

Colfax, LA
September 9, 2021

The Police Jury of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, met in regular session at its meeting place, of the Grant Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, 200 Main Street, Colfax, Louisiana, on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

Mr. Don Arnold, Mr. Arnold Murrell, Mr. Mark Ball, Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr., Mr. Johnny Jamison, Mr. Winston Roberts.

The following members were absent:

Mr. David Merrell

Motion by Mr. Winston Roberts, seconded by Mr. Mark Ball to accept the minutes of the last meeting as published in the official journal. Motion carried.

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

Mr. Tom David of Pan American Engineers updated the jury on the South Grant Sewer Collection System.

Motion by Mr. Winston Roberts, seconded by Mr. Arnold Murrell to authorize the execution of a change order to the contract for the Sewer Force Main project to undertake modifications at the discharge pipe at the Herman Park pump station at a total cost of \$13,997.02 as recommended by the project engineer in his correspondence dates August 27,2021. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to open agenda to public comment. Motion carried.

Mr. Gabe Firment addressed the jury regarding current local topics including higher utility bills, Water Sector Program, GUMBO program, 2020 Census, and Grant Parish becoming a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary Parish.

Ms. Charlene Anderson addressed the jury regarding using tourism funds for website from the Tourism Account to promote tourism through Grant Parish.

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Johnny Jamison to use funds from the Tourism Account for the website to promote tourism within Grant Parish through the Grant Parish Chamber of Commerce.

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois., seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to adopt Resolution 17-2021; To Make Grant Parish a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary Parish. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 17-2021

WHEREAS, acting through the United States Constitution, the people of this Country created a government to be their agent in the exercise of a few defined powers, while reserving to the citizens the right to decide on matters which concern their lives, liberty and property in the ordinary course of affairs;

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America states, "A well-regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the People to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed";

WHEREAS, the right of the people to keep and bear arms is further protected from infringement by the State and Local Governments under the Ninth, Tenth and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America.

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States of America in the District of Columbia v. Heller, 554 U.S. 570(2008), recognized the individual's right to keep and bears arms, as protected by the Second Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America, Justice Antonin Scalia's prevailing opinion in that case stated that Second Amendment

protects the individual’s right to possess a firearm unconnected with service in a militia, and the right to use that firearm for traditionally lawful purposes, such as self-defense within the home;

WHEREAS, Section 1 of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states, “No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within jurisdiction the equal protection of laws”;

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States recognized in McDonald v. City of Chicago, 561 U.S. (2010) declared the Second Amendment to the Constitution was incorporated by the Fourteenth Amendment and thereby made applicable to the States;

WHEREAS, the right to be free from the commandeering hand of the government has been recognized by the United States Supreme Court in Printz v. United States, 521 U.S. 898 (1997), the Court held: “The Federal Government may neither issue directives requiring the States to address particular problems, nor command the States’ officers, or those of their political subdivisions, to administer or enforce a federal regulatory program.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Grant Parish Police Jury does determine that the legal, historic and patriotic words of the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution: “A well-regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the People to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed” is hereby declared to be the public policy of the Grant Parish Police Jury and that Grant Parish is hereby declared to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary Parish.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Don Arnold, Mr. Arnold Murrell, Mr. Mark Ball, Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr., Mr. Johnny Jamison, Mr. Winston Roberts.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. David Merrell

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Grant Parish Police Jury in regular session convened on the 9th day of September 2021.

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

(s) Don Arnold
Don Arnold
President
Grant Parish Police Jury

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury, meeting in regular session on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

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

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to introduce Ordinance 06-2021; Amended Notice with Intent to Sell TBD Allen Street, Dry Prong, Louisiana, 71423. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois to introduce Ordinance 07-2021; Notice with Intent to Sell TBD, Montgomery, Louisiana, 71454. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Johnny Jamison, seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts to introduce Ordinance 08-2021; Notice with Intent to Sell 213 Dyson Road, Montgomery, Louisiana, 71454. Motion carried.

Mr. Cody Gongre Grant Parish Roads Superintendent updated the Jury on progress and projects for the Roads/Landfill Departments.

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

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