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APRIL 3, 2025



Notice of Regular Committee Meetings to be held on Monday, April 7, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in the Police Jury Meeting Room, 2nd Floor of Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray Street, Ste. 201, Alexandria.

“Craig Smith, President”

1. **Personnel, Elections, Insurance and Legal Committee.....3**
Chairman: Oliver “Ollie” Overton, Jr.
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Chairman: Parrish W. Giles
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Chairman: Jay Scott
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Chairman: Sean McGlothlin
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Chairman: Randy Harris
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Chairman: Danny Bordelon

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CALL TO ORDER
RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY
STANDING COMMITTEE'S
APRIL 7, 2025

WELCOME

ROLL CALL

IF THERE IS ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA
ITEM IN THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE'S, PLEASE STAND
TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THAT ITEM

PERSONNEL, ELECTIONS,
INSURANCE & LEGAL COMMITTEE
APRIL 7, 2025
OLIVER “OLLIE” OVERTON, JR., CHAIRMAN

1. Public comment on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.
2. Executive Session – Update on Opioid Litigation– Jay Luneau.
(Mr. Smith)
3. Motion 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. 4903 Shreveport Hwy
Pineville, LA 71360
Ward 10, District A
2. 4907 Shreveport Hwy
Pineville, LA 71306
Ward 10, District A

(Mr. Moreau)

4. Motion to proclaim the week of May 4 – 10, 2025, as Public Service Recognition Week in Rapides Parish.
(Mr. Overton)
5. Motion to adjust the salary plan for Auditor I and Auditor II under Rapides Parish Civil Service, to-wit:
 - Auditor I – New Labor Grade Range 22
Class A - \$20.7032 per hour
Minimum qualifications: BS in related field/18hrs in accounting

Class B – 20.1982 per hour

Minimum qualifications: BS in related field/1yr experience

- Auditor II – New Labor Grade Range 24

Class A - \$23.1593 per hour

Minimum qualifications: BS in related field/18hrs in
accounting/2yrs experience/CTE license

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FINANCE COMMITTEE
APRIL 7, 2025
DAVRON “BUBBA” MOREAU, CHAIRMAN

1. Public comment on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.
2. Treasurer’s Report.
3. Motion to accept Project No. 3155 – Work Order No. 21 – Renovations to Police Jury Administration Lobby, Suite 201 as “Substantially Complete” and authorize the Parish President to sign the Substantial Completion certificate, as recommended by Pan American Engineers.
(Mr. Smith)
4. Recognize Betty Jo Bourgeois for her appointment as PJAL representative to serve on the Louisiana Uniform Sales Tax Board and the Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote Sellers.
(Mr. Smith)
5. Motion to ratify the resolution passed on September 10, 2024, authorizing the Parish President to execute an agreement with LA DOTD for Esler Field Airport project no. AIP No. 3-22-0002-036-2024 and SPN TBA, Master Plan Update, Airport Layout Plan and Exhibit “A” Airport Property Inventory Map and reimburse the sponsor up to corrected amount of \$34,500.00 of project cost. The original resolution listed the amount as \$56,000.00.
(Mr. Smith)
6. Motion to authorize the purchase of a Dodge Durango, State Contract No. 4400023795, for Rapides Parish Fire District No. 10 – Plainview VFD, cost not to exceed \$50,000.00, as recommended by Plainview Board of Directors and motion passed by the Board on March 16, 2025.
(Mr. Giles)

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PUBLIC WORKS, WATERSHED & AGRICULTURAL
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
APRIL 7, 2025
PARRISH W. GILES, CHAIRMAN

1. Public comment on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.
2. Public Works Director's Report.
3. Receive a quarterly update from Matt Johns, Executive Director – RAPC, for permits issued by RAPC for Rapides Parish.
4. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 2438 Hickory Hill Road, Pineville, 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.
(Mr. Moreau)
5. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 1429 Bathel Drive, Pineville, 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.
(Mr. Moreau)
6. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 1416 Singer Drive, Pineville, 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.
(Mr. Moreau)

7. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 133 Bankston Street, Pineville, 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.
(Mr. Moreau)
8. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 147 Bankston Street, Pineville, 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.
(Mr. Moreau)
9. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 153 Bankston Street, Pineville, 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.
(Mr. Moreau)
10. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 3309 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, 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.
(Mr. Moreau)
11. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 905 Tioga Road, Pineville, 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.
(Mr. Moreau)

12. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 1812 Henry Avenue, 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.
(Mr. Scott)
13. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 1819 Henry Avenue, 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.
(Mr. Scott)
14. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 1723 Ulster 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.
(Mr. Scott)
15. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 1711 Latimer 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.
(Mr. Scott)
16. Motion to authorize Pan American Engineers to advertise and receive bids for the West River Road Lane Widening project, to be funded by Road District 6A, District H. The estimated construction cost of the project is \$543,000.00.
(Mr. Giles)

17. Motion to authorize Pan American Engineers to receive price quotes for the failed cross drain replacement on Old River Road at Persimmon Bayou, to be funded by Road District 2C, District F. The estimated cost of the project is \$60,500.00.
(Mr. Overton)
18. Motion to award Bid No. 3321 – B Miller Road, No. 3322 – Nation Road, and No. 3324 – St. Clair Ryder Road to the lowest bidder, Diamond B Construction, to include Additive Alternate No. 1, total cost \$1,941,890.00, project to be funded by Act 776 of 2024 Regular Legislative Session – State Aid to Local Government Entities State General Fund Direct, any overage to be funded by the corresponding Road District Fund, and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents.
(Mr. Smith)
19. Motion to authorize the Purchasing Agent to advertise to receive bids for CRS-2 Liquid Asphalt (Annual Bid), to be paid from various funds as recommended by the Public Works Director.
(Mr. Giles)
20. Motion to authorize the Purchasing Agent to advertise to receive bids for MC-30 Liquid Asphalt (Annual Bid), to be paid from various funds as recommended by the Public Works Director.
(Mr. Giles)
21. Motion to authorize to advertise for proposals for grass cutting services on various parish rights of way and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents.
(Mr. Smith)
22. Motion to authorize to advertise for proposals for roadside spraying services on various parish rights of way and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents.
(Mr. Smith)

23. Motion to authorize to advertise for proposals for Standby/as needed Disaster Debris Removal Contract and Standby/as-needed Disaster Debris Removal Management and Financial Recovery Services Contract for future disasters (hurricanes, etc.) and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents.
(Mr. Smith)
24. Motion to extend the agreement with Richard's Bush-Hogging Services, to mow the levees at Cotile, Kincaid and Indian Creek, twice per year for a charge of \$10,528.00 per time, for a total of \$21,056.00, (same price as previous year) to begin as soon as possible, as per recommendation by Public Works Director and agreed upon by Vendor.
(Mr. Smith)
25. Motion to award Bid No. 3392 – District A Road Improvements for 2025, to the lowest bidder, Apeck Construction, total cost \$127,750.00, project to be funded by Road District 10A – District A, and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents.
(Mr. Moreau)

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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT,
& GRANTS COMMITTEE
APRIL 7, 2025
DANIEL LONSBERRY, CHAIRMAN

1. Public comment on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.
2. Receive an update from Ms. Kimberly Boyd for grants administered by RAPC.
3. Motion to adopt a resolution to designate the Rapides Senior Citizens Center, Inc. to be the Contractor, to prepare a grant with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, for July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 for operational funding, to provide rural transportation services in rural parts of Rapides Parish and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents.
(Mr. Smith)
4. Motion to authorize the Parish President to approve the submittal of the LWDA 61 Regional and Local Plan for PY 2024-2027, to the Louisiana Workforce Commission (LWC) as required under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). During the comment period of February 7, 2025 through March 10, 2025 no public comments expressing disagreement with the regional/local plan were received.
(Mr. Smith)

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TOURISM AND ECONOMIC PLANNING
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
APRIL 7, 2025
JAY SCOTT, CHAIRMAN

1. Public comment on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.

2. Motion to authorize participation in the Community Heart Project and purchase a customized design heart and place it on the front lawn of the Rapides Parish Courthouse. Cost of the heart is \$1,250.00, to be funded from General Fund.
(Mr. Smith)

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COURTHOUSE, COLISEUM AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

APRIL 7, 2025

SEAN McGLOTHLIN, CHAIRMAN

1. Public comment on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.
2. Receive an update on the Courthouse & Coliseum.
(Mr. McGlothlin)
3. Motion to authorize Pan American Engineers to advertise and receive bids on interior and exterior lighting and lighting upgrades at the Records Storage Building (Bid No. 3350 – Renovations to Bumper-to-Bumper Building), as recommended by Pan American Engineers.
(Mr. Smith)
4. Motion to accept Project No. 3350 – Records Storage Building – Roofing Project (Renovations to Bumper-to-Bumper Building) as “Substantially Complete” and authorize the Parish President to sign the Substantial Completion certificate upon completion of the punch list items, as recommended by Pan American Engineers.
(Mr. Smith)

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PAROCHIAL BOARD LIAISON
& MUNICIPAL LIAISON COMMITTEE
APRIL 7, 2025
RANDY HARRIS, CHAIRMAN

1. Public comment on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.
2. Receive quarterly update on the Rapides Parish Library from Ms. Celise Reech-Harper.
3. Recognize Ms. Celise Reech-Harper for receiving the 2025 Public Library Director of the Year Award.
(Mr. Smith)
4. Recognize Kendra Bertrand and Shayne Bertrand for each receiving the 2025 Library Support Professional of the Year Award.
(Mr. Smith)
5. Motion to appoint Ms. Jackie Wilson to the Rapides Parish Library Board, representing District C, term will expire September 14, 2029.
(Mr. Smith)

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AMBULANCE, FIRE, HEALTH & HOMELAND
SECURITY COMMITTEE
APRIL 7, 2025
DANNY BORDELON, CHAIRMAN

1. Public comment on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.
2. Motion to receive the required report from Acadian Ambulance under the Contract for February 2025:

Response Zone	Number of Responses	Required %	Compliance %
Alexandria - 8 minute	519	80%	87.86%
Pineville - 8 minute	156	80%	86.54%
Rapides - 12 minute	211	80%	87.20%
Rapides - 20 minute	152	80%	81.58%

(Mr. Bordelon)

3. Motion to authorize the renewal the Memorandum of Understanding between Rapides Parish Police Jury, Rapides Parish Sheriff, American Red Cross, Rapides Parish Coliseum, St. Martin Parish and St. Mary Parish, for assistance in sheltering the critical transportation needs Evacuees and their pets, for a three (3) year term, May 25, 2025 to May 25, 2028. Use of the facility will be a daily rental rate plus a fee for sanitation, garbage and electrical, to be covered by St. Mary/St. Martin Parish Government and authorize the President to sign all necessary documents.
(Mr. Smith)
4. Motion to ratify acceptance of a Volunteer Fire Assistance grant administered by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry for \$8,601.85 for Fire District No. 10. Matching funds to be paid from Fire District No. 16 funds. The purpose of this U.S. Forest Service grant is to assist rural fire departments in building firefighting capacities.
(Mr. Giles)

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