

RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY
Police Jury Meeting Room
2nd Floor, Parish Courthouse
701 Murray Street
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301
(318) 473-6660

Posted February 6, 2026

REGULAR SESSION
February 9, 2026
3:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEM

JURORS COMMENTS

Recognize and receive an update from Rick Reno.

Receive an update from T-Mobile/Metronet Representative per Legal Counsel's meeting with them on February 6, 2026.

1. Motion to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on January 12, 2026, as published in the Official Journal.
2. Motion that approved bills be paid.

*****APPOINTMENTS TO BE ANNOUNCED*****

***Linda Drew McMahon on the Alexandria/Pineville Area Convention and Bureau for a one (1) year term. Term will expire February 8, 2025.

***Jerrod Beaubouef on the Buckeye Recreation District for a five (5) year term. Term will expire February 12, 2025.

***Clayton Harmson on the Buckeye Recreation District for a five (5) year term. Term will expire February 17, 2025.

***Brandon Lee Blaney to the Buckeye Recreation District for a five (5) year term. Term expired November 10, 2023.

***Lance Spears on the Buckeye Recreation District for a five (5) year term. Term expired April 12, 2025.

***Sam DeBona on the Communications District, representing Private Enterprise, for a four (4) year term. Term will expire February 18, 2026.

***Jason DeWitt on the Communications District, representing Parish and State Government, for a four (4) year term. Term will expire February 18, 2026.

***Cindy Cespiva on the Ward 9 Recreation District for a five (5) year term.

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Term will expire February 12, 2026.

- ***Rick Ducote on the Ward 9 Recreation District for a five (5) year term. Term will expire February 12, 2026.
- ***Russell Flowers on the Waterworks District No. 3 Board for a five (5) year term. Term expired on January 1, 2026.
- ***Les West on the Waterworks District 11A Board for a five (5) year term. Term expired on July 12, 2025.
- ***Henry Corley on the Fire Protection District No. 12 Board for a two (2) year term. Term expired January 14, 2025.
- ***Ricky Roy on the Gas Utility District No. 2 Board for a five (5) year term. Term expired October 11, 2024.
- ***Chris Lacombe on the Gas Utility District No. 2 Board for a five (5) year term. Term expired October 11, 2024.
- ***Mark Scarber on the Gas Utility District No. 2 Board for a five (5) year term. Term expired October 11, 2024.

3. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented on February 2, 2026.
4. Motion to adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale of abandoned/adjudicated property located at: Lot Twelve (12), Square Five (5), Shop Addition, Bearing the municipal address of: 3832 Elder Street, Alexandria, to Clarissa Belton, for the consideration of \$1,941.34 cash.
(Finance 02/02)
5. Motion to adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale of abandoned/adjudicated property located at: Lot Ten (10), Square Eighteen (18), South Alexandria Land Co Addn., Bearing the municipal address of: 2012 Wise Street, Alexandria, to Cynthia Shorter, for the consideration of \$2,333.33 cash.
(Finance 02/02)
6. Motion to adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale of abandoned/adjudicated property located at: Lot Thirty-Six (36) feet on Water Street running back to Bayou Beouf, Bearing no municipal address in Lecompte Louisiana, to Otis Payne, for the consideration of \$555.35 cash.
(Finance 02/02)
7. Motion to adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale of abandoned/adjudicated property located at: Lot Sixty-Nine (69) feet on water Street running back to Bayou Beouf, Bearing no municipal address in Lecompte, LA, to Otis Payne, for the consideration of \$555.35 cash.
(Finance 02/02)
8. Motion to halt the process to sell the Abandoned/Adjudicated property listed below. The potential purchaser made the decision to stop the purchase. The property was publicly auctioned on October 6, 2025.

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Tax Debtor	Description
Katherine Young	Part Eleven (11), Square twenty-Four (24) South Alexandria Land Co., Addn. fronting twenty-Eight (28) feet on Harris Street x One Hundred and Fifty (150) feet. Bearing the municipal address of: 2134 Harris Street, Alexandria
Charles E. Ewing III, et al	Part of Lot Eleven (11), Square Twenty-Four (24), S. A. L. Co. Addn. Bearing the municipal address of: 2136 Harris Street, Alexandria
(Finance 02/02)	

9. Motion to authorize the Treasurer to amend the 2026 budget to reflect actual beginning balances.
(Finance 02/02)
10. Motion ratify authorization for the President to sign a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation for the donation of reclaimed asphalt from the location of State Route La 1207, project runs approximately from LA 115: LA 1207 to LA 28, State Project No. H.010341, approximately 152 cubic yards.
(Public Works 02/02)
11. Motion to authorize the Purchasing Agent to receive price quotes for necessary repairs on Will White Road Bridge, as recommended by DOTD inspection. Cost not to exceed \$80,000.00, project to be funded by Road Maintenance 7A, District.
(Public Works 02/02)
12. Motion to authorize the purchase of one (1) lawnmower, for Town of Cheneyville, to be used for Public Works Department, to paid from Road District 3A, District H funds, as requested by the Mayor.
(Public Works 02/02)
13. Motion to amend a certain motion passed on May 13, 2024 to authorize the purchase of a truck off of Louisiana State Contract No. 4400023795, for the Town of Cheneyville Public Works Department, to be paid from Town's

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portion, Road District 3A funds, as requested by the Mayor. Amend motion to correct Louisiana State Contract No.to 4400023793.
(Public Works 02/02)

14. Motion to authorize the Parish President to sign the Agreement between the Chief Elected Official and the Rapides Workforce Development Board signifying the roles and responsibilities of the Office of Economic & Workforce Development Board (OEWD) as the fiscal agent and the administrative entity, and the Workforce Operations Department (WOD) as the provider of Title 1 Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth services authorized by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014 for the contract term of February 1, 2026 thru January 31, 2027 .
(Workforce & Grants 02/02)
15. Motion to participate in the Annual Keep Louisiana Beautiful Love the Boot Week held during the week of April 18-26, 2026.
(Workforce & Grants 02/02)
16. Motion to authorize a military water survival training exercise to be conducted by the US Air Force at Cotile Lake Recreation Area on March 10th & March 11th, 2026 and waive the gate fee for the participants.
(Tourism & Economic Planning 02/02)
17. Motion to authorize the President to execute Beneficial Occupancy documents related to the Courthouse Restroom Renovation Project, construction by DSW Construction, for the second-floor men's restroom as recommended by the Project Engineer and approved by Fire Marshal. The one-year warranty will begin today upon approval of beneficial occupancy.
(Courthouse & Coliseum 02/02)
18. Motion to accept Project No. 3155 – Work Order No. 10 – Renovations to Registrar of Voters as “Substantially Complete” and final payment to be made upon satisfactory completion of punch list items and presentation of Clear Lien Certificate and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents, as recommended by Pan American Engineers, LLC.
(Courthouse & Coliseum 02/02)
19. Motion to accept the sealed bid of Caroline Dessens, Rise Physical Therapy in the amount of \$24,500.00 for the purchase of the small tract of Parish Library property at 5416 Provine Street, as advertised and as approved by

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the Library Control Board, proceeds from sale to be distributed to the Rapides Parish Library.

(Parochial Board & Municipal Liaison 02/02)

20. Motion to authorize the Public Works Director to hire up to twelve (12) seasonal workers for the mowing crews and general labor. Work to begin on or about March 29, 2026 and end no later than November 7, 2026 at the rate of \$14.00 per hour for crew members and \$15.00 per hour for crew leaders, to be paid from the Public Works Salary line item.
(Personnel, Elections & Legal 02/02)

21. Motion to order T-Fiber built by Metronet – Fiber T-Mobile Company to cease and desist operations in Rapides Parish and withhold permits until damages to private property have been resolved.
(Personnel, Elections & Legal 02/02)

22. Motion to receive the required report from **PAFFORD EMS** under the Contract for December 2025 as reviewed by the Rapides Parish Ambulance Control Board:

Response Zone	# of Responses	Average Response Time	Contract % Goal	Compliance
<u>Zone 1 (Alexandria/Pineville)</u> • 8 Minute Zone Life Threatening 8:00 minutes 8:01-8:59 10 minutes 9:36 minutes Non-Life Threatening	828 64 56 83 291	5:39 minutes 7:08 minutes	90%	80.31% 86.52% 91.95% 90%
<u>Zone 2 (Outside Urban Area)</u> • 12 Minutes or Less Life Threatening 12:00 minutes 12:01-12:59 14 minutes 12:06 minutes Non-Life Threatening	317 13 7 18 81	7:40 minutes 9:19 minutes	90%	89.30% 92.96% 94.93% 90%
<u>Zone 3 (Rural Areas)</u> • 20 Minutes Less Life Threatening 20:00 minutes 20:01 – 20:59 22 minutes 20:55 minutes Non-Life Threatening	161 6 6 13 55	12:39 minutes 16:13 minutes	90%	86.56% 89.78% 93.01% 90%
<u>Emergency Hospital</u> 30:00 minutes 31 minutes 32 minutes 17:20 minutes	49 0 0 0		90%	100% 100% 100% 90%
<u>Non-Emergency</u> 90:00 minutes	1,018	13:29	90%	100%
TOTAL	3,066			

Contract Exceptions Taken – 0 – Reasons Stated (For Transparency) = 0.00% of Response Calls Total (3,066)

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(not included in the Response time calculations above)

(Ambulance, Fire Health & Homeland Security 02/02)

23. Motion to authorize the Rapides Parish Fire District No. 10 to purchase Ford F250 Truck from State Contract No. 4400023793, not to exceed \$65,000.00, as requested by the Fire Chief and Plainview Volunteer Fire District Board.

(Ambulance, Fire Health & Homeland Security 02/02)

**ITEMS WERE NOT CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE
OF THE JURY BUT WERE POSTED ON THE AGENDA
AFTER THE COMMITTEE MEETING IN COMPLIANCE
WITH THE PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW AND ARE NOW
CONFIRMED AS HAVING BEEN INCLUDED IN THE
PUBLISHED AGENDA BY 2/3RD VOTE**

24. Motion to accept Project No. 3155 – Work Order No. 3 – Renovations to RPPJ Annex – Gravel Building – 711 Washington Street as “Substantially Complete” and final payment to be made upon satisfactory completion of punch list items and presentation of Clear Lien Certificate, authorize the Veterans’ Affairs Office and Rapides Parish Police Jury Administration and Finance Office to occupy the building and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents, as recommended by Pan American Engineers, LLC.

(Mr. McGlothlin)

25. Motion to authorize cleanup of garbage, trash, weeds and debris at 133 Williams 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. Harris)

26. Motion to initiate the condemnation process of the following property and order the Parish Engineer of Record to inspect the property and provide a report to the Jury:

Property Location:
387 Dupree Street
Pineville, LA 71360
Ward 9, District D

(Mr. Harris)

27. Motion to renew the Fire Service Agreement with the Town of Lecompte for a ten (10) year period, beginning April 16, 2026, with the option to renew for an additional ten (10) years and authorize the President to sign all

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necessary documents.
(Mr. Overton)

28. Motion to ratify authorization of a Declaration of State of Emergency due to an impending threat from Winter Storm issued on January 23, 2026.
(Mr. Smith)
29. Motion to ratify authorization to the termination of the Declaration of State of Emergency for Winter Storm issued on January 23, 2026 and authorize the President to sign termination resolution. Termination was issued on February 2, 2026 and effective immediately.
(Mr. Smith)
30. Motion to authorize to extend Bid No. 3078 (Janitorial Services for Courthouse) with Rapides Janitor Service Inc., for a one (1) year term beginning February 1, 2026 thru January 31, 2027, as recommended by the Purchasing Agent and Courthouse Superintendent and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents.
(Mr. McGlothlin)
31. Motion to adopt a resolution in support of Senator John Kennedy's letter to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife for a formal study on the effects of "Legal Baiting" on duck migration that highlights the decline in mallard harvest in Louisiana and the potential health risk to duck population.
(Mr. Giles)
32. Motion to authorize the purchase of a Skid Steer & Grapple Attachment for the Public Works Department, from State Contract No. 4400026637, to be funded by the LGAP grant and Public Works Operating Fund, as recommended by the Public Works Director.
(Mr. Giles)
33. Motion to approve an hourly rate increase for the following positions at Ward 9 Recreation, to be effective January 25, 2026: Custodian position from \$14.37 per hour to \$16.50 per hour, Head of Maintenance position from \$18.97 per hour to \$20.86 per hour, per motion passed by the Ward 9 Recreation Board of Directors on February 4, 2026.
(Mr. Wiggins)
34. Motion to accept Project No. 3155 – Work Order No. 4 – Elevator Replacement Project as "Substantially Complete" under protest related to the assessment of Liquidated Damages, with the understanding that the final

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payment less assessment of liquidated damages be made under satisfactory completion of any Punch List items and presentation of the Clear Lien Certificate as required by law.
(Mr. McGlothlin)

35. Motion to authorize reimbursement to the Town of Woodworth for public drainage on Castor Plunge Road, not to exceed \$8,500.00, to be funded from Road District 2C, District H funds.
(Mr. Giles)

36. Motion to nominate one (1) of the following nominees submitted by Louisiana Christian University, to fill the expired term of Laurie Meche on the Fire District No. 3 Civil Service Board. New term will expire on November 12, 2029.
Mr. Howard Palmer
Mrs. Claire Dauzat
Mrs. Susan Crooks

(Mr. Moreau)

37. Motion to grant a variance to Chapter 10 ½ - the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, to allow electricity to be extended to three (3) camps located on Saline Bayou off of Paul Deville Road, Tract 1 (14.2 ACS), Tract 2 (2 ACS), and Tract 3 (68 ACS) in Section 26, T5N-R3E, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission.
(Mr. Smith)

38. Motion to renew the current contract and amendments with CLAHEC (Central Louisiana Area Health Education Center) for the Health Unit for the purpose of Operation Support and other Health Unit activities, to be paid from the Health Unit Fund, as recommended by Dr. Christina Lord, Regional Administrator, beginning March 1, 2026 for a three (3) year period and authorize the President to sign same.
(Mr. Smith)

39. Motion to authorize the extension of the lease agreement for the office space at the Kinetix Building, 900 4th Street, Alexandria, LA, term of lease agreement will be month-to-month, to be used for the Registrar of Voters Office and authorize the Parish President to sign all necessary documents.
(Mr. McGlothlin)

**ITEMS WERE NOT CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE
OF THE JURY AND WERE NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA
BUT ARE NOW ADDED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**

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ADJOURNMENT

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