

**OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015
POLICE JURY CONFERENCE ROOM**

The Finance Committee of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury met on December 7, 2015 in the Police Jury Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:16 PM by Walt Caldwell, Chairman.

Jurors attending:

Walt Caldwell, Chairman

Mack Calhoun

Pat Moore

Ollibeth Reddix

Scotty Robinson

Shane Smiley

Mrs. Robin Toms, director, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Ouachita Parish Public Library and the Library Capital Outlay funds. Discussion ensued. The library operations fund includes a transfer to the capital outlay fund. The capital outlay funds will be used for future building repairs and improvements. The library board would like to meet with representatives from the Police Jury to discuss future capital outlays.

Mrs. Moore moved and Dr. Reddix seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Ouachita Parish Public Library and Library Capital Outlay funds. Motion carried.

Mr. Kevin Crosby, engineer, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for Capital Outlay Road Program and Capital Outlay Urban Systems. Discussion ensued. Public Works will be transferring \$500,000.00 to the Road Program in 2016. There continues to be transfers from the Road Program to Urban Systems. The funds will be available for the Finks Hideaway project as well as other road projects.

Mr. Smiley moved and Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for Capital Outlay Road Programs and Capital Outlay Urban Systems. Motion carried.

Mr. Kevin Crosby, engineer, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Drainage Program. Discussion ensued. There is a transfer from the general fund of \$500,000.00 in both budgets.

Mr. Calhoun moved and Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Drainage Program. Motion carried.

Mr. Craig Lott, director, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the 9-1-1 Communications District. Discussion ensued. Questions remained regarding line item 6021 – Purchase of Computer Equipment from the last meeting when the budget was presented. Additional licenses are needed for the software used by the District and other agencies. The advisory committee has decided to seek an Attorney General’s opinion on the matter. The Police Jury finance committee decided to budget \$105,000.00 in line item.

Mrs. Moore moved and Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the 9-1-1 Communications District. Motion carried.

Mr. Warren Lee along with Mr. Brad Cammack presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Coroner’s Office and the Coroner’s Revenue fund. The Coroner’s Office is part of the General Fund’s budget. Discussion ensued.

Mrs. Moore moved and Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Coroner’s Office and the Coroner’s Revenue fund. Motion carried.

Mr. Brad Cammack, treasurer, presented the 2015 Amended budget for the Capital Outlay Economic Development fund. This fund had been used for the auto plant. Discussion ensued. Most of the taxes that were paid to the fund have been refunded. The amount remaining represents tax payers that are difficult to identify. There is no budget for 2016.

Mrs. Moore moved and Mr. Smiley seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended budget for the Capital Outlay Economic Development fund. Motion carried.

Mr. Brad Cammack, treasurer, presented the 2015 Amended budget for the DOTD Grant to ARCO. Discussion ensued. There is no budget for 2016.

Mrs. Moore moved and Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended budget for the DOTD Grant to ARCO. Motion carried.

Mr. Brad Cammack, treasurer, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for Ingleside Sewer District. Discussion ensued.

Dr. Reddix moved and Mr. Smiley seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets with a \$4.50 rate increase in 2016. Motion carried.

Mr. Brad Cammack, treasurer, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Health Unit and the Health Unit Capital Outlay fund. Dr. Shelly Jones and Mr. Jeff Toms had appeared in the Police Jury's regular meeting as visitors to discuss the budget and any questions. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Smiley moved and Mrs. Moore seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Health Unit and the Health Unit Capital Outlay fund. Motion carried.

Mr. Brad Cammack, treasurer, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the District Attorney's Office. This budget is part of the General Fund. Discussion ensued.

Mrs. Moore moved and Dr. Reddix seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the District Attorney's office. Motion carried.

Mr. Brad Cammack, treasurer, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Criminal Court Fund. Discussion ensued. No action was taken.

Mr. Cammack presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Registrar of Voters' Office. The budget is part of the General Fund. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Smiley moved and Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the Registrar of Voters' Office. Motion carried.

Mr. Brad Cammack, treasurer, presented the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the General Fund. Many of the individual budgets within the larger budget have previously been presented and approved. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Calhoun exits the meeting at 9:15 PM.

Mr. Smiley moves and Mrs. Moore seconds a motion to approve the 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed budgets for the General Fund. Motion carried.

Mr. Smiley moved and Mr. Caldwell seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:34 PM.

Walt Caldwell, Chairman

Karen Cupit, Recording Secretary