

The Police Jury of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, met in special session at its meeting place, the Grant Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, 200 Main Street, Colfax, Louisiana, on Monday, October 7, 2024 at 3:20 p.m.

The following members were present:
Mr. Mark Ball, Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr., Mr. Johnny Jamison, Mr. Roy Edwards, Mr. Brandon DuBois, and Mr. Mike Merrell

The following members were absent:
Mr. Arnold Murrell and Mr. Winston Roberts

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Mike Merrell to open the meeting to public comments on agenda items. No comments were brought forth.

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Roy Edwards to adopt Resolution 27-2025; For Disabled Jurors, Board Members, and Committee Members of the Grant Parish Police Jury to Participate Remotely in Public Meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 27-2025;
FOR DISABLED JURORS, BOARD MEMBERS, AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS OF THE GRANT PARISH POLICE JURY TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY IN PUBLIC MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute 42:17.2.1 states that although members of the public body must usually be physically present to be counted for a quorum and to participate and vote in a meeting, a member of a public body who has a disability recognized by the ADA shall be allowed to participate and vote via teleconference and/or video conference – no other methods are acceptable. Their virtual presence must count toward a quorum; and,

WHEREAS, any member of the governing body of Grant Parish with an ADA-recognized disability who seeks accommodation to participate and vote in an open meeting of the Parish, shall complete an application for remote participation and a medical certification of disability on forms provided by Grant Parish in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 42:17.2.1; and,

WHEREAS, members of the Parish governing body who receive accommodation pursuant to this section for an ADA-recognized disability shall be allowed to participate by electronic means in an executive session convened in accordance with Louisiana’s Open Meetings Law; and,

WHEREAS, the meeting’s presiding officer shall ensure that each person participating in the meeting is properly identified, and that all parts of the meeting (excluding executive sessions) are clear and audible to all participants. The vote of every member of the governing body, including those participating by electronic means, shall be clearly identified and recorded in the minutes of the meeting; and,

WHEREAS, if a technical problem arises and/or impairs the ability of the disabled member of the public or disabled member of the public body to participate in the meeting, the meeting shall be recessed until the problem is resolved. If the technical issue is not resolved within one hour, the meeting shall be adjourned, and the presiding officer will use all reasonable means to notify all participants of that fact; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, only those members of the public body with ADA-recognized disabilities pursuant to Act 393 may participate and vote in the meeting using electronic means. All other members of the governing body must be physically present.

Passed, approved, and adopted by the President and Police Jury of the Grant Parish Police Jury, Parish of Grant, Louisiana on this 25TH day of September, 2025.

CERTIFICATION

I, Jessie Pace, Parish Manager of the Grant Parish Police Jury, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a RESOLUTION adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, in special session convened on September 25, 2025 at which a quorum was present.

(s)Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace
Secretary/Treasurer/Parish Manager
Grant Parish Police Jury

(s) Mark Ball
Mark Ball
President
Grant Parish Police Jury

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF GRANT

GIVEN UNDER MY OFFICIAL SIGNATURE and Seal of Office on this the 25th day of September, 2025.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace
Grant Parish Police Jury

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.