

Tallulah, Louisiana
December 11, 2023

The Madison Parish Police Jury met in regular session and convened at the Courthouse Building, Tallulah, Louisiana on Monday, December 11, 2023, 4:00 p.m.

President Sanders called the meeting to order gave the invocation. The roll call followed the announcement of a quorum. The following members were present at roll call:

District 1 Jerry Hicks
District 2 Stanley Ogden
District 3 Dave Wilson
District 4 Absent
District 5 Jane Sanders

Visitors: F. Hicks, B. Bell

A Public Comments Period held at the beginning of the meeting to allow for comments on agenda items received no comments.

President Sanders requested the approval of the Consent Agenda (the Outstanding Invoice Report). A motion was made by Mr. Ogden, seconded by Mr. Hicks to approve the consent agenda. No further discussion. Motion carried.

The Secretary Treasurer read the following announcement:

Announcement of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Monday January 8, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room, 100 North Cedar Street, Tallulah, Louisiana, the Police Jury of the parish of Madison, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the parish of Madison to authorize the levy of an ad valorem tax therein.

The Secretary explained that the election was for the Fire District and if passed it would increase their millage from 2 mills to 4 mills.

Mr. Ogden offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve the request to pay outstanding invoices with available funds or as funds become available. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Each juror reported on concerns within their district.

The Jury would like to make cleaning of the bayou a joint venture. Therefore, financial assistance should be requested from the City. The parish would like fifty percent of the cost (\$14,500.00) to be contributed by the City. Juror Jerry Hicks will represent the jury at their meeting on Thursday, December, 14th to present the request. Following discussion of the cleaning of the bayou, Mr. Hicks offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to clean the bayou. Upon a roll call, the votes were as follows:

District 1	Yea
District 2	Absent
District 3	Yea
District 4	Yea
District 5	Yea

No further discussion. Motion carried.

A discussion on the purchase of the trucks for Public Works continued at this evening's meeting. It was agreed that the dealer would have the trucks ready for purchase in March at a cost of \$166,815.00. Mr. Hicks offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to authorize the Superintendent to purchase the vehicles. Upon a roll call, the votes were as follows:

District 1	Yea
District 2	Absent
District 3	Yea
District 4	Yea
District 5	Yea

No further discussion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hicks offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve Madison Parish Hospital Service District Board's General Fund Budget for 2024. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hicks offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ogden, to approve an Alcohol Beverage Permit for The Package Store's 2024 renewal. No discussion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hicks offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ogden, to approve an Alcohol Beverage Permit for Mr. Mac's Old Skool. 2024 renewal. No discussion. Motion carried.

After consideration of Gallagher's proposal for workers' compensation coverage for 2024, the Secretary recommended Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company for coverage. Mr. Hicks offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Ogden to accept the Secretary's recommendation to accept the coverage offered by Bridgefield. No discussion. Motion carried.

Following discussion of the renewal of group health insurance, it was decided to retain coverage with BCBS for 2024. Mr. Hicks offered the motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Based on the bids received for Public Works 2024 Material Bids Volkert recommended to award to the following material suppliers:

Fuels, oil, Grease and Lubes	Lott Oil Company
Asphaltic Material	Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions, Inc.
Asphaltic Concrete	Dreher Contracting, LLC
Corrugated Metal pipe (CMP)	Wilson Culverts, Inc.
Limestone (Crushed)	Terral River Service, Inc.

Plastic Culvert Pipe

Tristate Culverts, LLC

Mr. Hicks offered the motion, seconded by Mr. Ogden, to award the bids as recommended by the parish engineer. No further discussion. Motion carried.

There was no public comments nor discussion of correspondence.

Mr. Hicks made a motion and seconded by Mr. Ogden. to adjourn.

/s/ Margaret Dew
Secretary/Treasurer

/s/ Jane Sanders
President