

Colfax, LA  
October 5, 2023

The Recreation Committee of 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 October 5, 2023 at 1:00 pm

The following members were present:

Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr., Mr. Johnny Jamison, and Mr. Don Arnold

The following members were absent:

None

The Recreation Committee opened the meeting for public comment. No comments were brought forth.

Mr. Don Arnold updated the present Shooting Range Committee members on the following topics:

- Phase II of the Rifle/Pistol Range is complete. This included completion of the berms.
- State Appropriation funds received: Grant Parish Police Jury received a \$100,000.00 line item appropriation in House Bill No. 560 for the Grant Parish Rifle Range project. Funds will be utilized to purchase construction materials and to seed the berms.
- The Voting Precinct/Educational Center is on schedule to be completed and utilized for the October 14, 2023 election. This building will serve as an educational center to include instructional classes for the 4-H Shooting Sports, Grant Parish Sheriff's Office, Hunters' Education, Conceal Carry, etc...
- Phase III of the Rifle/Pistol Range is scheduled to begin as early as March of 2024. The LA National Guard will begin constructing the covered shelters and pouring the concrete slabs.
- Phase I of the Archery/Skeet Range is underway to begin the layout and design portion. It will encompass archery, skeet, trap, and live
- There is a need for an equipment storage building to hold supplies for the Archery/Skeet side of the complex. Members are looking for a donor.

The committee discussed the possibility of revising the current parish wide burn ban. After consulting with the state wide burn ban and regulations being followed by the Louisiana State Parks, it was decided that some revisions would be appropriate.

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to adopt Resolution 28-2023; Revised Parish Wide Burn Ban. Motion carried.

State of Louisiana



Parish of Grant
In the Name and By the Authority of The Police
Jury of Grant Parish

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr., seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison and carried to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION
28-2023

Revised Parish Wide Burn Ban

WHEREAS, due to Grant Parish presently facing drought conditions with no significant relief predicted soon; and

WHEREAS, weather factors combined with very dry, dead vegetation and dry soils increase the opportunity and possibility for wildfires; and

WHEREAS, there is a very definite threat to life and property of the citizens of the parish; and

WHEREAS, immediate emergency actions and preparedness are required and prohibit all non-commercial open air burning of any trash, garbage, leaves, limbs, or debris of any type to include shooting any fireworks; and

THEREFORE; a Parish Wide Burn Ban is immediately in effect throughout all of Grant Parish preventing all private, open air burning, with the exception of outdoor cooking within contained cooking equipment that is designed for cooking purposes like grills and smokers with a water source or fire extinguisher nearby. The fuel source for the equipment (propane, charcoal, pellets, etc.) is not a factor in its acceptable use. The use of open flames in fire pits, campfires, barrels, bonfires, etc. remains prohibited at this time.

BE IT DECLARED that this Parish Wide Burn Ban is hereby issued this day, the 5th of October 2023 is effective immediately upon issuance. The Jury agrees that this Parish Wide Burn Ban shall be terminated by giving authority to Mark Ball, Police Jury President, once conditions improve.

The Grant Parish Police Jury adopted the above Resolution during special session convened on Thursday, October 5, 2023.

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 Recreation Committee of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, in special session convened on October 5, 2023 at which a quorum was present.

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

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.

Jessie Pace
Jessie Pace
Grant Parish Police Jury



Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr. to adjourn. Motion carried.