

The Police Jury of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, met in regular session at its meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Parish Courthouse, 200 Main Street, Colfax, Louisiana on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

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

The following members were absent:

Mr. Arnold Murrell

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. David Merrell to accept the minutes of the last meeting as published in the official journal. Motion carried.

Sheriff Steven McCain addressed the jury regarding a plan to develop a parish shooting range and how the Grant Parish Sheriff's Office can assist the Grant Parish Police Jury in the process. He also updated the jury on precautions being taken in regards to COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to amend the agenda to add a motion giving the Recreation Committee permission to move forward with plans for a Grant Parish Firing Range. Motion carried.

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Mr. Paul Fuselier, Community and Governmental Relations with Acadian Ambulance, gave an update on precautions and regulations within Acadian Ambulance in regards to COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

Mr. Robert Wolfe, Parish Engineer, updated the Jury on parish projects that he is currently working on specifically the Hazard Mitigation Project and the sale of land from Roy O. Martin.

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Mark Ball to amend the agenda to add a presentation from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to the agenda. Motion carried.

Mr. John Ellis, Senior Geologist at GHD and members of DEQ to speak about the vapors of trichloroethylene (TCE), a cleaning solvent used at Dresser Industries, being found in several homes in the Aurora Park neighborhood located just east of the plant site.

Gabe Firment, State Representative District #22, addressed the jury regarding the ongoing testing in Grant Parish for TCE and the working relationship between the DEQ and the Grant Parish governing body.

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Mark Ball to adopt Resolution 2-2020; Honoring the Retirement of Mrs. Cynthia Jamison. Motion carried.
Mr. Johnny Jamison recused himself.

Motion by Mr. David Merrell, seconded by Mr. Mark Ball to appoint Ms. Carrie Jordan as Resident Board Commissioner for the Grant Parish Housing Authority replacing Mrs. Lavinia Blake. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mark Ball, seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to appoint Mrs. Kathy Scarborough to the Central Louisiana Human Services District (CLHSD) from April 12, 2020 through April 12, 2023. Motion carried.
Mr. David Merrell recused himself.

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to call a special meeting March 23, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. to appoint a Grant Parish Coroner. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to approve Resolution 3-2020; Resolution for Workforce Development Consortium Agreement. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Johnny Jamison to allow the Personnel Committee, Parish Manager, and Human Resources Manager to hire a Human Resources Manager with starting pay of \$12.00 to \$13.50 per hour (\$25,000 to \$28,000) with qualifications. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Mark Ball to approve a 3% increase for all parish employees as recommended by the Personnel Committee effective 3/1/2020, and implement performance evaluations for future pay increase (per section 10.08 of the Grant Parish Employee Handbook & Policies). Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Mark Ball to approve March 28th, annually, as National Blinded Veterans Day as proposed by the Blinded Veterans Association. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Winston Roberts, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to advertise for bids on the following:

- a. Cold Mix - State Specifications by Ton
 1. FOB Plant
 2. Delivered to GPPJ maintenance shop 1141 Landfill Road, Dry Prong, LA
- b. Hot Mix - State Specifications by Ton
- c. C-1, C-2, C-3, Maintenance Gravel - State Specifications by Ton
 1. FOB Plant
 2. Delivered to GPPJ maintenance shop Landfill Road, Dry Prong, LA
- d. # 2 Diesel - Off Road and On Road
- e. AC-10 State Specifications
- f. MC-30 State Specifications
- g. CRS-2 Emulsion
- h. 610 Stone. #8 Stone, Rip Rap State Specifications by Ton
 1. FOB Plant
 2. Delivered to GPPJ maintenance shop 1141 Landfill Road, Dry Prong, LA

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to amend the agenda to add motion to authorize Parish Manager, Roads Superintendent, and Personnel Committee to write a job description and advertise for vacancies at the maintenance shop and write a job description for an Assistant Roads Superintendent to be approved by the jury. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to authorize Parish Manager, Roads Superintendent, and Personnel Committee to write a job description and advertise for vacancies at the maintenance shop and write a job description for an Assistant Roads Superintendent to be approved by the jury. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Winston Roberts, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to pay bills as funds become available. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. David Merrell, seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to adjourn. Motion carried.