

RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY  
REGULAR SESSION  
JULY 12, 2021

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, July 12, 2021, at three (3:00) o'clock p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Jr., Vice President, presiding as President Pro Tem and Police Jurors: Davron "Bubba" Moreau, Joe Bishop, Theodore Fountaine, Jr., Rusty Wilder, Sean McGlothlin, David Johnson, and Doris Perry.

Juror absent was Craig Smith, President.

Also present were Theresa Pacholik, Treasurer; Shane Trapp, Courthouse Building Superintendent; Donna Andries, Sales & Use Tax Administrator; Elaine Morace, WIA Operations Director; Cory Ashmore, Public Works Director, Greg Jones, Legal Counsel and Lawanda Stewart, Assistant Secretary.

The invocation was given by Reverend Joseph Franklin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Joe Bishop.

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

The President Pro Tem asked if there was any public comment on any agenda item, to which there was no response.

The first item on the agenda was to recognize Dr. David Holcombe, Director of the Rapides Parish Health Unit, for an update on public health, Covid-19 Delta Variant.

Dr. David Holcombe stated they had finally achieved 27% of vaccinations in Central Louisiana. Rapides Parish is a little higher at 30% and the state at large is 40%. There are about 60% of older people vaccinated. Dr. Holcombe stated the Delta Variant started at 3% in Louisiana and jumped to 30% and is now 60%. It is more transmissible and every single parish throughout the state has rising rates. Dr. Holcombe stressed everyone needed to get the vaccination.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Ollie Overton, President Pro Tem, recognized Sheriff Mark Wood from the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Wood stated for the last year and a half, they have done a really good job of keeping the COVID out of the Corrections. DC 1 there are cases, they are in the process of testing guards and inmates. Three went to the hospital, they came right back. They have already started litigation of isolating, testing and such. They have talked to Dr Holcombe's Office about the rapid test. He further stated he talked to Judge Doggett and told

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them they were not sending any inmates out this week. Sheriff Wood stated he felt they had a handle on the situation.

The next item on the agenda was to recognize Ms. Kelia Bingham, LWI Region 5 Watershed Coordinator, for a brief update on the work/progress made to date in Region 5. Ms. Rachel Godeaux spoke first.

Ms. Rachel Godeaux, Acadiana Planning Commission, Community & Economic Development Director, gave a brief overview of the Acadiana Planning Commission.

Ms. Kelia Bingham, LWI Region 5 Watershed Coordinator, gave a brief update on the work/progress made to date in Region 5. The Louisiana Watershed Initiative began in 2016, by Governor Edwards Office, introducing watershed-based approaches to reducing flood risk regionally. Funds are allocated for local watershed projects and state programs, projects and watershed modeling.

Discussion ensued.

Ms. Godeaux stated there were already nearly 190 applications that were submitted on behalf of the entire state and about 20% were awarded in the initial Round 1. The projects awarded are the ones that were most ready and a lot of areas were left behind because they did not have the necessary technical capacity to apply for the grant or maybe they didn't have the necessary funds to develop the applications. Round 2 there will be a more even playing field to allow those entities to be able to seek out funds. Round 1 in Region 5, Alexandria actually had two projects that were submitted and awarded for Round 1 funds. Congratulations to Rapides.

The next item was to recognize Mr. Jay Huner concerning Cotile Lake.

Mr. Jay Huner stated he was under the understanding that Cotile Lake was going to be lowered. He thought it was on the agenda, but it is not.

Mr. Rusty Wilder stated the Jury did go by the recommendation of Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries who suggested that we do Indian Creek this year and we had tried to do Kincaid last year, but unfortunately Mother Nature did not allow us to. We are trying to follow up with that as well. If all that goes as according to plan, he would be happy to look at doing Cotile Lake next year.

Mr. Huner stated even a partial draw down would help a lot of people.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Rusty Wilder, to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on June 14, 2021 and June 18, 2021 held in Special Session, as published in the Official Journal. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, that approved bills be paid. On vote the motion carried.

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On motion by Mr. Theodore Fountaine, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Dennis Frazier to the England Economic & Industrial Development District for a four (4) year term. Term will expire September 9, 2025. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and appoint Mr. Sam Spurgeon to the England Economic & Industrial Development District for a four (4) year term, to fill the expiring term of Mr. Scott Linzay. Term will expire September 9, 2025. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Rusty Wilder, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, of Intent to sell the following Abandoned/Adjudicated Properties:

TAX DEBTOR	DESCRIPTION
Renee Bordelon	Lot Eight (8), Square Three (3), Chester Place Bearing the Municipal address of: 32 Chester Street, Alexandria
Diane S. Harris, ET AL	Lot Six (6), Square Twelve (12), Fair Grounds and Machine Shop Addition Bearing the Municipal address of: 3724 13th Street, Alexandria
Jim Duncan C/O Annie Duncan	Clark Lot Five (5), Square Five (5), Lincoln Place Bearing the Municipal address of: 127 Frances Street, Alexandria
Adair Asset Mgmt/ US Bank	Lot Two (2), Block Five (5) Hundley-Roberts Addn Bearing the Municipal address of: 392 20th Street, Alexandria
Curtisteen T Matthews, ET AL	Part of Lot Twelve (12) & Thirteen (13), Square Twenty-four (24), South Alexandria Land Company Addition Bearing the Municipal Address of: 2156 Harris Street, Alexandria
Lena M. Henderson	Part of Lot Five (5), Square Thirty-Three (33) SAL CO. Bearing the Municipal address of: 0 Mill Street, Alexandria
Vernon Smith	½ of Lot Three (3), Square Four (4), Hill-Harris Subdivision Bearing the Municipal address of: 2912 Harris Street, Alexandria

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Clifton Morris Elisa M. Pizarro	Lot Eighteen (18), Square Three (3), C/O SamTown Subdivision Bearing the Municipal Address of: 3208 Bloch Street, Alexandria
Lena Mae Gordon	Part of Lot Fifteen (15), Square Fifteen (15), South Alexandria Land Company Addition Bearing the municipal address of: 0 Mason Street, Alexandria
Kolor Blind Properties, LLC	Part of Lots Thirteen (13) Fourteen (14) and Fifteen (15), of Square Five (5) Welch Addition; fronting 94.7' on North 16th Street & Part of Lots Sixteen (16), Seventeen (17), Eighteen (18) of Square Five (5) Bearing the municipal addresses of: 109 N. 15th Street & 124 & 126 N. 16th Street, Alexandria
Alice Jones	Lot Ten (10) and Eleven (11) of Square Twelve (12), Fair Grounds and Machine Shop Addition & Adj 5' of Revoked Alley Bearing the municipal address of: 1310 Willow Glen River Road, Alexandria
Ida Hurts C/O Alice Jones	Lot Twelve (12), Square Twelve (12), Fair Grounds and Machine Shop & ADJ 5' of Revoked Alley Bearing the municipal address of: 1314 Willow Glen River Road, Alexandria
Billionaire Properties LLC	Lot Forty-Seven (47) and ADJ 5' of Lot Forty-Six (46), C J Ellington Subdv less strip sold to City in CB 1630-927 Bearing the municipal address of: 614 Harold Glen St, Alexandria

On vote the motion carried.

On motion Mr. Rusty Wilder, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to delete from the Registrar of Voters Asset Inventory Program the equipment listed below as it is no longer suitable for public use:

Asset Number	Description	Disposal
11137	Lexmark MS810N Printer	Scrap

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Rusty Wilder, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, to grant the 2% annual longevity pay increase mandated by the State for eligible Rapides

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Parish Fire Protection District No. 7 employees, effective August 1, 2021, to be paid out of Fire Protection District No. 7 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Rusty Wilder, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, to authorize Rapides Parish Fire District No. 7 to submit a grant application to the Volunteer Fire Assistance Program administered through the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Office of Forestry, for equipment, as requested by the Ruby Kolin Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors and authorize the President to sign necessary documents. This is a 50% matching fund program with a total cost not to exceed \$6,000. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Rusty Wilder, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, to grant the 2% annual longevity pay increase mandated by the State for eligible Rapides Parish Fire Protection District No. 2 employees, effective August 1, 2021, to be paid out of Fire Protection District No. 2 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. David Johnson, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to grant the 2% annual longevity pay increase mandated by the State for eligible Rapides Parish Fire Protection District No. 4 employees, effective August 1, 2021, to be paid out of Fire Protection District No. 4 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Rusty Wilder, to advertise for Request for Qualifications for engineering services for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funded projects. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, to delete from the Rapides Parish Fire District No. 7 the following equipment for the reasons indicated:

Asset Number	Description	Disposal
10620	Lightbar	Sold on Truck 10634 to Effie Fire Dept.
12206	Ice Chest	Scrap
8026	Deck Gun	Sold on Truck 5939 to Fire District No. 6

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Rusty Wilder, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, to delete from the Rapides Parish Adult Drug Program the following equipment as this equipment was sold in the auction in March:

Asset Number	Description	Disposal
10387	Dell Server	Auctioned – Sold
10662	Dell Notebook	Auctioned – Sold
10663	Dell Notebook	Auctioned - Sold

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to grant a 2% pay increase to all full-time Rapides Parish Fire Protection District No. 3 employees, in addition to any mandated raises, effective August 1, 2021, as recommended by the Alpine Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors, to be

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paid out of Fire Protection District No. 3 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to grant a \$0.25 per hour pay increase to all part-time Rapides Parish Fire Protection District No. 3 employees, effective August 1, 2021, as recommended by the Alpine Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors, to be paid out of Fire Protection District No. 3 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, to grant the 2% annual longevity pay increase mandated by the State for eligible Rapides Parish Fire Protection District No. 3 employees, effective August 1, 2021, as recommended by Fire Chief David Corley, to be paid out of Fire Protection District No. 3 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. David Johnson, seconded by Mr. Rusty Wilder, to authorize to purchase two (2) Fire Engines for Rapides Parish Fire District No. 5 off the Lamas State Contract, not to exceed \$800,000.00, secure financing and authorize the President to sign any necessary documentation, as requested by the Fire District No. 5 Board of Directors. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Rusty Wilder, to award Bid# 2931 (Purchase Cooling Tower for Courthouse) to Sams Air Conditioning Maintenance Service, Inc. in the amount of \$62,000.00, as requested by Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. David Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to approve Parish Engineer to perform Drainage & Damage Survey and application for NRCS EWP Waterway cleanup project on Bayou Latanier & Cherrywinche Creek. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Rusty Wilder, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to authorize to solicit request for proposal for the leasing of certain areas located at Cotile Lake and Kincaid Lake for the purpose of cutting hay.

Substitute motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, to extend Bid# 2641 (Hay Lease) for one year (May 1, 2021 thru April 30, 2022) as requested by the Purchasing Agent. On vote the substitute motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Ball for the Rapides Parish Public Works Department to provide labor, namely (2) Equipment Operator I for up to 40 hours each and (1) Equipment Operator II for up to 40 hours and equipment, namely (1) track hoe for up to 40 hours and (2) 14-yard dump trucks for up to 40 hours each to perform ditching on Daniels Road, Beeson Road and Ball Loop and to authorize the President to sign necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Rusty Wilder, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, that leased Duck Blinds on Kincaid Lake for 2021, already paid for, be allowed to carry their

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leases over to 2022, due to the drawdown on the lake. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to authorize the Rapides Parish Police Jury to enter into an agreement with Durable Piling Restoration, L.L.C. to repair/splice bridge pilings on the Lee Bridge Road bridge over Flagon Bayou at an estimated cost of \$55,000 and authorize the Parish President to sign necessary contract documents as recommended by Parish Engineer, Pan American Engineers, LLC. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bubba Moreau, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, to authorize the President to sign a nomination form, for the Rapides Workforce Development Board, for Kevin Hood, Human Resources/External Relations Manager for Proctor & Gamble, replacing Aiesha Wright and sign a letter to the Louisiana Workforce Commission concerning new/removed members. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, to authorize renovations to the Rapides Parish Clerk of Court's office on the 1st floor pending Fire Marshal approval. All renovations to be paid from Clerk of Court Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. David Johnson, to authorize roadway, roadbed, road shoulders, culverts supporting roadbeds and road culvert improvements on the following streets within the Town of Lecompte's Corporate Limits; Willow Street, Pine Street, Ford Street, Union Street, Walnut Street, Maple Street, St Charles Avenue and Canal Street, not to exceed \$330,000, to be paid out of Road District 3A funds, Town's portion. On vote the motion carried.

The following ordinance was offered by Mr. Joe Bishop and seconded by Mr. David Johnson.

ORDINANCE

An ordinance creating Road District No. 2B (Ward 11) Sales Tax District of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Section 338.54 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, authorizes the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Police Jury"), to create a sales tax district within the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"); and

WHEREAS, it is now the desire of the Police Jury to create a sales tax district in the Parish containing all of the territory described in Section 1 of this Ordinance, all for the purpose of submitting to the electorate of said sales tax district the question of the imposition of a sales and use tax in said sales tax district in the manner provided by the aforesaid statutory provision and Article VI, Section 30 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Parish, that:

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SECTION 1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 338.54 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, there is hereby created a sales tax district in the Parish, which sales tax district shall comprise all the territory within the boundaries of Road District No. 2B (Ward 11) of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, as such boundaries presently exist.

SECTION 2. The sales tax district hereby created shall be known and designated as "Road District No. 2B (Ward 11) Sales Tax District of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana" (the "District"); and the seal of the Parish is hereby adopted as the seal of the District. The governing authority of the District shall be the Police Jury, the domicile shall be the regular meeting place of the Police Jury and the officers of the Police Jury shall be the officers of the District.

SECTION 3. The District shall have all powers granted to it under Louisiana law, including the power to levy a sales and use tax in accordance with Section 338.54 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and Article VI, Section 30 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and to fund the proceeds thereof into bonds for the purposes for which the sales and use tax is authorized to be used.

SECTION 4. In case any one or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions of this ordinance, but the same shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provisions enacted after the date of this ordinance which validate or make legal any provisions thereof shall be deemed to apply hereto.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall become effectively immediately upon adoption.

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

YEAS: Doris Perry, David Johnson, Sean McGlothlin, Rusty Wilder, Theodore Fontaine, Jr., Joe Bishop, Davron "Bubba" Moreau and Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Jr.

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Craig Smith

ABSTAINING: none

And the ordinance was declared adopted on this, the 12th day of July, 2021.

/s/ Laurel Smith  
Secretary

/s/ Craig Smith  
President

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Monday, August 9,



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2021 at 3:00 p.m. at its regular meeting place the Police Jury Room of the Rapides Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Alexandria, Louisiana, the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Road District No. 2B (Ward 11) Sales Tax District of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of a sales and use tax therein.

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Room of the Rapides Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Alexandria, Louisiana, the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling special elections to be held in (i) Fire Protection District Number 6 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, (ii) Fire Protection District Number 8 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, (iii) Road District No. 1B of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, (iv) Road District No. 6A of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana and (v) Sub-Road District No. 1 of Road District No. 2B (Ward 11) of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of ad valorem taxes therein.

On motion by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, the following ordinance was presented and to amend Parish Drug Testing Policy, Division 3. – Employee Substance Abuse Testing, Section 2-108. – Terms. (a), to be effective immediately, as follows:

ORDINANCE

DIVISION 3. – EMPLOYEE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TESTING

Sec. 2-108. – Terms.

(a) The police jury shall require **the taking of two (2) original test samples on employee drug testing, the second sample to be provided for the employee to request an independent testing where the initial test is positive for** drug and/or alcohol testing under the following circumstances:

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED in all other respects Section 2.108 of the Rapides Parish Code of Ordinances shall remain unchanged.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

On motion by Mr. David Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to receive the required report from Acadian Ambulance under the Contract for May, 2021:

Response Zone	Number of Responses	Required %	Compliance %
Alexandria - 8 minute	574	80%	91.64%
Pineville - 8 minute	190	80%	85.26%
Rapides - 12 minute	234	80%	91.88%

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Rapides - 20 minute 218 80% 88.07%  
On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, that the following items were not considered by the Committee of the Jury but were posted on the agenda after the Committee Meeting and added to the Jury agenda in compliance with the Public Meetings Law and are now confirmed as having been added to the agenda by two-thirds vote:

YEAS: Doris Perry, David Johnson, Sean McGlothlin, Rusty Wilder, Theodore Fountaine, Jr., Joe Bishop, Davron "Bubba" Moreau and Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Jr.

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Craig Smith

On roll call vote the motion carried 8-0.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to authorize the Rapides Parish Police Jury to enter into an agreement with Cross & Co. (Six Mile Tract), to purchase wetland mitigation credits as required by the USACE, for the Bethel Road over Slash Bayou, LDOTD Off-System Bridge Replacement Project (H.013120), at a cost of \$6,700, and authorize the Parish President to sign necessary documents, as recommended by Parish Engineer, Pan American Engineers, LLC. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. David Johnson, seconded by Mr. Rusty Wilder, to delete from the Rapides Parish Courthouse Asset/Inventory Program the equipment listed below as this equipment is not operational and replacements have been ordered:

Asset Number	Description	Disposal
9653	AED With Pulse OX	To be auctioned
9654	AED With Pulse OX	To be auctioned
9655	AED With Pulse OX	To be auctioned

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to add the following motions to the agenda, received after the Jury Meeting agenda was posted in compliance with the Public Meetings Law and are now confirmed as having been added to the agenda by unanimous vote:

YEAS: Doris Perry, David Johnson, Sean McGlothlin, Rusty Wilder, Theodore Fountaine, Jr., Joe Bishop, Davron "Bubba" Moreau and Oliver "Ollie" Overton, Jr.

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Craig Smith

On roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, the following resolution was presented and unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION ENDORSING CRAIG SMITH IN HIS  
CANDIDACY FOR ELECTION AS REGION EIGHT EXECUTIVE  
BOARD MEMBER ON THE POLICE JURY ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith is currently serving his third term as Police Juror of the Rapides Parish Police Jury representing District C, which includes all of Ward 11 and parts 9 and 10; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith is currently serving as President of the Rapides Parish Police Jury and has also served as President in 2016, 2017 and 2020 and Vice-President in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith, as President of the Police Jury, he serves on the Rapides Area Planning Commission, Chamber of Commerce, Regional Infrastructure Beltway Committee, and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was the Chairman of the Workforce Development and Municipal Liaison Committee for 2019 and has served as a member of the Finance Committee; Public Works, Watershed and Agricultural Affairs Committee; Coliseum Liaison Committee; Grants, Economic Planning and Development Committee; Courthouse and Tourism Committee; Parochial Board Liaison and Legal Committee; Personnel, Elections and Health Committee and Insurance, Ambulance, Fire and Homeland Security Committee of the Rapides Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith is a member of the National Association of County Officials, where he currently serves on the Community, Economic and Workforce Development Steering Committee; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Rapides Parish Police Jury, in Regular Session convened on this 12th day of July, 2021, does hereby urge all Parishes in the 8th Police Jury Region to endorse and support the election of Mr. Craig Smith for Executive Board Member of the 8th Police Jury Region of the Police Jury Association of Louisiana in the August 19, 2021 election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to all Police Juries in the 8th District of the Police Jury Association of Louisiana requesting support for Mr. Craig Smith in his candidacy for election as Executive Board Member of the 8th Police Jury Region of the Police Jury Association of Louisiana in the August 19, 2021 election.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this 12th day of July, 2021.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Bubba Moreau, to amend the current Intergovernmental Agreement for Voluntary Inmate Labor with the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office, to add one (1) inmate crew with a deputy for Area

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1 at a cost of \$5,800.00/ per month. Total annual contract budget shall not exceed \$208,800.00. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Rusty Wilder, to add to the agenda an Executive Session to discuss the matter of J. Strother v. Rapides Parish Police Jury – personnel issue – threat of litigation against the Rapides Parish Police Jury.

Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: Doris Perry, David Johnson, Sean McGlothlin, Rusty Wilder, Theodore Fountaine, Jr., Joe Bishop, Davron “Bubba” Moreau and Oliver “Ollie” Overton, Jr.

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Craig Smith

On roll call vote the motion carried unanimously at 3:52 p.m.

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On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, to come out of Executive Session at 3:59 p.m.

On motion by Mr. Joe Bishop, seconded by Mr. Sean McGlothlin, to accept recommendation of Legal Counsel in the matter of J. Strother v. Rapides Parish Police Jury – personnel issue – threat of litigation against the Rapides Parish Police Jury. On vote the motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, motion by Mr. David Johnson, seconded by Mr. Joe Bishop, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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Laurel Smith, Secretary  
Rapides Parish Police Jury

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Craig Smith, President  
Rapides Parish Police Jury