the Department of Veterans Affairs for continued services for FY 2020-2022." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
10. President Patrick Johnson recognized Engineering/Grants Committee Chairman Irving Comeaux, who stated that the committee met and recommended the following matters; received an update on the Drainage Master Plan & Flood Mitigation Project by GIS Engineering and approved to send a letter to St. Mary Levee District to reevaluate the closure plan of the barge in Bayou Chene, received an update on the Oak Lane Levee Project, authorized the Parish Engineer to do the scoping of the Attakapas Landing Renovation Project, received an update on the Coronavirus and the Disaster Recovery Grants.
11. Police Juror Irving Comeaux offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, "THAT, the Police Jury approve the Engineering/Grants Committee report as presented." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
12. 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 Brad Diaz, 220 Bayou Drive, Pierre Part, who began by presenting budget numbers, expenditures and ending budget figures for the Parish and suggested that the Parish has money. In response, the Secretary-Treasurer stated that those figures are in the ball park but some of those funds are restricted. He then stated that the Jurors inherited a mess, explained his reason for stating that which included how his property was affected. In response, Police Juror Irving Comeaux commented that the area is sinking 1 ft. every 30 years which could be the problem. Mr. Diaz stated that regardless of what the problem is the challenge is still in front of us. He then asked that the Jury consider

giving the places in Wards 8 & 9 and Belle Rose some attention. He spoke about areas in Ward 8 that need much attention and begged the Jury to find the money to assist. He then spoke about the Pierre Part Bay bank and other areas where levees have been built but stated that the water still crosses the road. He further stated that he is watching what Juror Ponville does and stated that he is on the right track but needs more funds to do what needs to be done. Mr. Diaz stated that Congressman Garrett Graves is a busy man and providing funds to the different parishes except Assumption Parish. He asked if there is a point person for the Parish to go after federal funds? In response, Police Juror Ron Alcorn stated that the development of the Master Drainage Plan will allow the Parish to go after the funding that it needs. Mr. Diaz informed that this is not a parish problem and stated all the areas that are included in this challenge. He asked if the Parish is in need of a committee to work on their behalf to plead for what is needed for Assumption Parish. Following a brief discussion, Mr. Diaz stated that 2 yrs from now can be too late and the Jury will allow the problems to exist and the Parish has money with some restrictions. President Patrick Johnson thanked Mr. Diaz for his passion shown and stated that Juror Ponville as well as all others are working towards the same goal. He also mentioned the Master Drainage Plan and stated that Police Juror Leroy Blanchard and Mrs. Beryl Gomez have been in contact with Congressman Graves. Mr. Diaz stated that there is a work around for everything and what he is asking is that the Police Jury release more money and make concessions for the things that Wards 8, 9 and Belle Rose need. In response, Police Juror Jamie Ponville stated that the Parish Engineer submitted a map of Wards 8 & 9 consolidated drainage district that he will try and adopt and once that's done it will have to go before the people for a vote. The Secretary-Treasurer briefly explained the process. Mr. Diaz thanked the Jury for their time and commended Police Juror Leroy Blanchard for his lead in the right direction. In response, Police Juror Leroy Blanchard informed what the Parish learned in Phase 1 of the Master Drainage Plan is that we have 2 defined problems. The two defined problems are riverine drainage and regional backwater flooding. The solution to the riverine drainage problem is a parish issue, the solution to the backwater flooding will require a regional effort. He also stated that some of the federal funds that are being sent down are available for Region 6 and can be used for regional projects in the area.

President Patrick Johnson recognized Beryl Gomez, 664 Michel Rd. who stated that relative to St. Mary Levee District. 2.0 is still too high to gauge something for water level in the Belle River areas. She stated that when the area receives any kind of rain fall the area jumps ½ - 1 ft. She then asked that the triggers be reanalyzed to a lower number and let the system work or if it's too low then the triggers can be raised. If you go through all the work to have it permitted, make sure it's at a number that will still benefit the Parish.

President Patrick Johnson recognized Carol Aucoin, 1023 Belle River Rd. who stated that there is urgency throughout the area as well as the parishes following the rain event. She then asked what progress the Parish is making with DOTD acknowledging the roads? She stated that it's beyond pot holes, it's broken pavement and the vehicles of the parish have to utilize them. She asked what was being addressed with DOW Chemical along Hwy 70?

At this time, President Patrick Johnson informed the public that the public comments period is for comments not for debate and this time is being taken out of perspective.

Mr. Aucoin stated that with hurricane season approaching her concerns would be how is the Parish prepared to approach another rain event.

The ADA asked that the perspective Juror be contacted or put the concern in writing and a response will be prepared at the following meeting.

13. President Patrick Johnson recognized the Secretary-Treasurer, who stated that Resolution No. 1 is the tax mills for the parish. She proceeded to list the inclusions and stated that it was being posed for adoption. She then stated that we are not rolling forward and keeping the assessment at our maximum which is where it was last year.
14. Police Juror Myron Matherne offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the Police Jury approve adoption of the millage rates for the tax year 2021 (Resolution No. 1)." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
15. The Secretary-Treasurer then stated that Resolution No. 2 covers other authorized millages and taxes including the drainage districts. She proceeded to list the inclusions and stated that the assessments that were chosen by the districts have been outlined as presented. In response, Police Juror Irving Comeaux stated that the Bayou L'Ourse Drainage District mills should be 60 and not 50. He stated that they are currently not making it at 60 so he knows they won't at 50. He further stated that they were supposed to raise it to 65. He then asked that the resolution be tabled until the next meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer informed the Jury that all of the districts are sent an assessment form to evaluate their district needs and forward back to her. She then stated that she receives very few therefore, the amount that was assessed the prior year is what is carried forward.
16. Police Juror Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the Police Jury approve tabling resolution No. 2 until the next meeting." The motion was unanimously adopted.
17. President Patrick Johnson recognized Vic Lafont, SLEC, 322 Audubon Ave, Thibodaux, who thanked the Jury for allowing him to make the presentation. He stated that he has been working with Juror Ron Alcorn and Jeff Naquin. He then commended the Parish for seeking to hire a Grants/Economic Development Coordinator. He stated that the Parish needs to know what's available, what the Parish can participate in and what we are the benefactor of. He stated that

they are present to let the Parish know what they are doing, how they can assist and to pledge their support and ongoing assistance they can provide. He then stated that SLEC is an Economic Development Office housed at Nicholls State University that works with several parishes and if you sought his office you are interested in starting a business, expand a business, relocate to the area or to grow into other markets nationally, internationally, or business recovery. He presented the Jury with the quarterly business perimeter which includes what's going on in our region (agriculture, seafood, oil and gas). He stated that the only change since the report came out is that the oil and gas jobs have not increased nor decreased and the price of oil will decrease some. Mr. Lafont then stated that he has Deanna Lafont, District Representative for Entergy, Lacey Melancon, Coastal Technical Assistance Center, Kevin Pitts, Bayou Region Incubator and Cody Blanchard, White Car.

Diana LaFont, 2587 Hwy 1, Labadieville, stated that Entergy provides additional support for SLEC and assists with recruitment. She then stated that they are focusing on certified site development which includes identifying sites of land that are suitable for industrial development and that are shovel ready for commercial use.

Lacey Melancon, Coastal Technical Assistance Center, 322 Audubon Ave, Thibodaux, stated this is a new program recently established and supported by LA Economic Development and CPRA and housed in the SLEC building. She stated that they assist small LA based businesses in getting part of any coastal work throughout the coastal parishes. Assist in obtaining and, awarding contracts and keeping more money in the state.

Kevin Pitts, Executive Director of the Bayou Region Incubator, stated that if anyone has an idea to start up a small business he is there to assist. He stated that coming to him would save on rent and on resources (consulting, etc) because they want the young companies to spend their money on selling their product, He then stated that they subsidize much of the start up cost for any small business.

Cody Blanchard, founder of White Car, stated that they serve as a consultant for special projects and communications for the Economic Council. He stated that they applied for a program with LED who had \$3 million available and stated that they received some funding. He then stated that with the funding received, they will be launching different initiatives and part of that will be to host one event in each parish of the region. He also stated that they will offer assistance to start up companies to launch their business (marketing, website, legal, etc.). He further stated that they have not given up and are exploring some additional opportunities that are available and very optimistic that they will get fully funded in the next cycle.

Vic Lafont thanked the Jury for allowing them to address the Jury and give a brief summary of what they have to offer and look forward to returning.

18. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, "THAT, the Police Jury approve reappointing Robbie Guillot for a 5 yr. term on Ward 1 Recreation District." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
19. Police Juror Leroy Blanchard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Alcorn, "THAT, the Police Jury approve an occupational license for 13 Stars & Bars, LLC, T-Poobie's Kids and Thrifts and Gifts, LLC." The motion was unanimously adopted.
20. President Patrick Johnson recognized Police Juror Ron Alcorn, who stated that the Parish Engineer has contacted and was in touch with each Juror and working on the adjustments to bring the program within budget. He stated that a preconstruction meeting is set for next week. In addition, the Parish Engineer stated that he is making a full booklet showing all of the adjustments and where they are proposing the budget to be to have the Overlay Program underbudget.
21. Police Juror Ron Alcorn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the Police Jury approve adding the following matters to the agenda." The motion was unanimously adopted.
22. President Patrick Johnson recognized the OHSEP Director, who stated that the declaration of the 5 Parishes that have been declared is for individual assistance. He stated that the process is for everyone that received damages to go on line and submit their damages. He stated that Assumption Parish has had 9 individuals to submit and of the 9, we have 0 destroyed, 0 majors, 5 minors, 0 affected, 1 unaffected and 3 didn't provide pictures to get validated into the system. Therefore, Assumption Parish didn't get a declaration for individual assistance. He stated that it's not over and they are still in process but if the numbers don't change, individual assistance will not get declared for the Parish. The OHSEP Director then stated that we are 1 of 8 parishes working to do a preliminary damage assessment for public assistance. He stated that a conference call was held today and an individual call will be held tomorrow to submit the damages to FEMA and the State. He further stated that it will be very challenging because there is a threshold that the Parish must make but the State has to make it as well. The OHSEP Director stated that they will work hard to get a declaration but the possibility of not getting one is there. He proceeded to mention the estimates received and stated that he submitted \$275,000 of direct (invoices that Parish must pay) and indirect (labor, equipment, pump system, long term) costs. He stated that overall the Parish has met their threshold but if the State doesn't there is a lot of costs that the Parish will have to decide where it will be budgeted from.
23. President Patrick Johnson recognized Police Juror Jeff Naquin, who stated that the authorized signature for the LGAP and CWF request for payments needs to be changed to Patrick Johnson.

24. President Patrick Johnson requested comments, questions or concerns regarding the request to change the signature for LGAP and CWEF request for payment. Following three (3) calls there were no comments received.
25. Police Juror Michael Dias offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Myron Matherne, "THAT, the Police Jury approve and authorize changing the authorized signature from Jeff Naquin to Patrick Johnson for the LGAP and CWEF request for payment." The motion was unanimously adopted. (resolution attached)
26. Police Juror Jeff Naquin offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Michael Das, "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. Jamie Ponville, seconded by Mr. Leroy Blanchard, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the replacement of Eric Pipsair and Gary Ellis (due to them no longer residing within the district) with Niki Lacoste and Joshua Hebert to fulfill the unexpired terms as indicated:

Niki Lacoste	5 yrs.	5-14-23
Joshua Hebert	5 yrs.	5-14-23

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

Yeas: 9
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the re-appointment of Mr. Robbie Guillot as board member of the Ward 1 Recreation District to serve an additional 5 yr. term to expire on 7/11/2026.

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

Yeas: 9
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the re-appointment of the following board members of Knotts Subdivision Gravity Drainage District #11:

Delaine Simoneaux	5 yrs.	9/26/25
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Upon being placed to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

Yeas: 9

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assumption Parish Police Jury approves and authorizes its President, Patrick Johnson, to sign the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs relative to the continued commitment of both parties respective to fiscal, operational and maintenance obligations of the Veterans Service Office in Assumption Parish for the calendar year of 2021 (\$14,232) and 2022 (\$14,395).

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

Yeas:	9
Nays:	0
Absent:	0

On a motion by Mr. Irving Comeaux, and seconded by Mr. Jamie Ponville, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve the Parish Engineer to provide a scope of services needed for Geotechnical services for Attakapas Landing to include the original soil data obtained in the past.

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

Yeas:	9
Nays:	0
Absent:	0
Abstain:	0

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve a 9-step increase for the Intake Worker, Markel Buchanan, bringing her to a Grade 4 Step 31, \$18.99/hr., to be effective 7/1/2021.

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

Yeas: 9
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assumption Parish Police Jury does hereby approve and authorize the changing of the authorized signature from Jeff Naquin to Patrick Johnson for the LGAP & CWEF Requests for Payments.

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

Yeas: 9
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

On a motion by Mr. Myron Matherne, and seconded by Mr. Jeff Naquin, the following resolution was adopted:
RESOLUTION NO. 1

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2021 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the Assumption Parish Police Jury:

	<u>MILLAGE</u>
General Alimony	4.41 mills
Road Lighting District No. 1	15.00 mills
Road Lighting District No. 1 Consolidated	10.00 mills
Council on Aging	3.50 mills
Recreation District No. 1	3.00 mills
Council on Aging	1.00 mills
Cooperative Extension Service	1.00 mills
Library	2.00 mills
Recreation District No. 2	6.00 mills
Fire Protection District Consolidated	5.00 mills
Public Buildings & Governmental Facilities	1.00 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of ASSUMPTION, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2021, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Ron Alcorn, Jeff Naquin, Irving Comeaux, Patrick Johnson, Michael Dias, Chris Carter,
Leroy Blanchard, Jamie Ponville, Myron Matherne
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the board meeting held on June 9, 2021, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

NAPOLÉONVILLE, Louisiana, this 10th day of June, 2021.

Secretary-Treasurer