

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY, PARISH OF OUACHITA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON, MONDAY, JULY 6, 2020 AT 5:32 P.M.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana met in a regular session in the Ouachita Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Monroe, Louisiana on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 5:32 p.m., and was duly convened by Mr. Shane Smiley, President.

Mr. Bratton gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Members Present</u>	(4)
Larry Bratton	District C
Michael Thompson	District D
Shane Smiley	District E
Lonnie Hudson	District F
<u>Members Absent</u>	(2)
Scotty Robinson	District A
Jack Clampit	District B

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The president asked if there were any additions or amendments to the agenda. Mr. Mitchell asked to add the annual physician contracts for the correctional center and Green Oaks to the agenda. The contracts were received after the agenda was published and action was needed before the next meeting of the Jury. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Thompson to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed without opposition.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The president asked for public comments concerning any matters on the approved agenda. No one appeared or came forth to speak during this time.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes of the regular Police Jury meeting including the committee meetings held on June 15, 2020 was offered by Mr. Bratton, seconded by Mr. Thompson. Motion passed without opposition.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

The president convened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 9340 – An Ordinance to authorize an Act of Sale by the Parish of Ouachita to sell certain adjudicated properties (Parcels 18510, 70905, 64493, 58960, 51183, 64530, 46079, 15367, & 62389) by public auction; and, further providing with respect thereto. No one appeared to speak in favor of or against said ordinance. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Thompson to close the public hearing. Motion passed without opposition.

The president convened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 9341 – An Ordinance revoking the southernmost portion of Galispi Road; and, further providing with respect thereto. No one appeared to speak in favor of or against said ordinance. Mr. Mitchell advised that he had spoken to the landowner north of the section of road to be revoked who had no objection and that the owner of the land where said section of road was located had requested the revocation. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Thompson to close the public hearing. Motion passed without opposition.

VISITORS:

There were none.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

The following department heads presented monthly reports.

ANIMAL CONTROL: **Ms. Stephanie Mullins, Director**
Ms. Mullins stated that she did not have any items to add to her written report.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS: **Ms. Doretha Bennett, Director**
Ms. Bennett stated that she did not have any items to add to her written report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: **Chief Pat Hemphill**
Chief Hemphill stated that he did not have any items to add to his written report.

GREEN OAKS: **Mr. Ken Rochelle, Director**
Mr. Rochelle stated that he did not have any items to add to his written report.

**HOMELAND SECURITY &
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:** **Mr. Neal Brown, Director**
Mr. Brown stated that he did not have any items to add to his written report.

LIBRARY: **Ms. Robin Toms, Director**
Ms. Toms stated that she did not have any items to add to her written report.

MOSQUITO CONTROL: **Ms. Shannon Rider, Director**
Ms. Rider stated that all mosquito test pools are negative for disease.

PRE-TRIAL DETAINEES: **Ms. Julia Kirby, Coordinator**
Ms. Kirby stated that she did not have any items to add to her written report.

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A motion to recess the regular meeting in favor of the Personnel Committee meeting was offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson. Motion passed without opposition.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING

The chair, Mr. Bratton, called the Personnel Committee meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

The chair recognized Chief Hemphill, Fire Department. Chief Hemphill recommended the following personnel actions for approval.

Sick Leave

Name	Action	Effective Date
Bedoit, Heath	Termination of sick leave	6/03/2020
Mathis, Xavier	Termination of sick leave	4/30/2020
Turner, Nicholas	Sick leave	4/23/2020
Daniel, Michael	Sick leave	5/12/2020
Hannon, Melvin	Sick leave	4/30/2020
Turner, Nicholas	Termination of sick leave	5/31/2020
Hannon, Melvin	Termination of sick leave	6/01/2020
Gable, Kenneth A.	Sick leave	6/07/2020

Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Thompson to approve the sick leave as recommended by the chief. Motion passed without opposition.

Confirmations

Name	From	To	Effective Date
Jones, Tina	Prob. Communications Officer	Perm. Communications Officer	7/02/2020
Williams, Nedra	Prob. Communications Officer	Perm. Communications Officer	7/02/2020

Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson to approve the confirmations as recommended by the chief. Motion passed without opposition.

New Hire

Name	Action	Effective Date
Peebles, Stephanie	Prob. Communications Officer	7/07/2020

Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson to approve the new hire subject to passing any remaining tests as recommended by the chief. Motion passed without opposition.

Transfer

Name	From	To
Ditta, Jason	Driver	Prob. Fire Prevention Officer

Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson to approve the transfer subject to passing any remaining requirements as recommended by the chief. Motion passed without opposition.

Resignations

Name	Action	Effective Date
Johnson, Abarreion	Resignation/Recruit	6/15/2020
Smith, Mason	Resignation/Recruit	6/29/2020

Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson to approve the resignations as recommended by the chief. Motion passed without opposition.

The chair recognized Ms. Doretha Bennett, Federal Programs. Ms. Bennett stated that the LaJET program and Job Plus Program will be ending and therefore requested to terminate the following employees: Jackie Arnold, Joniece Wilson, Shanderic Downs, and LaTonya Jackson. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Thompson to terminate the employees as requested. Motion passed without opposition.

The chair recognized Mr. Rochelle, Green Oaks. Mr. Rochelle requested to open two positions for Juvenile Detention Officer II part-time. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Hudson to open the positions. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Rochelle requested to open a position for Juvenile Detention Officer II full-time. Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Smiley to open the position. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Rochelle requested to hire the following people to the position of Juvenile Detention Officer II full-time: Steven Jones, Freddie Menyweathers, Kimberly Kenley, Deonta Watkins, Jonathan Hubbard, Courent Hill, and Shanderic Downs. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Smiley to approve the new hires as requested subject to receiving clear background checks. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Rochelle requested to terminate Lerita Marzett. Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson to approve the termination. Motion passed without opposition.

There being no other business the Personnel Committee meeting a motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Bratton, seconded by Mr. Hudson. Motion passed without opposition.

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A motion to enter into the Public Works Committee meeting was offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Smiley. Motion passed without opposition.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

The chair, Mr. Thompson, called the Public Works Committee meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

The chair recognized Mr. Crosby, Engineer. Mr. Crosby spoke regarding final subdivision approval for Good Hope Hills, Unit 2 and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Hudson to grant final subdivision approval for Good Hope Hills, Unit 2

subject to comments from the Public Works Department and parish engineer being adequately answered and all punch list items completed. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding final subdivision approval for Sandy Beaches, Unit 2 and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Bratton to grant final subdivision approval for Sandy Beaches, Unit 2 subject to comments from the Public Works Department and parish engineer being adequately answered and all punch list items completed. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Crosby presented Change Order No. 3 for Greenbriar Drive and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Bratton to approve Change Order No. 3. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Crosby presented the substantial completion for Greenbriar Drive and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Thompson to accept the substantial completion. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding McGuire Ranch Road and stated that the average daily traffic in 2014 was 232 on the west end and 96 on the east end in 2019. Mr. Crosby stated that an updated traffic count would be conducted. The cost estimate for the project is \$1,400,000.00. Mr. Crosby further explained that the estimate reflected \$320,000.00 for the west end and \$1,080,000.00 for the east end.

Mr. Crosby asked to defer the item regarding D'Arbonne Hills drainage.

Mr. Crosby updated the Jury on other ongoing projects in the parish.

There being no other business to come before this committee at this time a motion to adjourn the Public Works committee meeting and reconvene the regular meeting was offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Smiley. Motion passed without opposition. The Public Works Committee meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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The president reconvened the regular Police Jury meeting.

Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Clampit to ratify and adopt all actions taken in the committee meetings. Motion passed without opposition.

MOTIONS * ORDINANCES * RESOLUTIONS:

The president stated that Mr. Robinson was not at the meeting.

Mr. Clampit being absent, Mr. Mitchell presented the following item on his behalf.

MR. JACK CLAMPIT, DISTRICT B:

Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the cooperative endeavor agreement with the National Weather Service and stated that the National Weather Service was looking for a location in the Calhoun community to place a weather reporting station. Chief Hemphill has given approval for the station to be placed at the Carlton Station No. 16. Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson to approve a cooperative endeavor agreement with the National Weather Service. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Bratton, District C.

MR. LARRY BRATTON, DISTRICT C:

Mr. Bratton stated that he did not have any items.

The president recognized Mr. Thompson, District D.

MR. MICHAEL THOMPSON, DISTRICT D:

Mr. Thompson recognized the BRIDGE group that was attending the meeting and thanked them for what they are doing in the community.

MR. SHANE SMILEY, DISTRICT E:

Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Thompson offered the following ordinance for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 9343

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION SERVITUDE TO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR PARCEL NO. 1-2-C-1, STATE PROJECT NO. H.008226 (“CHENIERE SPILLWAY & BRIDGE REPLACEMENT”); AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS; in connection with a project to replace the bridge and spillway over which La. Hwy. 3033 crosses Cheniere Lake, the State of Louisiana, through its Department of Transportation and Development (“La. DOTD”), has requested the Ouachita Parish Police Jury (“OPPJ”) grant, without appraisal and monetary payment, a temporary construction servitude over a portion of the OPPJ’s property in or along Cheniere Lake identified as Parcel No. 1-2-C-1 on Sheet No. 1 of the property map for State Project No. H.008226;

WHEREAS, the completion of this project by the La. DOTD is of vital importance to the OPPJ as it will allow the OPPJ to once again control the water levels in Cheniere Lake and will provide an improved bridge for motorists using La. Hwy. 3033 for decades to come; thus, the

OPPJ desires to grant the requested temporary construction servitude without undue delay or expense in order to expedite moving this project to construction;

WHEREAS, the interest of the OPPJ in moving this project to construction without undue delay and in assisting La. DOTD to complete this project with available funds outweighs any monetary compensation that might be paid to the OPPJ if it required DOTD to go through the delay and expense of the appraisal and compensation process; and,

WHEREAS, the grant of this temporary construction servitude without monetary compensation serves the interest of the citizens of the Parish of Ouachita by advancing a project that preserve and improve Cheniere Lake;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that the grant of a temporary construction servitude over a portion of its property in or along Cheniere Lake identified as Parcel No. 1-2-C-1 on Sheet No. 1 of the property map for State Project No. H.008226 without the payment of monetary compensation be, and is hereby, authorized and approved;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Police Jury President be, and is hereby, authorized and empowered to act on behalf of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in the execution of the Act of Donation and/or such other documents as are reasonable and necessary to give effect to the grant of a temporary construction servitude authorized by this Ordinance.

The ordinance was submitted to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:	(4)	Mr. Larry Bratton, District C; Mr. Michael Thompson, District D; Mr. Shane Smiley, District E; and Mr. Lonnie Hudson, District F.
NAYS:	(0)	
ABSTAIN:	(0)	
ABSENT:	(2)	Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Jack Clampit, District B

The above ordinance was adopted on the 6th day of July, 2020.

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Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Hudson offered the following ordinance for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 9340

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AN ACT OF SALE BY THE PARISH OF OUACHITA TO SELL CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES (PARCELS 18510, 70905, 64493, 58960, 51183, 64530, 46079, 15367, & 62389) BY PUBLIC AUCTION; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the immovable properties described below were adjudicated to the Parish of Ouachita, for nonpayment of taxes; and purchased at a public auction by high bidder:

1. **PARCEL# 18510:** LOT 1 BUCHANANS RESUB OF SO ½ OF LOT A-31, G B HAYNES 2ND CHENIERE ADDN, SEC 9 & 16 T 17 N, R3E, MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 520 BAWCOM STREET , WEST MONROE, LA, ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 6/13/2016

Purchaser: DAVID MANCILL Bid: \$5,000.00 Auction Date: June 16, 2020

2. **PARCEL# 70905 :** LOT IN LOT 2, SQUARE 23, TERMINAL HEIGHTS ADDITION, FRONTING 100.34 FEET ON WILSON STREET, DEPTH ON NORTH LINE 233.01 FEE & SOUTH LINE 241.27, NO MUNICIPAL ADDRESS, ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 6/01/1992

Purchaser: BABARA STEVENTION Bid: \$6,333.33 Auction Date: June 16, 2020

3. **PARCEL# 64493:** LOTS 23 & 24, SQUARE 39 UNIT 9 BTW ADDITION, MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 3811 WILEY STREET, MONROE, LA. ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 6/24/2015

Purchaser: DEBRA DADE Bid: \$100.00 Auction Date: June 23, 2020

4. **PARCEL# 58960:** LOTS 1 & 2 & EAST 17 FEET OF LOT 3, SQUARE 1, REGISTERS ADDITION, MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 108 SLACK STREET, WEST MONROE, LA. ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 6/09/2017

Purchaser: DON ANTLEY Bid: \$6,200.00 Auction Date: June 23, 2020

5. **PARCEL# 51183:** LOT 21 OF BLOCK 4 OF GOSSETT'S SUBDIVISION IN NW ¼ OF NW 1/4, SECTION 8, T17N, R4E, AS PER PLAT ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OT THE CLERK OF COURT, OUACHITA PARISH LOUISIANA, MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 716 HARRIS STREET, MONROE, LA. ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 6/12/2017

Purchaser: GEORGE JOHNSON Bid: \$1,405.10 Auction Date: June 23, 2020

6. **PARCEL# 64530:** A CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF GROUND SITUATED IN LOT THREE (3) OF SQUARE (7) OF LAYTON'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MONROE, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE MULBERRY STREET AND THE WEST LINE OF JACKSON STREET, A DISTANCE OF 64 FEET; THENCE RUNNING BACK INTO LOT 3 BETWEEN PARALLEL LINES, WHICH ARE PERPENDICULAR TO THE NORTH LINE OF MULBERRY STREET, A

DISTANCE OF 95 FEET, MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 203 MULBERRY STREET, MONROE, LA. ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 6/09/2017

Purchaser: CAREY MALONE Bid: \$15,000.00 Auction Date: June 23, 2020

7. **PARCEL# 46079:** LOT IN LOTS 16, 17, & 18, SQUARE 11, BREARDS DANVILLE ADDITION, BEING 155.73 FEET SOUT OF PINE STREET & FRONTING 50 FEET ON EAST SIDE OF 19TH STREET, DEPTH 150 FEET, MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 504 N 19TH STREET, MONROE, LA. ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 6/12/2017

Purchaser: JOSHUA CHAMBLESS Bid: \$1,478.88 Auction Date: June 23, 2020

8. **PARCEL# 15367:** LOT IN SQ 4 ZEIGNS RESUB RANSOM TRACT BEG 15 FT E & 115 FT SO OF NW COR LOT 4, THENCE SP 50 FT, DEPTH E 150 FT, MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 111 RANSOM STREET, MONROE, LA. ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 7/10/2015

Purchaser: JENNIFER RIDDLE Bid: \$100.00 Auction Date: June 30, 2020

9. **PARCEL# 62389:** LOT 11, RESUB UNIT 1, CHARMINGDALE ADDITION, MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 21 MERRYDALE DRIVE, MONROE, LA. ADJUDICATED TO THE PARISH ON 7/12/2011

Purchaser: CONSUELO M. BAKER Bid: \$100.00 Auction Date: LOT NEXT DOOR

WHEREAS, the redemption period provided by Art. 7, §25 of the Louisiana Constitution has elapsed, established by Parish Ordinance No: 9016 and 9037 and the owner of record has failed to redeem the adjudicated property; and

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 47: 2202 et seq. provides that the Parish may sell adjudicated property in accordance with law after the expiration of the period for redemption; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Ouachita has declared the property described below surplus and not needed for a public purpose and to dispose of said property in accordance with LA R.S. 47:2202, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with L.A. R.S. 47:2202 the Parish of Ouachita has set a minimum bid for public sale for each property and

WHEREAS, the Parish offered these properties to the highest bidder at the time of sale and

WHEREAS, the property described herein above was offered at public auction on listed dates.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, that any Act of Sale of the below described property shall contain the following conditions and requirements:

- 1) The properties shall be sold in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq., without any warranty, from either the Parish or Management Company, whatsoever, even as to the return of the purchase price.
- 2) The sale shall be on a form approved by the Parish Attorney and that the sales price is paid by certified funds at or near the time of the sale.
- 3) The sale shall include a reservation of all mineral rights to the Parish, but shall convey all surface rights.
- 4) The following shall be completed prior to closing of sale:
 - a. E&P Consulting, LLC shall certify in writing to the Parish Attorney that they have examined the mortgage records, conveyance records, probate and civil suit records of the Parish of Ouachita and that attached to this certification will be a written list of names and last known addresses of all owners, mortgagees, and any other person who may have a vested or contingent interest in the property, or who has filed a request for notice as provided in the former provisions LS-R.S. 33:4720.17(B), as indicated in those records.
 - b. E&P LLC has provided notice to those persons identified in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq. Proof of said notice will be filed in the records of Ouachita Parish immediately after the Act of Sale.
 - c. At the time of closing, the E&P LLC will certify in writing to Parish Attorney and Clerk of Court that the number of days mandated by LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq. has elapsed since the above required notice was made or attempted and that the property has not been redeemed by the payment of the taxes owed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Ouachita Parish Policy Jury, that the Police Jury President is hereby authorized to execute a Cash Sale of the above described adjudicated properties to the highest acceptable bidder as named. The Cash Sale shall contain all of the above conditions and requirements and shall be executed within the timelines specified.

The above ordinance was introduced on the 15th day of June, 2020.

The ordinance was submitted to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: (4) Mr. Larry Bratton, District C; Mr. Michael Thompson, District D; Mr. Shane Smiley, District E; and Mr. Lonnie Hudson, District F.

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Jack Clampit, District B

The above ordinance was adopted on the 6th day of July, 2020.

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Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the annual physician contracts and stated that there will be an increase for the correctional center. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Thompson to approve the physician contracts with LSU Health Services for Green Oaks and the Ouachita Correctional Center. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Hudson, District F.

MR. LONNIE HUDSON, DISTRICT F:

Mr. Bratton, seconded by Mr. Thompson offered the following ordinance for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 9341

AN ORDINANCE REVOKING THE SOUTHERNMOST PORTION OF GALISPI ROAD; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Galispi Road is a parish road running south from Miller Road for a distance of approximately 1,300 feet then turning easterly for a distance of approximately 300' into a dead-end "loop";

WHEREAS, the owner of the property upon which the easterly-running portion and dead-end loop of Galsipi Road are located has requested that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury revoke the public right-of-way of said portion of Galispi Road in order that he can place a gate at his property line to control trespassing and illegal dumping that is occurring; and,

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury finds that the requested revocation will not adversely affect other properties and is in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury at a Regular Meeting held on July 6, 2020, that the portion of the public right-of-way of Galispi Road located on the S/2 of the SE/4 of Sec. 10, T16N, R4E be, and is hereby, revoked.

The above ordinance was introduced on the 15th day of June, 2020.

The ordinance was submitted to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: (4) Mr. Larry Bratton, District C; Mr. Michael Thompson, District D; Mr. Shane Smiley, District E; and Mr. Lonnie Hudson, District F.
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Jack Clampit, District B

The above ordinance was adopted on the 6th day of July, 2020.

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Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Bratton offered the following ordinance for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 9342

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-1 OF THE COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY, TO ESTABLISH A SPEED LIMIT OF FORTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR (45 M.P.H.) FOR FRONTAGE ROAD; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury finds that the establishment of a speed limit of Forty-Five miles per hour (45 mph) for Frontage Road in Ouachita Parish Police Jury District “F” is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Section 14-1 of the Compiled Ordinances of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, be, and is hereby, supplemented and amended to establish and provide for a specific speed limit of Forty-Five miles per hour (45 mph) for Frontage Road.

The ordinance was submitted to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: (4) Mr. Larry Bratton, District C; Mr. Michael Thompson, District D; Mr. Shane Smiley, District E; and Mr. Lonnie Hudson, District F.
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Jack Clampit, District B

The above ordinance was adopted on the 6th day of July, 2020.

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Mr. Hudson also commended the BRIDGE group.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The president recognized Mr. Cammack, Treasurer. Mr. Cammack requested approval to pay Ouachita Electric Service, Inc. for work done at the River Styx Pump Station. Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson to pay the invoices from the drainage fund. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack presented the debris pre-need proposals and recommended accepting the proposal from DRC Emergency Services. Motion offered by Mr. Bratton, seconded by Mr. Thompson to accept the proposal from DRC Emergency Services. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Chief Hemphill, Fire Department. Chief Hemphill stated that he did not have any items.

The president recognized Mr. Mitchell, Assistant District Attorney. Mr. Mitchell recommended approval of the contract with Hunt, Guillot & Associates for grant administrative services related to COVID-19. Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson to approve the contract and authorize the president to sign. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Mitchell recommended approval of the contract with Volkert, Inc. for debris monitoring. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Thompson to approve to the contract and authorize the president to sign. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Mitchell read the following announcement: "In accordance with La. R.S. 42:19.1, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury hereby gives public notice that at its Regular Meeting to be held on August 17, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., in Courtroom No. 3 of the Ouachita Parish Courthouse, 301 South Grand Street, Monroe, LA, it intends to take action to adopt millage rates and to adopt its annual Revenue Ordinance levying ad valorem taxes and road lighting district service fees for 2020."

Mr. Mitchell asked the Jury for instructions as to whether notices should be published as required if the Police Jury is to consider a "roll forward" of any of the millages it levies. Motion offered by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Thompson to run the required notice for all of the millages effected by re-assessment. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Mitchell spoke reading the Ouachita Parish Fire Department Ward 9 tower project and explained that the Fire Department recommended engaging with Case, Inc. for design services. Motion offered by Mr. Bratton, seconded by Mr. Thompson to engage with Case, Inc. as recommended. Motion passed without opposition.

BEER AND WHISKEY APPLICATIONS:

Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the following beer and whiskey applications and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Bratton to approve the following applications as recommended. Motion passed without opposition.

1) ARYA, ASHOK

**NEW EXCEL LLC DBA NEW EXCEL, 5073
JONESBORO RD, WEST MONROE, LA 71292,**

**RETAIL BEER "CLASS B", RETAIL LIQUOR
"CLASS D", 2020 NEW OWNER**

2) ARYA, KUNAL

**EXCEL EXPRESS LLC DBA EXCEL EXPRESS,
1013 HIGHWAY 557, WEST MONROE, LA 71292,
RETAIL BEER "CLASS B", 2020 NEW OWNER**

OTHER BUSINESS:

The president recognized Elijah Brass, 1317 North 6th Street, West Monroe. Mr. Brass requested a meeting with Mr. Smiley and other jurors to address matters concerning Mr. Clampit. Mr. Brass again asked that Mr. Clampit resign from the Jury.

There being no other business to come before the Jury, a motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hudson. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Shane Smiley, President

Karen Cupit, Recording Secretary