Police Jury Meeting, Police Jury Room May 21, 2025 Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on May 21, 2025, with Vice-President Chad Vallo presiding.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Chad Vallo, who asked Shane Meaux to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the pledge, the Vice-President asked Mr. Paul Moresi, III 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 – 5:35pm	Mr. Shane Meaux
Mr. Brent Landry	Mr. Ronald Darby
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: Ms. Liz Touchet Mr. Mark Poche'

Guest: Mr. Kim Touchet Mr. Todd Vincent

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

No comments.

Vice-President Vallo recognized Time on the Agenda.

Judge Stan Hardee, Kaplan City Court – Acadiana Regional Juvenile Justice District House Bill 93.

Absent.

Vice-President Vallo recognized Reading or Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting- Regular Meeting of April 16, 2025.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to dispense and approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 16, 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. Dexter Callahan, duly seconded by Mr. Keith Meaux, 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. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to ratify to bid out for Material for Parish Road Maintenance.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Borrow Pit Permit Application for Shawn Perrin, Sr.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Scott Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Final Plat Review for Brandon Stutes Partition, ED10, contingent on the comments from Sellers & Associates, Inc.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly seconded by Mr. Dexter Callahan, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Final Plat Review for Marie Lee Gaspard Hebert Partition, ED9, contingent on the comments from Sellers & Associates, Inc.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Dexter Callahan, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the 2025 Bridge Improvement list and authorized to request proposals.

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 MAY 07, 2025 ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA AS A RESULT OF A COASTAL PROTECTION & RESTORATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MAY 07, 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

- 1. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Sellers & Associates to correspond with Allen Lemaire to be on site for the deployment of the dome structures.
- 2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to send a Letter of Support for the South Central of Louisiana & Vermilion Parish Annual Plan.
- 3. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Sellers & Associates to advertise for bids as soon as the USACE permit is issued and CPRA authorizes the advertisement for bids for the Cheniere au Tigre Ridge Restoration (TV-0097).
- 4. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Sellers & Associates to advertise for bids as soon as the USACE permit is issued and CPRA authorizes the advertisement for bids for the Cheniere au Tigre Gap Closure (TV-0096).
- 5. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the Base Bid option of sheet pile wall for the Schooner Bayou Rehabilitation Project (ME-0039).
- 6. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Sellers & Associates to communicate with Abbeville & Harbor Terminal about the Pre-Construction Conference for the Vermilion River Bridge Debris Barrier System.

Respectfully submitted Mr. Errol Domingues Chairman

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

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Darby, duly second by Mr. Dexter Callahan, 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 MAY 07, 2025 ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A COURTHOUSE/GENERAL NEEDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MAY 07, 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

- 1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the lowest quote of \$1062.00 to Bellan Environmental Consulting Group, LLC Asbestos Inspection for the FMA 2019 3607 IC Suire Street, Erath.
- 2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to nominate Patrick Duhon and Joseph Hebert for the Abbeville Harbor & Terminal District Board.
- 3. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to remove Dexter Callahan from the VEDA board.
- 4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the reappointment of Clint Dugas to the Southeast Waterworks District No. 2 Board, term to expire 04/19/2030.
- 5. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the reappointment of Jody Landry to the Hospital Service District No. 2 Board, term to expire 05/21/2031.
- 6. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the reappointment of Robert Mayer to the Twin Parish Port District Board, term to expire 05/18/2030.
- 7. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the following Invoices for Sellers & Associates, Inc.:
 - A. Invoice #27852, Project #09216-04, North Vermilion Bay Shoreline Protection Project (TV-0077) Basic Engineering Services, dated 02/24/25, in the amount of \$18,000.00.
 - B. Invoice #27853, Project #09216-08, North Vermilion Bay Shoreline Protection Project (TV-0077) Resident Project Representative, dated 02/24/25, in the amount of \$12,515.00.
 - C. Invoice #27854, Project #09216-12, North Vermilion Bay Shoreline Protection Project (TV-0090) Phase II Basic Engineering Services, dated 02/24/25, in the amount of \$20.250.00.
 - D. Invoice #27981, Project #09216-15, North Vermilion Bay Shoreline Protection Project (TV-0090) Phase II Permitting, dated 03/27/25, in the amount of \$3,552.50.
 - E. Invoice #28069, Project #08990-53, Miscellaneous Engineering Services Assess LLOX Damages to Jean Marie Rd., dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$240.00.
 - F. Invoice #28072, Project #09330-07, 2023 Road Improvements Phase I and Phase II A Topographic Survey, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$1,630.59.
 - G. Invoice #28073, Project #09330-12, 2023 Road Improvements Phase II Topographic Survey (Districts 1, 2, and 11), dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$3,259.25.
 - H. Invoice #28074, Project #09330-14, 2023 Road Improvements Phase II Resident Project Representative, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$2,395.01.
 - Invoice #28075, Project #09330-16, 2023 Road Improvements Phase III Basic Engineering Services, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$20,211.71.

- J. Invoice #28076, Project #09330-17, 2023 Road Improvements Perform Phase III Topographic Survey, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$4,178.16.
- K. Invoice #28077, Project #09330-18, 2023 Road Improvements Phase III Permitting, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$4,237.88.
- L. Invoice #28078, Project #09330-19, 2023 Road Improvements Phase III Resident Project Representative, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$12,449.55.
- M. Invoice #28070, Project #08990-76, Miscellaneous Engineering Services Assist Parish President with Restore Louisiana Solution 4 Buyouts for 2020-2021 Disaster Program, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$262.50.
- N. Invoice #28071, Project #09007-05, FEMA Direct Administrative Cost Services Hurricane Laura Grant Management (DAC) (June 2024 – March 2025), dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$1,018.50.
- O. Invoice #28079, Project #09533-03, FY 2022 FMA Acquisitions Grant Management, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$5,370.00.
- P. Invoice #28080, Project #09533-04, FY 2022 FMA Acquisitions Grant Management, dated 04/28/2025, in the amount of \$2,362.80.
- Q. Invoice #08082, Project #09718-01, FY 2024 FMA and BRIC Funding Prepare and Submit FY 2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance Application, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$5,000.00.
- R. Invoice #28083, Project #09595-06, Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Flood Elevation Determination of EOC Site, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$420.00.
- S. Invoice #28084, Project #09604-02, FEMA Public Assistance Mgmt Services Coordinate Debris Pick-up and Reimbursement under GOHSEP Assistance Program (September 2024 – March 2025), dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$772.50.
- T. Invoice #28089, Project #09237-03, Vermilion Parish Town of Gueydan Flood Protection Engineering Related Services FEMA HMGP 1786-DR-LA, Project #0095: Basic Engineering Services, dated 0428/25, in the amount of \$3,452.04.
- U. Invoice #28090, Project #09237-08, Vermilion Parish Town of Gueydan Flood Protection Engineering Related Services – FEMA HMGP 1786-DR-LA, Project #0095: Resident Project Representative Services, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$3,955.75.
- 8. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the following Invoices for Primeaux, Soirez, Touchet & Associates, L.L.C.:
 - A. Invoice #24-092-02, Emergency Bridge Repairs for the Vermilion Parish Police Jury on Acorn Road in Election District No. 9, dated 04/29/25, in the amount of \$4,572.75.
 - B. Invoice #24-035-04, 2022 Vermilion Parish Bridge Repairs & Improvements Project, Phase III Andrus, Hilton, Scanlon, Wright, & Aaron Road, dated 04/29/25, in the amount of \$10,727.07.
 - C. Invoice #24-035-05, 2022 Vermilion Parish Bridge Repairs & Improvements Project, Phase III Andrus, Hilton, Scanlon, Wright, and Aaron Road, dated 04/29/25, in the amount of \$3,130.00.

- D. Invoice #24-096, For professional services rendered to perform a drainage study in Parc Perdue Estates, including Parc Perdue Drive and Lindy Lane, as requested by the Police Juror of District No. 3, dated 04/29/25, in the amount of \$3.815.00.
- 9. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the following Invoices for The Sellers Group:
 - A. Invoice #5664, for additions to the Vermilion Parish Rabies & Animal Control Center, dated 04/16/25, in the amount of \$807.33.
 - B. Invoice #5669, OEP/911 Additional Services/Reimbursable Expenses, dated 5-2-25, in the amount of \$10,000.00.
- 10. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Application for Payment No. 5, L & L Erectors for additions to the Vermilion Parish Rabies & Animal Control Center, in the amount of \$25,607.16.
- 11. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Invoice #36-41969, Louisiana Testing & Inspection Inc. 2023 RD IMPROV III for asphalt density test, dated 03/31/25, in the amount of \$730.00.
- 12. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Certificate of Substantial Completion L & L Erectors, Inc. for Additions to Rabies & Animal Control Center and authorize the Administrator to sign.
- 13. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize the President to sign the Attestation of Abbeville General Hospital Vermilion Parish Hospital Service District No. 2.
- 14. It is recommended the Police Jury approve a permit extension for 2409 Deussard Road, Erath, ED 1.
- 15. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Invoice #0206139, GeoEngineers Schooner Bayou Area Saltwater Barrier Structure Replacement, dated 04-25-25, in the amount of \$831.00.
- 16. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Invoice #0206212, GeoEngineers North Shore Vermilion Bay Shoreline Protection Project, dated 04-25-25, in the amount of \$42,626.32.
- 17. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel to send a Long Grass Letter in regard to the property located at 2303 Merrill Street, Abbeville.
- 18. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to send a report to the USDA office in Abbeville that the Police Jury now owns the 3D Sugar Farms property purchased for borrow material.

19. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to appoint Ricky Cormier to the Southwest Waterworks District No. 2 Board, replacing Sandy Richard.

Respectfully Submitted, Mr. Mark Poche' Ex-Officio

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

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Shane Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to amend recommendation number nine from "It is recommended the Police Jury approve to get the 22 AEDs for the fire departments." to "It is recommended the Police Jury approve to get all 89 AEDs (\$440,327.00 – out of the Opioid Fund)."

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

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MAY 07, 2025 ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MAY 07, 2025, AND AMENDED ON MAY 21, 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

- 1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Partial Payment No. 1, Bayou Fencing & Supply, Inc Bella Rd Borrow Pit Closure Plan, in the amount of \$112,930.00. Along with the approval of Change Order No. 1, Bayou Fencing & Supply, Inc Bella Rd Borrow Pit Closure Plan, with a decrease of \$2,920.00.
- 2. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel to send a letter to Schamerhorn in regard to the scrap iron at Solid Waste.
- 3. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to go with the scoring of the RFQ for the current provider for the trash pickup.
- 4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the following Invoices for Sellers & Associates, Inc.:

- A. Invoice #28062, Project #05263-18, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant Semi-Annual AR/GMR; Leachate Report; GMR Maintenance; Groundwater Monitoring; Alternate Source Demonstration (February 2025 March 2025), dated 04/28/2025, in the amount of \$1,100.00.
- B. Invoice #28063, Project #07215-20, Vermilion Parish Annual Household Vermilion Parish Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day 2024 Event, dated 0428/2025, in the amount of \$845.00.
- C. Invoice #28064, Project #08645-18, Solid Waste Facility Borrow Pit Project Progress Survey, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$3,795.00.
- D. Invoice #28065, Project #08645-19, Solid Waste Facility Borrow Pit Project Contract 6: Processing of Partial Payment Estimates, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$597.50.
- E. Invoice #28066, Project #08645-20, Solid Waste Facility Borrow Pit Project Site Work for Bella Road Borrow Pit Closure Plan, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$7,175.29.
- F. Invoice #28067, Project #08645-21, Solid Waste Facility Borrow Pit Project Fencing for Bella Road Borrow Pit Closure Plan, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$11,040.04.
- G. Invoice #28068, Project #08937-45, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant Prepare Garbage Collection RFP, Administer Proposal Process and Review, Tabulate Proposals and Scoring, dated 0428/25, in the amount of \$5,273.75.
- H. Invoice #28091, Project #08937-34, Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant UAV Progress Survey of Area II-B, dated 04/28/25, in the amount of \$2,900.00.
- 5. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to allow Rodney (602 S Cushing, Kaplan) to haul debris from a house fire to Solid Waste at no cost.
- 6. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the usage of one dumpster for The Vermilion Chamber of Commerce Vermilion River and bank Clean Up, located at the Abbeville public boat launch area by the bypass/bridge (used to be called the Pub), on May 22, 2025.
- 7. It is recommended the Police Jury authorize the Administrator to check out the property in ED4 (325 E. Elina St, Abb) to see if it is connected to a sewer system.
- 8. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to fix roofs at the LeBlanc VFD and Indian Bayou VFD from the 76 Sales Tax.
- 9. It is recommended the Police Jury approve to get all 89 AEDs (\$440,327.00 out of the Opioid Fund).

Respectfully Submitted, Mr. Brent Landry Chairman Vice-President Vallo recognized Report of Standing Committees, Public Road Committee.

Upon motion by Mr. Chad Lege, duly second by Mr. Scott Broussard, 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 MAY 07, 2025 ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PARISH ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MAY 07, 2025, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

- 1. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Drilling Permit No. 1847-D, Dunn Exploration off of Banker Rd, ED9, subject to the issuance of a bond.
- 2. It is recommended the Police Jury approve a Letter of No Objection for Shell Pipeline Company proposed repairs to the existing 22' Zydeco Pipeline within Vermilion Parish, ED14.
- 3. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Project Permit No. 9632-12, Danny Castro Pond Permit, ED6.
- 4. It is recommended the Police Jury approve Project Permit No. 9632-13, Dodi Robicheaux Pond Permit, ED10.
- It is recommended the Police Jury approve Partial Payment No. 2, L&R Construction Co. Inc. – Emergency Bridge Repairs – Acorn Road Bridge Replacement, in the amount of \$24,898.65.
- 6. It is recommended the Police Jury approve the reseal work on Guegnon St. from Jacqulyn to 7th, half ED4 & ED9.

Respectfully Submitted, Mr. Chad Lege Chairman

Vice-President Vallo recognized New Business. Adopt the current millage rates(s) with no increase for 2025.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to adopt the current millage rates(s).

RESOLUTION 2025-R-03

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury of the Parish of Vermilion, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on May 21, 2025, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following **adjusted** millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2025, for the purpose of raising revenue:

MILLAGE

Parishwide General Alimony (Expect Abbeville & Kaplan)	4.14 mills
Parishwide General Alimony (Abbeville & Kaplan)	2.07 mills
Health Unit	2.62 mills
Parishwide Road - Maintenance	3.26 mills
Road District No. 1 - Maintenance	5.72 mills
Road District No. 2 Sub 1 - Maintenance	5.06 mills
Road District No. 2 Sub 2 - Maintenance	6.46 mills
Road District No. 2 Sub 3 - Maintenance	4.87 mills
Road District No. 2 Sub 4 - Maintenance	8.59 mills
Road District No. 2 Sub 5 - Maintenance	5.80 mills
Road District No. 3 – Maintenance	6.02 mills
Road District No. 4A – Maintenance	6.93 mills
Road District No. 6 – Maintenance	6.27 mills
Road District No. 7- Maintenance	8.69 mills
Ward 8 Cemetery Maintenance	1.21 mills

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Vermilion, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2025 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with the law.

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. Keith Meaux, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Menard, 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. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Scott Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the automatic doors at the Courthouse (\$20,400.00).

Upon motion by Mr. Shane Meaux, duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Capital Area Finance Authority Resolution.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Keith Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. 3579, Law Offices of R. Gray Sexton – matter of Keith Frederick, dated May 5, 2025, in the amount of \$326.25.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Dexter Callahan, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the usage of two (2) dumpsters for the KYAA Sectionals, June 13th – 15th, 2025, located at KYAA, Kaplan.

Upon motion by Mr. Shane Meaux, duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to payment of Invoice No. 2025RM057, Police Jury Association of Louisiana – 2025 Region Meeting Dues, in the amount of \$250.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Brian Hollier, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. D257070, Kolder, Slaven, & Company, LLC – Professional Services: Audit of 12/31/24 Financial Statements, in the amount of \$42,300.00.

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. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to adopt a resolution authorizing Legal Counsel to send a letter to the Louisiana Department of Health/Sanitation to help in regard to the property located in Elina Street, ED4.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized Legal Counsel to get the proper mortgage certificate for the 2.65 acres in Section 20 Township 12 Range 1East.

Vice-President Vallo recognizes Police Juror President Business.

No business to be presented at this time.

Vice-President Vallo recognizes Police Juror Business.

No business to be presented at this time.

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

Parish Administrator

Vice-President