

Colfax, LA
December 14, 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, December 14, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

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

The following members were absent:

Mr. Don Arnold

Motion by Mr. Arnold Murrell, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to open the Public Hearing to receive any opinions on the 2024 budget. Motion carried.

Mr. Steven Kimball, CPA, Rozier McKay & Willis, discussed the operating budget for year 2024. No comments were brought forward.

Motion by Mr. Arnold Murrell, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to adjourn the Public Hearing on the 2024 budget and enter into regular session. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to open agenda to public comments on agenda items. Motion carried.

Mr. Maurice Barron addressed the jury and thanked them for the work that has been done on Mundy Loop. The road and right of way had dangerous trees removed and flooding issues were addressed and corrected.

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

Motion by Mr. Winston Roberts, seconded by Mr. David Merrell to adopt Resolution 31-2022; Proposed Operating Budget for Year 2024. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: 31-2023

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE 2023 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury has reviewed the accompanying budget.

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury has found the content of the accompanying budget to be satisfactory.

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Grant Parish Police Jury does hereby adopt the accompanying budget as the official operating budget for the year ended **December 31, 2024**

THUS DONE AND SIGNED, this 14th day of December, 2023.

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

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Don Arnold

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, do hereby 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 this 14th day of December, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace, Parish Manager
Grant Parish Police Jury

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to adopt Resolution 32-2022; Amended Operating Budget for Year 2023. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: 32-2023

AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury has reviewed the accompanying budget.

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury has found the content of the accompanying budget to be satisfactory.

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Grant Parish Police Jury does hereby adopt the accompanying budget as the official operating budget for the year ended **December 31, 2023**

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

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Don Arnold

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(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace, Parish Manager
Grant Parish Police Jury

Mr. Jeff Pogue, Operations Manager of Acadian Ambulance, gave the November monthly call report for the parish.

Sheriff Steven McCain addressed the jury regarding the CMRS E-911 surcharge and explained the cap that he would like to impose on the phone companies.

Motion by Mr. Winston Roberts, seconded by Mr. Arnold Murrell to introduce Ordinance 6-2023; CMRS E-911 Surcharge. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 06-2023

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING THE ORDINANCE PASSED SEPTEMBER 8TH, 1988. TO ESTABLISH A "CAP" ON CERTAIN SERVICE CHARGES IMPOSED IN THE GRANT PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING, MAINTAINING, AND OPERATING A 911 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM IN SAID DISTRICT; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2016, the Grant Parish Police Jury, in its capacity as the Governing Authority of the Communications District of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, in resolution 21-2016, approved a proposition authorizing said District to levy an emergency telephone service charge not to exceed 5% of the tariff rate for local telephone service within the district;

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2024 the Grant Parish Police Jury, in its statutory capacity as the Governing Authority of the Communications District adopted Ordinance **06-2023**; levying a service charge of 5% of the tariff rate for local telephone service, with the proceeds of said service charge being dedicated for the purpose of establishing, maintaining, and operating the 911 emergency communications system;

WHEREAS, thereafter, as more emergency 911 calls began to be made from wireless phones, the Louisiana Legislature adopted La. R.S. 33:9109 (Acts 1999, No. 1029) authorizing communications districts to levy a charge of not more than eighty-five cents per month on mobile telephones. In 2016, the Louisiana Legislature addressed the tremendous costs faced by communications districts in connection with providing the new generation of 911 service to accommodate the digital media that were becoming an increasing part of 911 communications (including voice, text, data, photos, video, etc.) by amending La. R.S. 339103 to increase the authorized service charge for mobile telephones to \$1.25 per month (La. Acts 2016, No. 665); and,

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Communications District desires to adopt the \$1.25 per month emergency service charge for mobile telephones authorized by La. R.S. 33:9109 and to equalize the emergency service charges for mobile phones and residential wireline phones, including VoIP services.

BE IT OBTAINED that pursuant to the authority of La. R.S. 33:9109, and in accordance with the provisions thereof, the Grant Parish Police Jury, in its capacity as the Governing Authority of the Communications District of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, does hereby levy a service charge of one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per month per wireless CMRS connection;

BE IT FURTHER OBTAINED that Grant Parish Police Jury, in its capacity as the Governing Authority of the Communications District of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, does hereby levy a service charge of no greater than four dollars (\$4.00) per month per residential telephone service line, said rate to become effective on February 1, 2024; and within the current five percent (5%) of the highest tariff rate for the local telephone service as established by a vote of the people on September 8, 1988.;

BE IT FURTHER OBTAINED that Grant Parish Police Jury, in its capacity as the Governing Authority of the Communications District of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, does hereby levy a service charge of no greater than eight dollars (\$8.00) per month per business telephone service line, said rate to become effective on February 1, 2024; and within the current five percent (5%) of the highest tariff rate for the local telephone service as established by a vote of the people on November 8, 1988.;

BE IT FURTHER OBTAINED, that such service change shall be levied, collected and expended in accordance with the provisions of Act 805 of 2016 and other applicable law, and;

BE IT FURTHER OBTAINED, that the Grant Parish Sheriff's Office is authorized to negotiate with each CMRS Provider, and to execute such other actions on behalf of the District as are prudent and appropriate, so as to ensure that the increased service charge is collected for and remitted to and utilized by the Grant Parish Sheriff's Office to continue to provide Enhanced 911 services, including Next generation (NG911) services, throughout Grant Parish under its agreement with the District; and;

BE IT FURTHER OBTAINED it is further resolved that in order to achieve efficiencies in the provision of Enhanced 911 Services to the people of Grant Parish, Louisiana, the Grant Parish Communication District, herewith transfers all of its functions and duties pertaining to the Grant Parish Enhanced 911 service as granted by La R.S. 33:9101 to the Grant Parish Law Enforcement District.

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:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

AND THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED ON THIS ___ th DAY OF _____, 2024.

Jessie Pace
Parish Manager/ Secretary – Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

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 ___ day of _____, 2024, at a quorum.

Jessie Pace
Parish Manager / Secretary – Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

Sheriff Steven McCain discussed the 2023 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.

Motion by Mr. Winston Roberts, seconded by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr. to adopt Resolution 34-2023; The 2023 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 34-2023

2023 GRANT PARISH MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the Parish of Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Grant has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as 2023 Grant Parish Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Grant Parish Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in the Parish of Grant from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the Grant Parish Police Jury demonstrates their commitment to the hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the 2023 Grant Parish Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, the Grant Parish Police Jury does hereby adopt the 2023 Grant Parish Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

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 December 14th, 2023 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 5th day of October, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace
Grant Parish Police Jury

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr. to introduce Ordinance 07-2023; To Ban Audio and Video Recording in the Grant Parish Courthouse. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 07-2023

AN ORDINANCE TO BAN THE USE OF VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING DEVICES AND CAMERA-ENABLED DEVICES INSIDE THE COURTHOUSE AND OTHER POLICE JURY OWNED PROPERTIES FOR SECURITY PURPOSES:

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury desires to protect all persons with business in the 35th Judicial District Court, Parish of Grant courthouse, and other Grant Parish Police Jury owned properties to ensure the safe, secure, and orderly conduct of all proceedings and to facilitate the safe, secure, and efficient handling of business; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury intentionally includes the Grant Parish Police Jury Maintenance Facilities, Transfer Station Facilities, Grant Parish Libraries, and all other jury owned facilities that assist members of the public: and

WHEREAS, absent prior written authorization from the governing authority, there shall be no photographing, recording, or broadcasting within the courthouse or other Grant Parish Police Jury owned facilities including but not limited to entrances and exits, lobby areas, hallways, stairs, elevators, and business offices other than authorized employees and officers of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies wearing issued body cameras; and

WHEREAS, this is not intended to restrict the ability to photograph, film, or broadcast from outside the entrances and exits of the included facilities, provided such activity does not obstruct access to or from the facilities, and

WHEREAS, a person may use an electronic device to make an audio or video recording or to take photographs of a public meeting that is subject to the Freedom of Information Act subject to the following: the recording or photographing is done as inconspicuously as possible and the recording or photographing is done in a safe, non-disruptive manner, provided that the group holding a public meeting subject to the Freedom of Information Act may decide before the meeting reasonable rules controlling the recording or photographing of the meeting based on the need for order, safety, and decorum of the public agency and those attending the meeting. Persons using equipment for recording or photographing a public meeting may use the equipment only for those purposes and shall not use it for any other purposes except as permitted by these guidelines.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORTAINED, that a violation of this resolution may be the basis for a citation and/or confiscation of recording equipment including but not limited to cell phones, tablets, or other camera-enabled devices that capture images or video.

Passed, approved, and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury, State of Louisiana, on this ____th day of _____, 2024.

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:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

AND THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED ON THIS ____th DAY OF _____, 2024.

Jessie Pace
Parish Manager/ Secretary – Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

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 ___day of _____, 2024, at a quorum.

Jessie Pace
Parish Manager / Secretary – Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois. to adopt Resolution 33-2023; Permanent Polling Place for Precincts 02/5 and 08/1. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: 33-2023

TO CHANGE STATUS OF POLLING LOCATION TO PERMANENT

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury recently completed the construction of a new Multi-Use Educational Center, located at 1142 Landfill Road, Dry Prong, Louisiana, 71423; and,

WHEREAS, the new Multi-Use Educational Center will provide an adequate and comfortable space for voting; and

WHEREAS, the new Multi-Use Educational Center is ADA compliant; and

WHEREAS, the new Multi-Use Educational Center will provide a long-term, predictable site for voting; and

THEREFORE, precincts 02/5 and 08/1 will no longer use the Grant Parish Police Jury Maintenance Barn at 1141 Landfill Road, Dry Prong, Louisiana, 71423 as a polling location; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Precincts 02/5 and 08/1 will now use the Grant Parish Multi-Use Educational Center located at 1142 Landfill Road, Dry Prong, Louisiana, 71423 as a permanent polling location.

THUS, DONE AND SIGNED, this 14th day of December, 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, do hereby 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 this 14th day of December, 2023.

(s) Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace, Parish Manager
Grant Parish Police Jury

The jury discussed increasing the contributions to the 35th JDC's Office payroll effective 1/1/2024.

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Arnold Murrell to increase contributions to 35th JDC's Office payroll effective 1/1/2024. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to enter in to a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs from January 1, 2024



**COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
GRANT PARISH POLICE JURY
AND
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

THIS COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT is made and entered into on January 1, 2024 by and between Grant Parish Police Jury, hereafter referred to as Parish/Municipality, a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana represented by Donald Arnold, President, and the Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs (hereafter referred to as LDVA), a state agency within the Executive Branch of the State of Louisiana represented by its Secretary, Joey Strickland.

ARTICLE I

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes, including but not limited to La R.S. 29:260-262, as amended and reenacted, specifically provide enabling legislation for LDVA to estimate and recover part of the operations cost of parish Veterans' Service Offices. Specifically, La. R.S. 29:260-262 provides that LDVA shall not contribute more than seventy-five percent (75%) for the operation and maintenance of such parish Veterans' Service Offices; that police juries and municipal governing authorities may make appropriations out of funds for the purpose of providing or assisting in providing for the maintenance and operation of Veterans' Service Offices established by LDVA; that police juries and municipal governing authorities shall provide office space for the operation of Veterans' Service Offices established by LDVA pursuant to law; and the cost of providing such office space shall not be considered as any payment or contribution required toward the expense of operation and maintenance of such Veterans' Service Office space.

ARTICLE II

WHEREAS, Parish/Municipality desires to support local veterans and improve their access to benefits and services by providing for both the cost to maintain and operate Veterans' Service Offices and space to house such service offices as provided by law.

ARTICLE III

WHEREAS, LDVA, whose physical office is located at 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70802, and whose official mailing address is P.O. Box 94095 Capitol Station, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70804-9095, received funds in Fiscal Year 2023 to provide such services to veterans in Parish/Municipality.

ARTICLE IV

WHEREAS, both LDVA and Parish/Municipality desire to memorialize their respective fiscal, operational, and maintenance obligations relative to the establishment of a Veterans' Service Office in Parish/Municipality,

NOW THEREFORE, LDVA and Parish/Municipality, each having authority to do so, agree as follows:

I. OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES.

A. Obligations of LDVA

- LDVA shall provide information to veterans residing in or near Parish/Municipality and their dependents through various outlets including but not limited to the news media, internet, reading materials, and personal consultation about benefits to which they are entitled, including medical services, compensation and pension programs, education, home loan guarantees, employment, benefits for patients in a nursing home, insurance benefits, referrals to housing and mental health providers, and last interment benefits.
- LDVA shall provide a highly trained Veterans Assistance Counselor at said service office.
- LDVA shall make every reasonable effort to ensure that the designated Veterans' Service Office is staffed one (1) days per week on the following days, to wit: the fourth Wednesday of the month, excluding applicable holidays, training periods, inclement weather closures, etc. LDVA will endeavor to update the parish or municipality of any office closure that may occur, should the need arise.
- LDVA shall designate a contract monitor to ensure that the parties meet their obligations described herein and identify said person, along with their mailing address, email address, and phone number to Parish/Municipality.

through December 31, 2024. Motion carried.

B. Obligations of Parish/Municipality

1. Parish/Municipality shall provide office space for the Veterans' Service Office that offers a safe location for LDVA employees and clients, space for private client interviews, secure storage of client files, and accessibility for disabled visitors. Said space shall be located at 200 Main Street, Colfax, LA 71417.
2. Parish/Municipality shall provide for all utilities, as well as 27.85% of phone and Internet service costs, as part of its obligation to provide space for the Veterans' Service Office.
3. Parish/Municipality shall provide funding to LDVA in the amount described herein to support the cost to operate and maintain the Veterans' Service Office.

II. FUNDING AND REPORTING

A. Compensation and Disbursement

1. Parish/Municipality shall contribute to the support of the Veterans' Service Office by paying LDVA a total of \$1,211.00 in minimum monthly payments of \$101.00.
2. Parish/Municipality shall make payments by check or electronic means only, payable to LDVA. Prior to making the first payment, Parish/Municipality shall select its preferred method and communicate the choice to LDVA.

B. Reporting

1. Upon request, LDVA shall provide an operations report on the number of veteran contacts and claims processed that period.
2. LDVA shall also include within that report any additional information that might assist in communicating and demonstrating the positive impact to the community of the services provided by LDVA.

C. Invoicing

1. LDVA shall submit to Parish/Municipality an invoice for the payment described herein on a quarterly basis.
2. Parish/Municipality may pay monthly, and shall pay LDVA the full sum of the invoiced amount no later than 30 days after receipt of this invoice.

III. TERM

- A. This Cooperative Endeavor Agreement shall be in effect from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023.

IV. TERMINATION

- A. Parish/Municipality may terminate this Agreement at any time during the term of the Agreement by giving the Contractor written notice of its intention to terminate at least thirty (30) days before the intended date of termination. The Parish/Municipality must provide the reason for termination and reason why it cannot comply with the Louisiana Revised Statutes referenced above. Upon termination by the Parish/Municipality or the failure of Parish/Municipality to meet its obligations defined herein, LDVA may close the Veterans Service Office operated in Parish/Municipality.

V. CONTROLLING LAW

- A. The validity, interpretation, and performance of this Agreement shall be controlled by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana.

VI. LEGAL COMPLIANCE

- A. LDVA and Parish/Municipality shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including, specifically, but without limitation, the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics (R.S. 42:1101, *et seq.*), in carrying out the provisions of this Agreement.

VII. PUBLIC LIABILITY/INDEMNIFICATION

- A. LDVA will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Parish, including Parish's employees and agents, from and against any and all claims or liabilities arising from the fault of LDVA, its employees, or agents in carrying out LDVA'S duties and obligations under the terms of this agreement. The Parish will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless LDVA, including LDVA'S employees, delegates, agents, and representatives from and against any and all claims or liabilities arising from the fault of Parish, its employees, or agents in carrying out the Parish's duties and obligations under the terms of this agreement. This section will survive the termination of this agreement. In the event that either party takes any action to enforce this mutual indemnity provision, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs arising as a result thereof.

B. Nothing herein is intended, nor shall be deemed to create a third-party beneficiary to or for any obligation by any party hereto or to authorize any third person to have any action against any party hereto arising out of this Agreement.

C. LDVA is responsible for any and all insurance or other liability requirements related to the operations or activities associated with this agreement. LDVA will ensure that it has insurance coverage for any general liability claims occurring at the premise provided by the Parish as well as insurance coverage for any LDVA contents located at the premise provided by the Parish. In addition, LDVA agrees that all insurance policies required by the agreement will be primary, will include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the Parish as to workers' compensation claims, and will identify the Parish as an additional insured.

VIII. SEVERABILITY

- A. If any term, covenant, condition, or provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall, at any time or to any extent, be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement, or the application of such term, covenant, condition, or provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby, and each term, covenant, condition, and provision of this Agreement shall be valid and be enforced to the fullest extent of the law.

IX. NOTICES

- A. Legal notices to the parties shall be mailed to the following persons and addresses via certified United States mail, to wit:

The jurors discussed the Rapides Area Planning Commission brief regarding the Rural Public Transportation Program that would require an annual contribution of \$69,000.00 in matching funds from the jury.

No motion was received to approve requested funds for RAPC's Rural Public Transportation Program.

The jury discussed the Updated Louisiana Economic Development Designated Enterprise Zones as proposed by Louisiana Economic Development.

No motion was received to sign an approval letter to participate in Louisiana Economic Development Designated Enterprise Zones.

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to adopt Ordinance 05-2023; Declaring Certain Vehicles and Equipment as Surplus. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO: 05-2023

DECLARING CERTAIN VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the property described is no longer needed for the public purposes of the Grant Parish Police Jury, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Grant Parish Police Jury to comply with Louisiana state law regarding the disposition of the surplus property, and

WHEREAS, the value of any item of said movable property may exceed \$5,000.00, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Grant Parish Police Jury in regular session convened that the movable property described in attached Exhibit A is hereby declared not needed for public use and therefore surplus, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that said surplus property be disposed of pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 33:4712, and that should no bids be received on any item of surplus property, the items are to be sold as scrap, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions herein which can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

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

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1

AND THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED ON THIS 14th DAY OF December, 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 the forgoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the said Police Jury in a regular session on the 14TH day of December, 2023, at which a quorum was present.

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

Items to be sent to auction:

Dept: Unit: Make and Model:

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| L/F | 17 | 04 Ford F350 | 1FDSF34L74EC39479 |
| L/F | 43 | 05 Mack Garbage Truck | 1M2K189C85M027282 |
| RD | 19 | 12 John Deere 75D Excavator | Serial# 014349 |
| RD | 59 | 97 Komatsu Front end Loader | A80086 M: WA180-3 |
| RD | 77 | 06 WESTERN STAR 4900 EX WHITE | 5KJJABCK26PV36204 |
| RD | 87 | 15ft Batwing RHINO Bush hog | SER#30681 MODEL 4150 |
| RD | 89 | 15ft Batwing RHINO Bush hog | SER#30682 MODEL 4150 |

Not on the list:

Ramteq Pressure Washer SN: F0403096184
Scrap Tin - 30 pieces, average size 30 ft long x 3.5 ft wide

Mr. Cody Gongre, Grant Parish Roads Superintendent updated the jury on projects from the landfill and roads departments

Mr. Ronnie Lasyone discussed issues he is having getting service from SWEPCO.

Mr. Roland Hill discussed the issues he is having with the South Grant Water Department, the water board, his water bill, and the cost of his sewage.

Motion by Mr. Arnold Murrell, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to pay bills as funds become available.

Motion by Mr. David Merrell, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to adjourn. Motion carried.