

Colfax, LA
April 13, 2023

The Police Jury of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, met in regular session at its meeting place, the Grant Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, 200 Main Street, Colfax, Louisiana, on Thursday, April 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

Mr. Don Arnold, Mr. David Merrell, Mr. Mark Ball, Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr., Mr. Brandon DuBois, Mr. Arnold Murrell, and Mr. Winston Roberts, and Mr. Johnny Jamison

The following members were absent:

None

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, seconded by Mr. Arnold Murrell to open agenda to public comments on agenda items. Motion carried. No comments were brought forth.

Motion by Mr. Arnold Murrell, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to accept the minutes of the last meeting as published in the official journal. Motion carried.

Mr. Paul Fuslier, Acadian Ambulance Operations Manager, gave the monthly call report for the parish.

Mr. David Merrell opened sealed bids for cold mix, hot mix, maintenance gravel, diesel, ac-10, mc-30, crs-2 emulsion, and #610 stone.

2090 Industrial Park Rd. / P.O. BOX 7618 / ALEXANDRIA, LA, 71303
OFFICE: (510) 427-1381 / (510) 443-5886 FAX: (510) 427-1481

April 6, 2023

Grant Parish Police Jury
200 Main St. Courthouse Bldg.
Colfax, LA 71417

Upon your request, we are pleased to provide this quote, for the April 2023 bid letting, for the following materials meeting the Department of Transportation and Development Specification as follows:

Hot Mix-Type PG 67-22 Location: Alexandria LA	\$95.50 per ton FOB plant
Cold Mix High Performance Location: Alexandria LA	\$106.00 per ton FOB plant \$125.00 per ton Delivered (25 ton minimum load delivered)

This price is offered through October 31, 2023.

We can discuss October 2023 the possibilities of extending this price till April 2024 if both parties agree.

The above price does not include sales tax. Our terms are net 30 days.

We look forward to serving your account.

Sincerely,
Jeffery R. Davis
Jeffery R. Davis
Sales Representative

Heavy Construction & Marine Services
P.O. Box 7000 / Alexandria, Louisiana 71309-0000
Phone (504) 441-0293
Fax (504) 441-0462

3 Interest after 30 days

Date: April 11, 2023
To: NET

Customer: GRANT PARISH POLICE JURY
From: 200-800-5755

Per: MAREL DAVIS
Cut: _____
E-Mail: _____

Address: 200 MAIN STREET
State: LA Zip: 71407
Colfax, LA 71417

Deliver To: Main Shop- 1381 Landolt Road, Grayton, LA

Engineer: _____

NOTES: _____

Price on trucking, in quote is up to change due to fuel prices at time of delivery.

ITEM	QUANTITY	UNIT	PRICE	TOTAL
Hot Mix	100	TON	\$95.50	\$9,550.00
Cold Mix	100	TON	\$106.00	\$10,600.00
Gravel	100	TON	\$125.00	\$12,500.00
Diesel	100	TON	\$106.00	\$10,600.00
AC-10	100	TON	\$125.00	\$12,500.00
MC-30	100	TON	\$106.00	\$10,600.00
CRS-2	100	TON	\$125.00	\$12,500.00
#610 Stone	100	TON	\$106.00	\$10,600.00

With approval credit only. Freight is computed on accessibility to site. Unless confirmed, quantity is firm for 30 days. DELIVERY QUANTITY OF MATERIAL DEPENDS ON AVAILABILITY OF TRUCKS PER DAY.

Special Instructions: _____

3 Interest after 30 days

Thank You,
Jeremy Ledwith
JP

April 10, 2023

Grant Parish Police Jury
200 Main Street
Courthouse Building
Colfax, LA 71417

RE: CRS-2 Bid

We are pleased to bid the following price for the next 12 months, May 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024.

CRS-2	\$2.60/gal. FOB
Freight	\$1420.00 per load

All materials are delivered in truck transport quantities.

Two hours free time will be allowed at unloading. All time in excess of free time will be charged at the rate of \$100.00 per hour thereafter.

We appreciate the opportunity to bid the above product and look forward to future business with you.

Sincerely,
ERGON ASPHALT & EMULSIONS INC.

Mark Hartman
Mark Hartman
Area Sales Manager
225-397-8143

4675 INTERSTATE HIGHWAY, PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA 70767-4150
TELEPHONE (225) 346-8836 FACSIMILE (225) 346-8838

April 10, 2023

Grant Parish Police Jury
200 Main Street
Colfax, LA 71417

RE: Sealed Bid—AC-10, MC-30, CRS-2
4/13/2023 – 12/31/2023

Phone: 318-899-5755
Fax: 318-899-7562

Dear Sir/Madam:
Asphalt Products Unlimited, Inc. is pleased to bid the following for the above period:

AC-10 Asphalt Cement	\$	no bid gallon
CRS-2 Asphalt Emulsion	\$	3.05 gallon
MC-30 Cutback Asphalt	\$	5.21 gallon
Freight to any location (Grant Parish)	\$	975.00 load

*Detaining transport on job site will be charged at \$75.00 per hour after the 1st hour

NOTE—Asphalt Products Unlimited, Inc. claims the Louisiana Preference under LA R.S. 38:225.1, for the above products are manufactured at our only facility, which is located in Port Allen, LA.

We appreciate the opportunity to bid on the above items and look forward to future business with you.

Sincerely,
ASPHALT PRODUCTS UNLIMITED, INC.

R. Steele Yeargan, III
R. Steele Yeargan, III
Vice President

Mr. Tommy Price did not attend to address the jury about straightening curves on Race Track Road.

Motion by Mr. David Merrell, seconded by Mr. Don Arnold to adopt Ordinance 01-2023; To Move Polling Place for Precinct 7-3. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE: 01-2023
TO MOVE THE POLLING PLACE FOR PRECINCT 7-3

WHEREAS, the voting precinct 7-3 is currently located at Bentley Church of Christ, 19072 Highway 167, Bentley, LA 71423, and

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury has been notified that this location will no longer be available for use as a polling place, and

WHEREAS, Pastor Bruce Maxwell has authorized the use of the Bentley United Pentecostal Church located at 19578 Highway 167, Dry Prong, LA 71423 as a polling place for precinct 7-3 , and

WHEREAS, this location will better serve the public as a polling place for precinct 7-3, and

WHEREAS, the Bentley United Pentecostal Church would provide safe and comfortable conditions for the voters and the polling commissioners,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Grant Parish Police Jury does hereby authorize the moving of the polling place for precinct 7-3 to the Bentley United Pentecostal Church located at 19578 Highway 167, Dry Prong, LA 71423 upon approval by the Secretary of State

Date of Enactment – This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval.

WHEREUPON THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED TO A VOTE AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

YEAS: *Mr. Brandon DuBois, Mr. Don Arnold, Mr. Johnny Jamison, Mr. Arnold Murrell, Mr. David Merrell
Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr. Mr. Winston Roberts*

NAYS: *None*

ABSENT: *None*

AND THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED ON THIS 13 DAY OF April.

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

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

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, Parish Manager / Secretary - Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify the forgoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the said Police Jury in a regular session on the 13 day of April , 2023, at a quorum.

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

Motion to introduce Ordinance 02-2023; Surplus Movable Property was postponed until all repairs and costs are considered.

Mr. Arnold Murrell discussed using Capital Improvement funds from District 4 for the following roads:

- Hooper Road
- Ferguson Loop
- Robertson Road

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, seconded by Mr. Arnold Murrell to use Capital Improvement funds from District 4 for Hooper Road, Ferguson Loop, and Robertson Road. Motion carried.

Mr. Don Arnold discussed using Capital Improvement funds from District 8 for repairs to various roads in District 8.

Motion by Mr. Arnold Murrell, seconded by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr. to use Capital Improvement funds from District 8 for repairs to various roads in District 8. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to approve PIAL boundaries for Grant Parish Fire District #6. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Winston Roberts, seconded by Mr. Don Arnold to lower the speed limit on Hiram Barron Road to 25 mph. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Arnold Murrell to adopt Proclamation 03-2023; Fair Housing Month. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATION 03-2023

WHEREAS, the 55th Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans – individually and collectively – to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists.

WHEREAS, this law guarantees for each citizen that critical, personal element of freely of choosing a home; and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the State of Louisiana, and implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement, and support of each of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the department and agencies of the State of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen to freely choose a home will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all...

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Grant Parish Police Jury does hereby proclaim the month of April 2023, as FAIR HOUSING MONTH in the Parish of Grant, and do hereby encourage all citizens to abide by the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law, and ask the citizens of this parish to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

(s) Jessie Pace

(s) Mark Ball

Jessie Pace
Parish Manager - Sec/Treas.
Grant Parish Police Jury

Mark Ball
President
Grant Parish Police Jury

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF GRANT

I, Jessie Pace, Parish Manager of the Grant Parish Police Jury do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Proclamation adopted by the said Police Jury in regular session on the 14th day of April, 2023.

GIVEN UNDR MY OFFICIAL SIGNATURE and Seal of Office on this the 13th day of April 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace
Parish Manager -Sec/ Treas

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, seconded by Mr. Arnold Murrell to adopt Resolution 05-2023;
Recognize the Colfax Chronicle as the Official Journal for the Parish of Grant. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 05-2023;
TO APPOINT THE COLFAX CHRONICLE AS THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR THE PARISH OF GRANT

WHEREAS, THE Grant Parish Police Jury is required to select an Official Journal to publish official proceedings of the Parish of Grant.

WHEREAS, the Colfax Chronicle is the only qualified newspaper under La. R.S. 43:142A.

WHEREAS, the Police Jury is obligated to select as its official journal a newspaper published in an office physically located in the parish governed by the Police Jury.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grant Parish Police Jury appoint the Colfax Chronicle as the official journal for Grant Parish for the unexpired term through April 13, 2023.

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

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

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer/Parish Manager of the Grant Parish Police Jury do hereby certify that the above to be true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the said Jury in regular session on April 13TH, 2023, at which a quorum was present.

Given under my Official Signature and Seal of Office on this 13TH day of April, 2023.

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

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to adopt Resolution 06-2023;
National Community Development Week. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 06-2023;
NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK

WHEREAS, the week of April 10 – April 14, 2023 has been designated as National Community Development week. Grant Parish has been a participant in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program which funds public infrastructure, economic development, and housing programs in this community, and

WHEREAS, in this community and communities throughout the nation, forty-eight years of Community Development Block Grant Program funding has developed a strong relationship between this local government and its residents, principally those of low-to-moderate income, and

WHEREAS, this community recognizes that the Community Development Block Grant Program is a partnership of federal, state, and local government and community and business efforts, and that the services funded by the CDBG Program relies heavily on the dedication and good will of our combined efforts,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that during National Community Development Week 2023, this community will give special thanks and recognition to all participants whose hard work and devotion to the neighborhoods and their low-and moderate-income residents help ensure the quality and effectiveness of the community Development Block Grant Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this community, along with the service providers and others whose names are appended to this resolution, hereby petition the U.S. congress and Administration to recognize the outstanding work being done locally and nationally by the community Development Block Program, and of its vital importance to the community and to the people who lived in its lower income neighborhoods, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be conveyed to the appropriate elected and appointed officials of the federal government and that this community's name be added to the roll of those committed to the preservation and full funding of the Community Development Brock Grant Program and maintenance of its essential features over the course of the next session of Congress

Passed, approved and adopted this 13th day of April, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace
Secretary - Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

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

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed, approved and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury on the 13th day of April, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace

Jessie Pace
Secretary – Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, seconded by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr. to adopt Resolution 07-2023;
Authorizing the President to Sign Cash Sale. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: 07-2023

**AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT TO SIGN CASH SALE
TO GRANT PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury has a need to execute any and all documents for the sale of any and all documents for the sale of Lot 19 in the Town of Colfax, to Grant Parish Sheriff's Office, and other related documents necessary to complete this transaction.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grant Parish Police Jury does hereby authorize its President to execute any and all documents for these purposes.

Passed, approved and adopted this 13TH day of April, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer

(s) Mark Ball
Mark Ball, Parish President

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury on April 13, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Don Arnold to adopt Resolution 08-2023; Act of Cash Sale. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION: 08-2023
SALE OF PROPERTY TO GRANT PARISH LAW ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury owns certain real estate that is no longer needed for the operation of the Police Jury and,

WHEREAS, Grant Parish Police Jury, owner of a certain tract of land Block Nineteen (19) in the Town of Colfax, Grant Parish, Louisiana, bounded now or formerly on the Northwest by 4th Street; Southeast by F Street; Southwest by 3rd Street; and Northwest E. Street and,

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Law Enforcement District (TAX ID No. 72-6000498) appearing herein through Steven McCain, Sheriff of Grant Parish, Louisiana, and Chief Executive Officer, has agreed to purchase the above-mentioned tract of land for the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$12,000.00) and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grant Parish Police Jury does hereby authorize the sell of the above-mentioned property to the Grant Parish Law Enforcement District.

Passed, approved and adopted this 13th day of April, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace, Secretary/ Treasurer

(s) Mark Ball
Mark Ball, Parish President

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury on April 13, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. David Merrell to adopt Resolution 09-2023;
Authorizing and Approving Execution of Equipment – Lease Purchase Agreement With Cadence Equipment Finance. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 09-2023

**AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING EXECUTION OF AN
EQUIPMENT - LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH CADENCE EQUIPMENT FINANCE, A DIVISION OF
CADENCE BANK**

WHEREAS, Grant Parish Police Jury (the "Governing Body") of Grant Parish Police Jury Louisiana (the "Lessee"), acting for and on the behalf of the Lessee hereby finds, determines, and adjudicates as follows:

1. The Lessee desires to enter into an Equipment Lease - Purchase Agreement with the Lease Schedule and Exhibits attached thereto in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (collectively, the "Agreement") with Cadence Equipment Finance, a division of Cadence Bank (the "Lessor"), for the purpose of leasing with an option to purchase the equipment as described therein for the total cost specified therein (the "Equipment").
2. It is in the best interest of the public purposes of the Lessee that the Lessee lease with an option to purchase the Equipment pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Agreement; and
3. It is necessary for the Lessee to approve and authorize the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Governing Body for and on behalf of the Lessee as follows:
Section 1. The Agreement and Exhibits attached thereto in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "A" by and between the Lessor and the Lessee is hereby approved Ad Jessie Pace (the "Authorized Officer") is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Lessee.

Section 2. The Agreement is being issued in calendar year 2023.

Section 3. Neither any portion of the gross proceeds of the Agreement nor the Equipment identified to the Agreement shall be used (directly or indirectly) in a trade or business carried on by any person other than a governmental unit, except for such use as a member of the general public.

Section 4. No portion of the rental payments identified in the Agreement (a) is secured, directly or indirectly, by property used or to be used in a trade or business carried on by a person other than a governmental unit, except for such use as a member of the general public, or by payments in respect of such property; or (b) is to be derived from payments (whether or not to the Lessee) in respect of property or borrowed money used or to be used for a trade or business carried on by any person other than a governmental unit.

Section 5. No portion of the gross proceeds of the Agreement are used (directly or indirectly) to make or finance loans to persons other than governmental units.

Section 6. The Authorized Officer is further authorized for and on behalf of the Governing Body and the Lessee to do all things necessary in furtherance of the obligations of the Lessee pursuant to the Agreement, including execution and delivery of all other documents necessary or appropriate to carry out the transactions contemplated thereby in accordance with the terms and provisions thereof.

Section 7. The Lessee desires to designate the Agreement as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" of the Lessee, as defined in Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). The aggregate face amount of all tax-exempt obligations (excluding private activity bonds other than qualified 501(c)(3) bonds) issued or to be issued by the Lessee and all subordinate entities thereof during the current calendar year is not reasonably expected to exceed \$10,000,000. The Lessee and all subordinate entities thereof will not issue or enter into in excess of \$10,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations (including the Agreement, but excluding private activity bonds other than qualified 501(c)(3) bonds) during the current calendar year, without first obtaining an opinion of nationally recognized counsel in the area of tax-exempt municipal obligations acceptable to the Lessor that the designation of the Agreement as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" will not be adversely affected.

Passed, approved and adopted this 13th day of April, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace
Secretary - Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

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

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed, approved, and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury on the 13th day of April, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace
Secretary – Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, seconded by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr. to adopt the 2023 revised pay scale effective the upcoming pay period beginning April 17, 2023. Motion carried.

The jury discussed the implementation of a \$75.00 cremation request for the Grant Parish Coroner. Due to the jury having questions, it was moved to the May agenda and the Coroner or Deputy Coroner will be asked to attend and clarify the request.

Mr. Cody Gongre, Grant Parish Roads Superintendent, updated the jury on projects from the Landfill and Roads Departments.

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Don Arnold to pay bill as funds become available. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Arnold Murrell, seconded by Mr. Don Arnold to amend the agenda to include a motion to approve the Parish Manager to obtain three roofing quotes for the replacement of the LSU Ag Center building roof, the Health Unit roof, and the front of the Civic Center. Once quotes are received, the Building Committee has the authority to select a roofer and approve the work to begin. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, seconded by Mr. Arnold Murrell to approve the Parish Manager to obtain three roofing quotes for the replacement of the LSU Ag Center building roof, the Health Unit roof, and the front of the Civic Center. Once quotes are received, the Building Committee has the authority to select a roofer and approve the work to begin. Motion carried.

Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr. requested that the jury create a Courthouse Committee to begin the discussion of a future courthouse due to the impaired state of the current courthouse. Future discussions will be held.

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to adjourn. Motion carried.