Police Jury Meeting, Police Jury Room March 19, 2025 Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on March 19, 2025, with Vice-President Chad Vallo presiding.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Chad Vallo, who asked Mr. Shane Meaux to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the pledge, the Vice-President asked Mr. Ronald Darby for a moment of prayer or reflection. The Vice-President then reminded all present to turn all cell phones, pagers, etc. off or set to silent mode for the duration of the Police Jury Meeting.

The following members were present:

	Mr. Dane Hebert	Mr. Shane Meaux
	Mr. Brent Landry	Mr. Ronald Darby
	Ms. Liz Touchet	Mr. Roy Keith Meaux
	Mr. Errol J. Domingues	Mr. Chad Lege
	Mr. Ronald Menard	Mr. Scott Broussard
	Mr. Dexter Callahan	Mr. Brian Hollier
	Mr. Chad Vallo	
Absent:	Mr. Mark Poche`	
Guest:	Mr. Kim Touchet	Mr. Gene Sellers, Sr.
	Mr. Todd Vincent	<i>,</i>

Vice-President Vallo recognized a period for public comment on any agenda item to be considered.

No comments.

Vice-President Vallo recognized Reading or Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting- Regular Meeting of February 19, 2025.

Upon motion by Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Dexter Callahan, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to dispense and approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 19, 2025.

Vice-President Vallo recognized to consider action to amend the agenda to discuss and consider actions on any new items presented by Engineering and Architectural reports. Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Ms. Liz Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to amend the agenda to discuss and consider actions on any new items presented by Engineering and Architectural reports.

Mr. Todd Vincent, Sellers & Associates, Inc., presented the following:

Upon motion by Mr. Brent Landry, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Borrow Pit Application for BOCO Properties, LLC, ED3.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Drilling Permit No. 1846-D for Dunn Exploration Company, LLC, ED9, subject to Sellers & Associates inspection of the parish road and a recommendation of a bond.

Upon motion by Mr. Scott Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to award the lowest bidder, Southern Constructors, LLC – Abbeville Area Vermilion River Bridge Debris Barrier Systems (base bid), in the amount of \$680,000.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Scott Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Change Order No. 1, Southern Constructors, LLC - Abbeville Area Vermilion River Bridge Debris Barrier Systems, deleting General Decision LA 202400004: Modification No. 4 and replace with the current General Decision LA20250004: Modification No. 1.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to amend the agenda.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Drilling Permit No. 1845-D for LLOX, LLC, ED8.

Mr. Kim Touchet, Primeaux, Touchet & Associates, presented the following:

Upon motion by Mr. Dexter Callahan, duly seconded by Mr. Brian Hollier, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Partial Payment No. 4, L&R Construction Co., Inc. – 2022 Bridge Improvement Project: Phase III – Andrus, Hilton, Scanlon, Wright & Aaron Rd Bridges, in the amount of \$176,405.50. Along with authorizing the President to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion.

Vice-President Vallo recognized Report of Standing Committees, Coastal Protection/Restoration Committee.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly second by Mr. Chad Lege, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to accept the Coastal Protection/Restoration Committee recommendations and authorize the appropriate officials to carry out the recommendations.

COASTAL PROTECTION & RESTORATION COMMITTEE MARCH 05, 2025 ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A COASTAL PROTECTION & RESTORATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 05, 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

- 1. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Sellers & Associates, Inc. to request LDENR to wave mitigation for the Schooner Bayou Rehabilitation Project (ME-0039).
- 2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to send a letter to Abbeville Harbor and Terminal to ask them to pursue having the old railroad bridge removed from the river. Along with authorizing Mr. Poche' to bring the old railroad bridge situation to their attention.
- 3. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to accept the recommendation of the H&H Study of the Youngs Coulee Project and place structures at G1 & G3 locations.
- 4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve a Letter of Support for the Audubon Society Restoration Projects.
- 5. It is recommended the Police Jury table the financial support for the Audubon Society.

Respectfully submitted Mr. Errol Domingues Chairman

Vice-President Vallo recognized Report of Standing Committees, Courthouse/General Needs Committee.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Vallo, duly second by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Courthouse/General Needs Committee recommendations and authorize the appropriate officials to carry out the recommendations.

> COURTHOUSE/GENERAL NEEDS COMMITTEE MARCH 05, 2025 ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A COURTHOUSE/GENERAL NEEDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 05, 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

- 1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve a borrow pit near Kaplan with \$100,000.00 bond.
- 2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to inform Dr. Hutchinson to submit the fees for inmate visits at Budget and have Legal Counsel research the payment limits.
- 3. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to appoint Dr. Meeks to the Hospital Service District Board No. 2, replacing Dr. Budden.
- 4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve payment of the following invoices from Sellers & Associates, Inc.:
 - (A) Invoice No. 27835, Project No. 5723-64, Materials for Parish Road Maintenance Contract Period: January 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025: Specifications, Plan out Process, Bid Process, Bid Tabulation Results & Award Process, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$4,000.00.
 - (B) Invoice No. 27836, Project No. 8528-27, Borrow Pit Permits: Review Borrow Pit Application for Submittal – Elyse Farms LLC, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$220.00.
 - (C) Invoice No. 27845, Project No. 9139-64, Approved Subdivision Review: Charter School Coordination, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$250.00.
 - (D) Invoice No. 27846, Project No. 9139-89, Approved Subdivision Review: Review of Legacy Estates Subdivision, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$410.00.
 - (E) Invoice No. 27847, Project No. 9139-93, Approved Subdivision Review: Review of Kevin St. Austin Partition, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$100.00.
 - (F) Invoice No. 27849, Project No. 9139-98, Approved Subdivision Review: Review of Catfish Wholesale Partition, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$510.00.
 - (G) Invoice No. 27850, Project No. 9139-99, Approved Subdivision Review: Review of Landqwest Partition, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$325.00.
 - (H) Invoice No. 27851, Project No. 8528-26, Borrow Pit Permits: Review of Borrow Pit Application for Submittal – Glenn Lege @ 1400 Block of Chemin Agreeable, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$357.50.
 - (I) Invoice No. 27869, Project No. 9632-10, Pond Permits: Review Permit Application for Jody Dubois @ 13343 LA Hwy 699, Maurice, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$225.00.
 - (J) Invoice No. 27832, Project No. 3775-00, Corps of Engineers/Coastal Use Permits; Letters of No Objection Permit (July 2024 – January 2025), dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$1,172.50.

- (K) Invoice No. 27855, Project No. 9237-02, Vermilion Parish Town of Gueydan: HMGP Flood Protection Pump Station Improvements: Grant Management (Post-Award), dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$1,361.00.
- (L) Invoice No. 27856, Project No. 9237-03, Vermilion Parish Town of Gueydan: Flood Protection Engineering Related Services – FEMA HMGP 1786-DR-LA, Project #0095: Basic Engineering Services, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$15,164.00.
- (M) Invoice No. 27857, Project No. 9237-04, Vermilion Parish Town of Gueydan: Flood Protection Engineering Related Services – FEMA HMGP 1786-DR-LA, Project #0095: Topographic Surveys, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$4,825.00.
- (N) Invoice No. 27862, Project No. 9563-04, OCD: Federal Disaster Recovery Funding Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program: Grant Administrative Services (Application Development with Nehemiah Projects of Acadiana, Inc and Application Submittal), dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$6,988.50.
- (O) Invoice No. 27863, Project No. 9563-05, OCD: Federal Disaster Recovery Funding Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program: Grant Administrative Services (Application Development for the Kaplan Community Center Project and Application Submittal), dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$3,803.50.
- (P) Invoice No. 27864, Project No. 9563-06, OCD: Federal Disaster Recovery Funding Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program: Grant Administrative Services (Application Development with VPPJ and Twin Parish Port Commission and Application Submittal), dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$2,966.50.
- (Q) Invoice No. 27866, Project No. 9595-04, Emergency Operations Center (EOC): Grant Administration – Assist the Parish in completing and submitting Formal Application and Agreement to GOHSEP, Coordinate the Completion of FEMA EHP Form and Submittal, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$1,163.00.

Respectfully Submitted, Mr. Chad Vallo Chairman

Vice-President Vallo recognized Report of Standing Committees, Public Works Committee.

Upon motion by Mr. Brent Landry, duly second by Ms. Liz Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Public Works Committee recommendations and authorize the appropriate officials to carry out the recommendations.

> PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MARCH 05, 2025 ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 05, 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

- 1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the usage of two (2) dumpsters for the CCA Banquet Fundraiser for Coastal Conservation, located at 12527 North Road, Erath on May 8, 2025.
- 2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve payment of the following invoices from Sellers & Associates, Inc.:
 - (A) Invoice No. 27833, Project No. 5263-08, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant Non-Compliance Reporting: Processing, Recording and Monitoring of Test Results for Compliance with LPDES Discharge Permit; Prepare Non-Compliance Report/Letter to LDEQ as Needed (June 2024 – January 2025), dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$337.50.
 - (B) Invoice No. 27834, Project No. 5263-18, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant Semi-Annual AR/GMR; Leachate Report; GMR Maintenance; Groundwater Monitoring; Alternate Source Demonstration (September 2024 – January 2025), dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$3,960.00.
 - (C) Invoice No. 27837, Project No. 8645-18, Solid Waste Facility Borrow Pit Project: Progress Survey, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$1,980.00.
 - (D) Invoice No. 27838, Project No. 8645-19, Solid Waste Facility Borrow Pit Project: Contract 6: Processing of Partial Payment Estimates, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$700.00.
 - (E) Invoice No. 27839, Project No. 8937-11, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Height Monitoring: Staking of the Type III Cells and Providing Maps to control Maximum Height of Waste and Revise Final Elevation to Match more closely existing Waste Grades, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$555.00.
 - (F) Invoice No. 27840, Project No. 8937-26, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Area II-B Phases I & II: Locate and Establish (Coordinate) Bearing Distances Control for Top of Waste on Silt Fencing, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$256.25.
 - (G) Invoice No. 27841, Project No. 8937-30, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Perform Survey, Design and Construction Administration of Oxidation Pond (Leachate Control System Phase I) ARPA Funding, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$1,625.00.
 - (H) Invoice No. 27842, Project No. 8937-39, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Permit Modification – New Cell Area III-B, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$10,665.00.
 - Invoice No. 27843, Project No. 8937-44, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Prepare and Submit Permit Modification to increase Disposal Quantity for LDEQ Approval, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$597.50.
 - (J) Invoice No. 27844, Project No. 8937-45, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Prepare Garbage Collection RFP, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$4,337.50.

- (K) Invoice No. 27874, Project No. 9713-01, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Basic Engineering Services – Initial Site Development (Pump/Discharge Piping & Earthwork in NE Corner), dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$13,235.26.
- (L) Invoice No. 27875, Project No. 9713-02, VPSWF Hwy 699 Borrow Pit: Basic Engineering Services Site Development Contract, dated February 24, 2025, in the amount of \$10,566.65.
- 3. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel to send a Blighted Property Letter in regard to the property on Elina Street.

Respectfully Submitted, Mr. Brent Landry Chairman

Vice-President Vallo recognized Report of Standing Committees, Public Road Committee.

Upon motion by Mr. Brian Hollier, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a Resolution for a speed limit of 25mph on Dotsay Road, ED13.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly second by Mr. Brian Hollier, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Public Road Committee recommendations and authorize the appropriate officials to carry out the recommendations.

PUBLIC ROAD COMMITTEE MARCH 05, 2025 ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PARISH ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 05, 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

- 1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Pond Permit #9632-11, Alec Martin, Youngsville, LA, ED3.
- 2. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Sellers & Associates, Inc. and Primeaux, Soirez, Touchet & Associates to submit cost for inspecting ponds.
- 3. It is recommended the Police Jury table to grant Right of Way to the State for a bridge on LA Hwy 339 near Hildago Road .018 acres. Offer of \$99.00.
- 4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to allow District No. 2, Shane Meaux, to borrow for an overlay in the amount of \$84,000.00, with a two (2) year payback.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. Chad Lege Chairman

Vice-President Vallo recognized New Business.

Vice-President Vallo stated to consider action to amend the agenda to discuss and consider actions on any new items presented by the Parish Administrator.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Brian Hollier, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to amend the agenda to discuss and consider actions on any new items by the Parish Administrator.

Mr. Keith Roy, Parish Administrator, presented the following:

Provided to the Police Jurors is the Statement of Operations prior monthly budget-to-actual comparisons for all of the major funds of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly seconded by Mr. Scott Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the FY 26 Appropriations of SW Coastal for Rockefeller Refuge Letter of Support.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Chad Lege, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to move forward to hire the Director of Finance.

Upon motion by Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of the following invoices from Sellers & Associates, Inc.:

- (A) Invoice No. 27876, Project No. 9049-06, Restore Act Freshwater Bayou Canal Shoreline Protection (TV-0079) – Grant Administration, dated February 25, 2025, in the amount of \$1,425.00.
- (B) Invoice No. 27877, Project No. 9049-10, Restore Act Freshwater Bayou Canal Shoreline Protection (TV-0079) – Permitting, dated February 25, 2025, in the amount of \$3,150.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the usage of five (5) dumpsters for the Erath 4^{th} of July Celebration from June 30^{th} – July 4^{th} , 2025, located on Edwards St, Erath.

Upon motion by Mr. Shane Meaux, duly seconded by Mr. Chad Lege, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a Permit Extension for 11042 LA Hwy 696, Abbeville, ED2.

Upon motion by Mr. Dexter Callahan, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a Permit Extension for 31414 Lepretre Rd, Gueydan, ED14.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Brian Hollier, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a Permit Extension for 15601 Dalton Rd, Kaplan, ED13.

Upon motion by Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Shane Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a fourteen (14) calendar day time extension for L&L Erectors - Additions to the Rabies & Animal Control Center (manufacturer's delay of a vital component of the HVAC system).

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Dexter Callahan, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the estimate from Bonaventure for the repairs for the 2004 – Klondike Truck No. 2, in the amount of \$21,038.65.

Vice-President Vallo recognized New Business, Legal Counsel, Mr. Paul Moresi, III.

Mr. Paul Moresi, III, Legal Counsel, presented the following:

Upon motion by Mr. Keith Meaux, duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized Legal Counsel to contact Dr. Hutchinson for a schedule of fees and enter into a formal agreement.

Upon motion by Mr. Brent Landry, duly seconded by Mr. Shane Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized Legal Counsel to send a letter to inform the State the proposed Right-of-Way for bridge on Hwy 339 is property acquired through FEMA and requires FEMA's approval to sale.

Vice-President Vallo recognizes Police Juror President Business.

No business to be presented at this time.

Vice-President Vallo recognizes Police Juror Business.

Upon motion by Mr. Shane Meaux, duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a variance for Pat Broussard (five feet off of the back fence).

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to send a Letter of Support to CWPRRA for the Teche Vermilion Projects and for the Mermentau Basin Projects. Along with a Letter of Support for the Dome Project. Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a Children at Play sign on Sagrera Road.

Upon motion by Mr. Brian Hollier, duly seconded by Mr. Dexter Callahan, and unanimously carried, there being no further business to be presented, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Parish Administrator

President