

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

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on February 19, 2025, with President Mark Poche' presiding.

The meeting was called to order by President Mark Poche', who asked Mr. Chad Vallo to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the pledge, the President asked Mr. Ronald Darby for a moment of prayer or reflection. The 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
Mr. Mark Poche'	Mr. Roy Keith Meaux
Mr. Errol J. Domingues	Mr. Chad Lege
Mr. Ronald Menard	Mr. Scott Broussard - 5:32pm
Mr. Dexter Callahan	Mr. Brian Hollier
Mr. Chad Vallo	

Absent: Ms. Liz Touchet

Guest: Mr. Kim Touchet
Mr. Todd Vincent

Mr. Gene Sellers, Sr.

President Poche' recognized a period for public comment on any agenda item to be considered.

No comments.

President Poche' recognized Reading or Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting- Regular Meeting of January 15, 2025.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Vallo, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to dispense and approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2025.

President Poche' 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. Dexter Callahan, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, 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. Gene Sellers, SR, Sellers & Associates, Inc., presented the following:

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Chad Vallo, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a Letter of Accommodation for Mr. Gene Sellers, Sr.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Dexter Callahan, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Final Plat Review of Landqwest Dalton Rd. Partition, ED12, contingent upon developer addressing the comments from Sellers & Associates, Inc.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Brian Hollier, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury tabled the Borrow Pit in ED10&13, contingent upon getting a bond as a condition of the permit with a cost estimate for damage.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury tabled the Drilling Permit, LLOX, LLC, ED8, depending on what is brought to the table for repairs of Jean Marie Road.

Upon motion by Mr. Brent Landry, duly seconded by Mr. Keith Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Partial Payment No. 6, Glenn Lege Construction, LLC – 2023 Road Improvements: Phase III, in the amount of \$19,309.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly seconded by Mr. Brian Hollier, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a Letter of No Objection for Texas Gas Transmission, LLC – request to amend previously approved LONO#2024/L-09 for the installation of concrete mats over the existing pipeline crossing Freshwater Bayou Canal.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Scott Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Partial Payment No. 3, L&R Construction Co. Inc. of Kaplan – 2022 Bridge Improvement Project: Phase II – Andrus Rd, Hilton Rd, Scanlon Rd, Wright Rd & Aaron Rd Bridges, in the amount of \$175,894.99.

President Poche' recognized Report of Standing Committees, Courthouse/General Needs Committee.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Vallo, duly second by Mr. Ronald Menard, 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
FEBRUARY 05, 2025
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

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

1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to award the lowest quote for the FMA 2022 to Ritter Consulting - Asbestos.
2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the St. Mary Community Action Agency 5311 Report for the month of December 2024.
3. It is recommended the Police Jury approve payment of Invoice No. 36-41440, Louisiana Testing & Inspection Inc. – 2023 Road Improvements Phase III, dated December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$1,808.50.
4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the Application for Temporary Permit to Sell Alcoholic Beverages for the Friends of Palmetto State Park – Stir the Pot Cookoff Fundraiser, April 26, 2025, located at Palmetto Island State Park.
5. It is recommended the Police Jury approve payment of the following invoices from Sellers & Associates, Inc:
 - (A) Invoice No. 27700, Project No. 8367-09, DOTD Right Sizing Program: ED8 Road Improvements – Phase II: Construction Administration and Inspection, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$8,150.00.
 - (B) Invoice No. 27707, Project No. 9330-16, 2023 Road Improvements: Phase III – Basic Engineering Services, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$10,897.43.
 - (C) Invoice No. 27708, Project No. 9330-17, 2023 Road Improvements: Perform Phase III – Topographic Survey, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$12,773.34.
 - (D) Invoice No. 27709, Project No. 9330-19, 2023 Road Improvements: Perform Phase III – Resident Project Representative, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$34,974.84.
 - (E) Invoice No. 27703, Project No. 9065-08, Youngs Coulee Water Control Structure: Prepare & Coordinate LWI Round II Application Development and Submittal, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$1,083.00.

- (F) Invoice No. 27704, Project No. 9065-09, Youngs Coulee Water Control Structure: Coordination of H&H Study, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$5,056.00.
 - (G) Invoice No. 27705, Project No. 9065-11, Youngs Coulee Water Control Structure: Grant Administrative Services, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$8,576.25.
 - (H) Invoice No. 27706, Project No. 9256-11, LWI – Round 1 Project Grant Program: AABDBA – Grant Administration, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$1,517.50.
 - (I) Invoice No. 27710, Project No. 9598-02, Cheniere Au Tigre Ridge Restoration: Topographic Survey, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$2,657.50.
6. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel to send a letter to 514 Evelyn Drive, Abbeville, regarding the excess garbage and open fire pit.
 7. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to send a resolution to the Legislators to reduce terms of Hospital Board appointments from six (6) years to four (4) years.
 8. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to check into getting handicap accessible doors at the main entrance of the Courthouse.
 9. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize to mow the property at 9605 Tenock Street.
 10. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize the Administrator to send a letter to the Legislators and a Resolution to the Police Jury Association concerning the States policy for sewage complaints.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mr. Chad Vallo
Chairman

President Poche' recognized Report of Standing Committees, Public Works Committee.

Upon motion by Mr. Brent Landry, duly second by Mr. Dexter Callahan, 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
FEBRUARY 05, 2025
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

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

1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to require any employee who is receiving funds from the Police Jury towards their CDL needs to stay employed for six (6) months after completing the course or they have to pay the Jury back.
2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the usage of six (6) dumpsters for the Maltrait Memorial Catholic School - Spring Bazaar Annual School Fundraiser for March 28 & 29, 2025, located at 612 N Hebert Ave, Kaplan.
3. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the usage of three (3) dumpsters for the Henry Volunteer Fire Department – Fur, Feather & Fin Cookoff Fundraiser for March 8, 2025, located at 5420 W LA Hwy 685, Erath.
4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the estimate from Southwest Power Systems for the repairs for the 2005 Freightliner – Klondike Truck, in the amount of \$12,195.14.
5. It is recommended the Police Jury approve payment of the following invoices from Sellers & Associates, Inc:
 - (A) Invoice No. 27701, Project No. 8937-09, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Consolidated Compliance Order/Notice of Potential Penalty – Prepare Documentation and responses to LDEQ; Coordinate with Parish & LDEQ, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$180.00.
 - (B) Invoice No. 27702, Project No. 8937-39, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant: Permit Modification – New Cell Area III-B, dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$3,325.00.
6. It is recommended the Police Jury authorized Doris Langlinais to perform a study on the staffing of the fire departments.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mr. Brent Landry
Chairman

President Poche' recognized Report of Standing Committees, Public Road Committee.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly second by Mr. Shane Meaux, 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
FEBRUARY 05, 2025
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

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

1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Final Plat of David Elston Boundary Line Adjustment, ED1, contingent upon the comments being address from Sellers & Associates.
2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Final Plat of Gerard Bernard Property Partition, ED3, contingent upon the comments being address from Sellers & Associates.
3. It is recommended the Police Jury approve a Letter of No Objection for LUS Fiber – Bore 1.25” HDPE conduit underground for 2400’ on Rue Blanc and Rue Jolie Road near Abbeville, ED11.
4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Letter of No Objection for COX – Bore 2” conduit underground for 80’ parallel to North Road near Erath, ED6.
5. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Sellers & Associates to apply for the Protect Grant for the Elevation of Hwy 14 Project.
6. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Partial Payment No. 2, L&R Construction – 2022 Bridge Improvement: Phase III, in the amount of \$187,369.46.
7. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the Bridge Priority List.
8. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to have the asphalt zipper company give a demo.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mr. Scott Broussard
Vice-Chairman

President Poche’ recognized New Business.

President Poche’ 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. Chad Vallo, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, 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:

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Vallo, duly seconded by Mr. Keith Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to move the VA to the New Health Unit.

- 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. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized a credit card for Gary Guidry with a limit of \$10,000.00 from First Guaranty Bank.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Vallo, duly seconded by Mr. Scott Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to renew the IGA with Gueydan Sub-Drainage District #5.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Vallo, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the usage of one (1) dumpster for the Cajun Hunting Retriever Club 40th Anniversary Hunt Test, March 7-9, 2025, located at 404 Dallas Guidry Rd, Gueydan.

Upon motion by Mr. Brian Hollier, duly seconded by Mr. Dexter Callahan, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the usage of two (2) dumpsters for the St. Anne Fete – Annual Fundraiser for church, March 30, 2025, located at FIEB School.

Upon motion by Mr. Brent Landry, duly seconded by Mr. Shane Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the usage of two (2) dumpsters for the LeBlanc Vol. Fire Department Fundraiser, February 21 – 23, 2025, located at 3843 Bares Rd, Abbeville.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Vallo, duly seconded by Mr. Scott Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. 24-099, Primeaux, Soirez, Touchet & Associates, LLC – Professional services rendered to size a new culvert crossing W. Barbara Road near Gueydan, ED14, dated February 22, 2025, in the amount of \$1,195.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Scott Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the St. Mary Community Action Agency 5311 Report for the month of January 2025.

Upon motion by Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Shane Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. 5646, The Sellers Group – Animal Control Addition, dated February 10, 2025, in the amount of \$3,603.38.

Upon motion by Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Application Payment No. 3, L&L Erectors, Inc – Animal Control Addition, in the amount of \$43,711.92.

Upon motion by Mr. Shane Meaux, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. 36-41675, Louisiana Testing & Inspection Inc. – 2023 Rd Improvement Phase III, dated January 31, 2025, in the amount of \$830.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized Sellers & Associates to apply for a grant for the shortage of the Hwy 14 Elevation Project.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized Sellers & Associates to submit a new FMA application.

President Poche' recognized New Business, Legal Counsel, Mr. Paul Moresi, III.

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

No business to be presented at this time.

President Poche' recognizes Police Juror President Business.

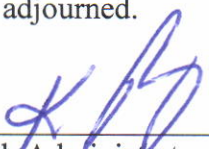
No business to be presented at this time.

President Poche' recognizes Police Juror Business.

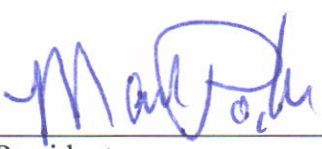
Upon motion by Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized to request Cajun Broadband and LUS to attend a meeting for an update regarding LUS Fiber.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Chad Lege, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to advertise the precincts that moved from the Governmental Complex to the Library.

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



Parish Administrator



President