

RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR SESSION
AUGUST 12, 2024

The Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Room of the Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray Street, Alexandria, Louisiana, on Monday, August 12, 2024, at three (3:00) o'clock p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Joseph "Joe" Bishop, President and Police Jurors: Davron "Bubba" Moreau, Craig Smith, Ernest Nelson, Danny Bordelon, Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Jr., Sean McGlothlin, Parrish Giles and Jay Scott.

Absent: None

Also present were: Ms. Theresa Pacholik, Secretary/Treasurer; Mr. Cory Ashmore, Public Works Director; Mr. Shane Trapp, Building Superintendent; Ms. Sharon Neal, WOD/OEWD Executive Director; Ms. Betty Jo Bourgeois, Sales Tax Administrator; Ms. Sandy Bonnette, Registrar of Voter; Hon. Greg Beard; Mr. Rhett Desselle, Pan American Engineers; Mr. Tom David, Pan American Engineers; Ms. Kim Boyd, RAPC Grant Administrator; Ms. Marla West, Purchasing Agent; Mr. Jim Campbell, Optimum; Mr. Pete and Mrs. Melissa Socia; Mr. Lafe' Jones; Mr. Kevin Hood, P&G; Chief Barry Tull, FD#6; and Mr. Tony Paul, Board President, FD#6 and Mr. Greg Jones, Legal Counsel.

The invocation was given by Mr. Ollie Overton.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Danny Bordelon.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the governing authority of said Parish by Hon. Joe Bishop, President, who welcomed all present and then stated that the Police Jury was ready for the first item of business.

President Bishop recognized Mr. Jim Campbell with Optimum Cable who provided an update on recent upgrades to their system and the status of the GUMBO grant in Rapides Parish.

Warden Julie Sasser was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Tom David provided an update on the elevator replacement project to those in attendance. Mr. David stated he sent an email at the end of last week to Otis Elevator requesting someone from upper management to attend the meeting today to hear the concerns and problems we have faced throughout this project. Mr. David did not receive a response from Otis and he recommends the Jury consider assessing liquidated damages for slow performance of contract. According to the contract the completion date was May 23, 2024.

President Bishop recognized Mrs. Melissa Socia to discuss the possibility of creating a gravity drainage district encompassing the area around Highway 470 and Highway 1. Mr. Greg Jones stated the first step would be to meet and set boundaries for the district. The next step would be discussing a millage rate to determine funds the district would generate annually. Mr. David offered his assistance and would set up a meeting with Ms. Socia to review maps and options for creating a district.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Jay Scott to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on July 8, 2024, as

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published in the Official Journal. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith that approved bills be paid. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Jay Scott to approve the Treasurer's report as presented in the Committee Meeting on August 5, 2024. On vote the motion carried. The report contained budget to actual revenue and expenses for all funds and status of audit findings. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and appoint Mr. James Woodley on the Rapides Finance Authority board for a six (6) year term, representing District F. New term will expire September 30, 2030. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Parrish Giles to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. David Butler on the Finance Authority Board for a six (6) year term, representing District H. New term will expire September 30, 2030. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Tom Nash on the Finance Authority Board for a six (6) year term, representing District G. New term will expire September 30, 2030. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to open a Public Hearing to discuss and take action to accept or deny the Industrial Tax Exemption Application: Proctor & Gamble Manufacturing Company Industrial Tax Exemption application #20210324-ITE. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Joe Bishop recognized Mr. Kevin Hood, representing Proctor & Gamble Manufacturing Company.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop to close the Public Hearing. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to adopt the following notice:

NOTICE

Rapides Parish Police Jury conducted a public meeting on Industrial Tax Exemption Application No. 20210324-ITE and voted to APPROVE the application of Proctor & Gamble Manufacturing Company.

Thus, signed and unanimously adopted this 12th day of August, 2024.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Jay Scott to open a Public Hearing to discuss and take action to accept or deny the Industrial Tax Exemption Application: Proctor & Gamble Manufacturing Company Industrial Tax Exemption application #20190515-ITE. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Joe Bishop recognized Mr. Kevin Hood, representing Proctor & Gamble

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Manufacturing Company.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to close the Public Hearing. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Jay Scott to adopt the following notice:

NOTICE

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Thus, signed and unanimously adopted this 12th day of August, 2024.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to open Public Hearing on Citizen Participation for project selection of Drainage Improvements to Big Bayou and Irish Ditch No. 2 for the LA Hometown Revitalization and LA Restore Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program Grant. On vote the motion carried.

Ms. Kimberly Boyd, Grant Administrator and Mr. Rhett Desselle, Project Engineer conducted a slideshow presentation on the proposed project and allowed for questions and comments from those in attendance. Ms. Boyd stated the public comment period will remain open until Wednesday, August 21, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. Any feedback and comments can be sent to rppj@rppj.com.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to close the Public Hearing. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to delete from the Behavioral Court Grant Asset/Inventory Program the following equipment as it is no longer suitable for public use:

<u>Asset Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Disposal</u>
12453	HP Probook Laptop	Broken to be Auctioned
12801	Lenovo Laptop	Broken to be Auctioned

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Jay Scott to delete from the Rapides Parish Police Jury Administration Asset/Inventory Program the following equipment as it is no longer suitable for public use:

<u>Asset Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Disposal</u>
11418	Dell Poweredge T330	Broken to be Auctioned
12390	Epson Scanner	Broken to be Auctioned

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Parrish Giles to delete from the Rapides Parish Fire District No. 10 Asset/Inventory Program the following equipment as it is no longer suitable for public use:

<u>Asset Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Disposal</u>
10583	Carport	Damaged in Storm
10826	Drager – SCBA	To be Auctioned

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10827	Drager – SCBA	To be Auctioned
10828	Drager - SCBA	To be Auctioned
10829	Drager – SCBA	To be Auctioned
11674	Computer	To be Auctioned
5487	SCBA Air Pack	To be Auctioned
5488	SCBA Air Pack	To be Auctioned
8547	Air Pack MSA	To be Auctioned
8548	Air Pack MSA	To be Auctioned
8549	Air Pack MSA	To be Auctioned
8550	Air Pack MSA	To be Auctioned
8551	Air Pack MSA	To be Auctioned
8552	Air Pack MSA	To be Auctioned
8553	Air Pack MSA	To be Auctioned
8554	Air Pack MSA	To be Auctioned
8748	Generator – 3000 Watt	Broken – to be auctioned
8754	Hose Reel Electric	To be Auctioned
8814	SCBA	To be Auctioned
8815	SCBA	To be Auctioned

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Danny Bordelon ratify the acceptance of the Certificate of Substantial Completion submitted by Cenla Contracting, LLC for Project No. 3131 (Living Quarters for Rapides Parish Fire District No. 8) as approved by the project Engineer, Fontenot & Associates, LLC. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to delete from the Rapides Parish Health Unit Asset/Inventory program the equipment listed below as it is no longer suitable for public use:

<u>Asset Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Disposal</u>
10701	Computer CF-19 SN# CF-19RERCX6M	To be Auctioned

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to delete from the Rapides Parish Courthouse Asset/Inventory Program the following equipment as it is no longer suitable for public use:

<u>Asset Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Disposal</u>
9937	Chiller/Cooling Tower	Used as Trade-In toward the purchase on new Chiller

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton to authorize the President to sign the renewal contract with MGT of America to perform the annual indirect cost plan, for the period of three (3) years, with an automatic renewal for an additional one (1) year unless terminated by either party at least thirty (30) days prior to expiration date. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Danny Bordelon to authorize a lease agreement for four (4) trucks thru Enterprise Fleet Management for use by the Public Works Department and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary

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documents, as recommended by the Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with the Alexandria Pineville Convention & Visitor's Bureau (APCVB) that would allow them to piggyback onto the Parish's current lease agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management, all charges to be paid directly to Enterprise Fleet Management by APCVB and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to authorize the trade in of Asset No. 12598 – Dodge Ram 2500 and Asset No. 12641 – Dodge Ram 2500, leased by Public Works Department thru Enterprise Fleet Management. Gain of trade in to be applied toward balance of Enterprise Fleet Lease for the Public Works Department. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Parrish Giles, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to delete from the Rapides Parish Fire District No. 10 Asset/Inventory program the equipment listed below and sell to St. Landry Fire Department for \$6,200.00 as agreed upon by both departments:

<u>Asset Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Disposal</u>
12208	2005 International VIN# 1HTMNAAM95H692362	to be sold

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Parrish Giles to award Bid No. 3299 - Purchase two (2) used Grapple Trucks, to the lowest bidder as requested by the Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to amend a certain motion passed on June 10, 2024, and place the equipment back into the Rapides Parish Public Works Asset/Inventory Program. The Public Works Department has decided to maintain ownership and not auction:

<u>Asset Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
11142	2015 Ford F250

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to adopt a resolution to authorize Pan American Engineers to advertise for bids for ARPA – Work Order No. 3 – Miscellaneous Site Improvements – Courthouse Annex – Gravel Building. Discussion ensued.

On amended motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to table the motion to adopt a resolution to authorize Pan American Engineers to advertise for bids for ARPA – Work Order No. 3 – Miscellaneous Site Improvements – Courthouse Annex – Gravel Building and hold a special meeting in a few weeks to discuss the proposed renovations.

Roll call vote on motion to table was as follows:

YEAS: Craig Smith, Danny Bordelon, Parrish Giles, Jay Scott and Sean McGlothlin

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NAYS: Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Ernest Nelson, Davron "Bubba" Moreau and Joe Bishop

ABSTAIN: None

On roll call vote the motion to table passed 5-4.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 1607 Karla Street, Alexandria, LA and authorize legal counsel to invoice the property owner for cost of cleanup. Public Works Department to complete the job if a contractor is unable to complete the job in a timely manner or if it is cost prohibitive. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 5742 Gene Ball Drive, Alexandria, LA and authorize legal counsel to invoice the property owner for cost of cleanup. Public Works Department to complete the job if a contractor is unable to complete the job in a timely manner or if it is cost prohibitive. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Jay Scott to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 515 Twin Bridges Road, Alexandria, LA and authorize legal counsel to invoice the property owner for cost of cleanup. Public Works Department to complete the job if a contractor is unable to complete the job in a timely manner or if it is cost prohibitive. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Parrish Giles, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION
BY
RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury received the Bids on Monday, July 8, 2024, for the Blue Lake Roadway Improvements (Re-Bid),

CONTRACTOR	BASE BID
1. Gillespie Blacktopping Service, LLC	\$139,217.00
2. TL Construction, LLC	\$162,142.00

WHEREAS, the Bids have been checked and tabulated by Pan American Engineers, LLC, with a recommendation of award being made to the low Bidder;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract for said construction project is hereby awarded to the low Bidder, Gillespie Blacktopping Service, LLC of Glenmora for the Base Bid of \$139,217.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President is hereby authorized to contracts, change orders and other documents related to the project between the Rapides Parish Police Jury and the successful Bidder.

Passed, approved and adopted by the President and Police Jury of Rapides Parish, Louisiana, on this 12th day of August, 2024.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to authorize Ms. Ava Rush, 135 Herman Rush Road, Deville, LA 71328, as a hardship case. Proper certification has been received. On vote the motion carried.

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On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to authorize Change Order No. 1 for Culvert Replacement of Downs Lane, in the amount of \$33,860.00 to replace un-reinforced cast in place footings and rip-rap with reinforced cast-in – place concrete slabs for foundation of aluminum box culverts, as recommend by Pan American Engineer and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to authorize Change Order No. 2 for Culvert Replacement of Downs Lane, in the amount of \$20,120.00 to provide for geogrid, select fill and geotextile for temporary access roads, as recommend by Pan American Engineer and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Danny Bordelon to allow property owner at 135 Ward Way Drive, Boyce, LA to trim/cut trees straddling property line with Parish property. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to authorize the Purchasing Agent to receive price quotes for chip sealing on various roads in Road District 2B-1, District C, cost not to exceed \$230,000.00. Project to be funded by Road District 2B-1, District C maintenance funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to authorize the Purchasing Agent to receive price quotes for chip sealing on various roads in Road District 2B-2, District C, cost not to exceed \$230,000.00. Project to be funded by Road District 2B-2, District C maintenance funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Danny Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to authorize the submission of a grant application to Keep Louisiana Beautiful (KLB) for ten (10) trash receptacles to be placed at Cotile Recreation Area at no cost to the Jury and authorize the President to sign all necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to authorize the President to sign and approve the contract between the Rapides Parish Police Jury and the Louisiana Workforce Commission (LWC) for the PY24/FY25 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program (Adults, Dislocated Workers, and Youth) for the total grant amount of \$855,314 (an increase of \$26,854.00 from the previous year) and for the Treasurer to amend the budget as necessary. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to accept the award for the FEMA AFG grant (Application No. EMW-2023-FG-05060) for Rapides Parish Fire District No. 18, for the amount of \$14,950.00 to purchase turnout gear washer/extractor and authorize the Parish President and/or Fire Chief to sign all necessary documents. Any excess cost for the equipment to be paid from Rapides Parish Fire District No. 18 funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to 1) reappoint to the Rapides Workforce Development Board the following list of members for additional terms and 2) authorize the President to sign a letter addressed to the

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Louisiana Workforce Commission concerning reappointment for the following members whose existing term dates have expired:

<u>Members (Reappointments)</u>	<u>New Term Dates</u>
Tim Dousay	10/01/2024 – 10/01/2027
Jeff Ryan	10/01/2024 – 10/01/2027
Shanna Worth	10/01/2024 – 10/01/2027
Sally Cowan	10/01/2024 – 10/01/2026
Haywood Joiner	10/01/2024 – 10/01/2026
Chad Bynog	10/01/2024 – 10/01/2026
Rich Dupree	10/01/2024 – 10/01/2026

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to receive an update from Rhett Desselle on repair options for the parking lot at the Rapides Parish Coliseum due to damage caused from hauling dirt. Discussion ensued.

Mr. McGlothlin asked for Mr. Rhett Desselle to review some additional areas on site and report back to the Jury in September. On vote motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton to initiate the condemnation process of the following properties and order the Parish Engineer of Record to inspect the properties and provide a report to the Jury:

Property Locations:

1. 4718 Shreveport Hwy
Pineville, LA 71360
Ward 10, District A
2. 1411 Singer Drive
Pineville, LA 71360
Ward 10, District A
3. 5017 Oaklane Drive
Pineville, LA 71360
Ward 10, District A

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to grant the City of Pineville a nonexclusive franchise for the construction, operation and maintenance of water lines in, over, under or along the public roads, streets or alleys throughout Ward 9, 10 and 11 of Rapides Parish for a period of twenty-five (25) years and the provisions of Chapter 11 Franchise Fee are hereby suspended, as requested by Resolution 2024-0709-28 adopted on July 9, 2024 at the City of Pineville Council meeting. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton to grant the City of Pineville a nonexclusive franchise for the construction, operation and maintenance of sewerage collection lines in, over, under or along the public roads, streets or alleys throughout Ward 9, 10 and 11 of Rapides Parish for a period of twenty-five (25) years and the provisions of Chapter 11 Franchise Fee are hereby suspended, as

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requested by Resolution 2024-0709-29 adopted on July 9, 2024 at the City of Pineville Council meeting. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Parrish Giles, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to accept the resignation of Mr. Chris Estes on the Cocodrie Game and Fish Commission and appoint Mr. Brynan Arnold as Cleco representative, for a four (4) year term. Term is to run concurrent with Police Jurors. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to acknowledge the reappointments of Bill McKay, Don O'Neal and Greg Collins from the Town of Ball, to serve as the Town of Ball representatives on the Water Works District No. 3 Board. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Jay Scott to nominate Dr. Elizabeth Beard one (1) of the nominees from Louisiana State University of Alexandria to the Rapides Parish Civil Service Board to fill the unexpired three (3) year term of Dr. John Marks, Jr. Term will expire November 10, 2024. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Parrish Giles, seconded by Mr. Craig Smtih to accept the resignation of Ms. Lana Havens and appoint Ms. Donna Rivers-Doyle to the Rapides Parish Library Board of Control, representing District H, to fill the unexpired term. Term will expire July 10, 2026. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Parrish Giles to receive the required report from Acadian Ambulance under the Contract for June, 2024:

Response Zone	Number of Responses	Required %	Compliance %
Alexandria - 8 minute	427	80%	88.29%
Pineville - 8 minute	132	80%	83.33%
Rapides - 12 minute	186	80%	93.01%
Rapides - 20 minute	177	80%	84.75%

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton the following item(s) were placed on the Jury but were posted on the agenda after the Committee Meeting in compliance with the public meetings law and are confirmed as having been added to the agenda by 2/3rds vote:

YEAS: Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Jr, Craig Smith, Danny Bordelon, Parrish Giles, Jay Scott, Ernest Nelson, Davron "Bubba" Moreau, Sean McGlothlin and Joe Bishop

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

On roll call vote the motion carried 9-0.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott and seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

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A resolution approving the holding of an election in Buckeye Recreation District of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, December 7, 2024, to authorize the renewal of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Buckeye Recreation District of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Buckeye Recreation District of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on August 8, 2024, calling a special election in the District on Saturday, December 7, 2024, to authorize the renewal of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority of the District has requested that this Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Police Jury to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of Buckeye Recreation District of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, this Police Jury hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Saturday, December 7, 2024, at which election there will be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

BUCKEYE RECREATION DISTRICT
PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)

Shall the Buckeye Recreation District of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), continue to levy and collect a special tax of 6.09 mills on all the property subject to taxation within the District (an estimated \$198,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating the recreational facilities of the District?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Police Jury does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

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This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Oliver “Ollie” Overton, Jr, Craig Smith, Danny Bordelon, Parrish Giles, Jay Scott, Ernest Nelson, Davron “Bubba” Moreau, Sean McGlothlin and Joe Bishop

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

On roll call vote the motion carried 9-0.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 12th day of August, 2024.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith permanently relocate Precinct N02 from Pineville City Hall (910 Main Street, Pineville, LA 71360) to Precinct N01 which is located at Pineville Elementary School (835 Main Street, Pineville, LA 71360). The reason for combining Precincts N01 and N02 is because of the number of voters at Precinct N01, is less than 300. A copy of this resolution to be sent to Secretary of State, Elections Division, Clerk of Court and Registrar of Voters. Discussion ensued.

On amended motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to permanently relocate Precinct N01 from Pineville Elementary School (835 Main Street, Pineville, LA 71360) to Precinct N02 at Pineville City Hall (910 Main Street, Pineville, LA 71360). The reason for combining Precincts N01 and N02 is because the number of voters at Precinct N01, is less than 300. A copy of this resolution to be sent to Secretary of State, Elections Division, Clerk of Court and Registrar of Voters. On vote the amended motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to accept Project No. 2922 – Living Quarters – Fire District #6 – as “Substantially Complete” and authorize the Parish President to sign the Substantial Completion Certificate, as recommended by the Engineer. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Tony Paul, Board President for Deville Volunteer Fire Department, expressed his concerns on some of the unacceptable construction work at the living quarters and asked for the Jury to not to proceed with the acceptance of the certificate of the substantial completion.

On substitute motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to table the motion to accept Project No. 2922 – Living Quarters – Fire District #6 – as “Substantially Complete” and authorize the Parish President to sign the Substantial Completion Certificate, as recommended by the Engineer and set a meeting with legal counsel to further discuss the issues at hand. On vote the substitute motion to table carried.

On motion by Mr. Danny Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Ollie Overton to amend the existing Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the USDA, Forestry Service Kisatchie National Forest (FS Agreement No. 11-RO-11080602-005) to add FS Road Number 205 (road to Forestry Recreation Area) and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

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On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

A resolution ordering and calling special elections to be held in (i) the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, (ii) Road District No. 3-A Maintenance of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana and (iii) Fire Protection District No. 10 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, to authorize the renewal of ad valorem taxes therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of (i) the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, (ii) Road District No. 3-A Maintenance of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana and (iii) Fire Protection District No. 10 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Parish and Districts"), that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, including Article VI, Section 32 thereof, the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, special elections are hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish and Districts on **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024**, between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said elections there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said elections under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

PARISHWIDE PROPOSITION NO. 1 OF 2
(RENAISSANCE TAX RENEWAL)

Shall the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy and collect a tax of 2.06 mills on all property subject to taxation in the Parish (an estimated \$2,394,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2025 and ending with the year 2034, for the purpose of continued construction and maintenance and operating expenses of the Juvenile Community Correction Center, Juvenile Detention Center, Juvenile Home Care and Juvenile Shelter Care Center known as "RENAISSANCE" in and for the Parish?

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(SENIOR CITIZENS TAX RENEWAL)

Shall the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy and collect a tax of 1.06 mills on all the property subject to taxation in the Parish (an estimated \$1,232,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for

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a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, for the purpose of providing funds to match Federal and State funds allocated to Rapides Parish for services to the elderly, including the establishment and maintenance of centers for senior citizens, a work of public improvement for the Parish?

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3-A MAINTENANCE PROPOSITION
(TAX RENEWAL)

Shall Road District No. 3-A Maintenance of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), continue to levy and collect a tax of 32 mills on all the property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated \$1,038,000 reasonably expected at the time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and keeping in repair the public roads, highways, and bridges within the District?

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 10 PROPOSITION
(TAX CONTINUATION)

Shall Fire Protection District No. 10 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), continue to levy and collect a tax of 23.91 mills (the "Tax") on all the property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated \$101,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining fire protection facilities and paying the costs of obtaining water for fire protection purposes within the District, provided that a portion of the Tax proceeds is required to be contributed to state and statewide retirement systems as provided in R.S. 11:82, said millage to represent a 1.32 mills increase (due to reappraisal) over the 22.59 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2026 pursuant to an election held on November 21, 2015?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Elections. A Notice of Special Elections shall be published in the official journal of the Parish and Districts once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the elections, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to the publication of the Notice of Elections, the President is authorized and directed to make any amendments to the foregoing propositions that may be required to comply with any state or federal regulatory agencies.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Room of the Rapides Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray Street, 2nd Floor, Alexandria, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025**, at **THREE O'CLOCK (3:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and

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public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special elections.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places for the precincts set forth in the aforesaid Notice is hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said elections, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special elections as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said elections for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the Parish and Districts will be entitled to vote at the special elections, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Secretary-Treasurer of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said elections, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said elections and the President and/or Secretary-Treasurer of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the elections.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of Rapides Parish and the Registrar of Voters of Rapides Parish, as notification of the special elections, in order that each may prepare for said elections and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special elections as herein provided, and in the event said elections carry for further consent and authority to continue to levy and collect the special taxes provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

SECTION 9. Employment of Counsel. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel on matters related to the special election, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., is hereby employed as special counsel for said purpose for a term not exceeding one (1) year from the date of this resolution. The fee to be paid said special counsel shall be an amount computed at hourly rate based on the Attorney General's then current Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule, not to exceed \$1,000 in the aggregate per election, together with reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, and the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized to pay such invoices as and when presented. The scope of this legal representation does not involve federal claims.

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This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Jr, Craig Smith, Danny Bordelon, Parrish Giles, Jay Scott, Ernest Nelson, Davron "Bubba" Moreau, Sean McGlothlin and Joe Bishop
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

On roll call vote the motion carried 9-0.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 12th day of August, 2024.

/s/ Theresa Pacholik
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/ Joseph "Joe" Bishop
President

EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTIONS

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of (i) the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, (ii) Road District No. 3-A Maintenance of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana and (iii) Fire Protection District No. 10 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Parish and Districts"), on August 12, 2024, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that special elections will be held within the Parish and Districts on **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024**, and that at the said elections there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish and Districts qualified and entitled to vote at the said elections under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

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Said special elections for the Parish of Rapides will be held at each and every polling place in the Parish, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541.

Said special election for Road District No. 3-A will be held at the polling places at the following precincts which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to wit:

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S21(PART)
S22(PART)

Said special election for Fire Protection District No. 10 will be held at the polling places at the following precincts which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to wit:

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S27(PART)
S28(PART)
S29

The polling places at the precincts in the Parish and Districts are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said elections, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The estimated cost of the Parish of Rapides elections as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$18,100.

The estimated cost of Road District No. 3-A election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$1,100.

The estimated cost of Fire Protection District No. 10 election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$500.

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the taxes described in the Propositions shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

The said special elections will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said elections, as provided in this Notice of Special Elections, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and **NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN** that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Room of the Rapides Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray Street, 2nd Floor, Alexandria, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025, at THREE O'CLOCK (3:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special elections. All registered voters of the Parish and Districts are entitled to vote at said special elections and voting machines will be used.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to grant approval to Alexandria RV Park located at 6643 Hwy 1, Boyce to add five (5) additional RV

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spaces, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to authorize the Purchasing Agent to receive quotes and award to the lowest bidder for asphalt overlay on various roads in Road District 9B, District D. Cost not to exceed \$200,000.00, project to be funded from Road District 9B, District D Maintenance Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau to adopt the Parish plan approved by LAOTAF. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Parrish Giles to approve pay rate increases of \$5.00 per hour for the Fire Chief and \$1.00 per hour for all other current paid firefighters for Fire District No. 18, effective August 1, 2024, as recommended by the Fire District Board. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Danny Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith to table motion to authorize Change Order No. 2 for Cotile Recreation Restroom Restoration Repairs, to extend the completion date to 09/20/2024 and claim the fourteen (14) rain days experienced in the months of June and July, as recommended by the project engineer, Ballard CLC and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents. On vote the motion to table carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Jay Scott to grant approval to Jack Deville Rentals located at 49 Jack Deville Road, Deville, to add a fifth (5th) additional mobile home, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin to table the motion to adopt resolution approving lease agreement settlement with reciprocal obligations between Fire District No. 6 and Buckeye Water District No. 50 Inc., and authorize President to execute any necessary documents, subject to legal counsel approval. On vote the motion to table carried.

On motion by Mr. Jay Scott, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 1811 Cavan Circle, Alexandria, LA and authorize legal counsel to invoice the property owner for cost of cleanup. Public Works Department to complete the job if a contractor is unable to complete the job in a timely manner or if it is cost prohibitive. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Ollie Overton, seconded by Mr. Parrish Giles to accept the award for the FEMA AFG grant (Application No. EMW-2023-FG-03193) for Rapides Parish Fire District No. 18, for the amount of \$580,000.00 to purchase a Tanker Truck and authorize the Parish President and/or Fire Chief to sign all necessary documents. Any excess cost for the equipment to be paid from Rapides Parish Fire District No. 18 funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin the following item(s) were placed on the Jury but were posted on the agenda after the Jury Meeting in compliance with the public meetings law and are confirmed as having been added

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to the agenda by unanimous vote:

Motion to approve the purchase of a remanufactured engine for Asset No. 9892 – 12 yard Dump Truck, cost not to exceed \$29,000.00, as recommended by the Public Works Director.

YEAS: Oliver “Ollie” Overton, Jr, Craig Smith, Danny Bordelon, Parrish Giles, Jay Scott, Ernest Nelson, Davron “Bubba” Moreau, Sean McGlothlin and Joe Bishop

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

On roll call vote the motion carried 9-0.

On motion by Mr. Craig Smith, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, to approve the purchase of a remanufactured engine for Asset No. 9892 – 12 yard Dump Truck, cost not to exceed \$29,000.00, as recommended by the Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

There being no further business, motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Craig Smith the meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Theresa Pacholik, Secretary/Treasurer
Rapides Parish Police Jury

Joseph “Joe” Bishop, President
Rapides Parish Police Jury