

Tallulah, Louisiana
July 14, 2025

The Madison Parish Police Jury met in regular session and convened at the Courthouse Building, Tallulah, Louisiana on Monday, July 14, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

President Sanders called the meeting to order and 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 Absent
District 3 Dave Wilson
District 4 Johnny Hughes
District 5 Jane Sanders

Visitors: M. Williams, C. Fisher-Lewis, T. Holdiness, J. Stuart, F. Hicks, N. Martin, M. Collins, D. Baker, H. Haywood, Blessings 4 You Ministry

President Sanders requested a motion to amend the agenda to discuss Madison Parish Hospital Service District. Mr. Hughes offered the motion that was seconded by Mr. Wilson. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

District 1 yea
District 2 absent
District 3 yea
District 4 yea
District 5 yea

Motion carried.

No comments were made during the Public Comments Period held at the beginning of the meeting that allows for comments on agenda items.

President Sanders requested the approval of the Consent Agenda (June 23rd minutes, June Building Report, Financials, Garbage and Sewer Report and the Outstanding Invoice Report.). A motion was made by Mr. Hicks, seconded by Mr. Wilsons, to approve the Consent Agenda. No discussion. Motion carried.

The President discussed the roof on the old health unit and requested a motion to replace the roof. Mr. Hicks offered the motion, that was seconded by Mr. Wilson. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

District 1 yea
District 2 absent
District 3 yea
District 4 yea
District 5 yea

Motion carried.

Also mentioned by the President that she was contacted by Mr. Emerson, a grant writer, that was interested in assisting Madison, East Carroll and Tensas in securing various funding.

Mr. N. Martin of Terral Riverservice, came before the jurors to get an update on the status of the road leading into the port. He stated that harvesting would be beginning in a couple of weeks and thought there might be some major road problems. Following a discussion on the various concerns anticipated, Mr. Martin offered their assistance as needed.

The Secretary/Treasurer requested permission to pay all invoices based on available funds. A motion was offered by Mr. Hicks and seconded by Mr. Wilson, to pay the outstanding invoices with available funds or as funds become available. No discussion. Motion carried.

Each juror reported on concerns within their district, followed by a report from the Superintendent.

The Secretary informed the jurors that the Parish still has an unresolved outstanding balance for water with the City of Tallulah for the jail. It was agreed that Juror Hicks would confer with the City regarding the bill.

Mr. Carlos Ford submitted his resignation as a commissioner of the Madison Parish Hospital Service District. Mr. Wilson offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Hicks to accept Mr. Ford's resignation. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

District 1	yea
District 2	absent
District 3	yea
District 4	yea
District 5	yea

Motion carried.

The read a letter from Ms. Hazel Suluki, requesting to complete the term of Mr. Ford on the Hospital Service District Board. Mr. Wilson offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Hicks to accept Ms. Suluki's request, and allow her to complete Mr. Ford's term on the Board. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

District 1	yea
District 2	absent
District 3	yea
District 4	yea
District 5	yea

Motion carried.

Ms. C. Lewis requested permission from the Jury to submit a proposal for a \$250,000.00 grant to DRA for repairs to West Bear Lake Road. Following a brief discussion. Mr. Hughes offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson to grant Ms. Lewis permission to pursue the grant. No further discussion, motion carried.

Blessing 4 You Ministry once again inquired if the old Health Unit was available for purchase. Their ministry would like to convert the building for use as a transitional living facility for women. The President informed them that after further consideration the Parish will retain the building.

The 2024 Quietus was submitted to the Jury for approval. Mr. Hughes offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson. No discussion. Motion carried.

As a result of receiving bids for the replacement of the roof at the courthouse, Volkert recommended Tyler Towers Roofing and Construction, LLC, the lowest bidder, with a base bid of \$328,000.00 be awarded the job. (A summary of the Bids and the Bid Tabulation Sheet was enclosed.) Mr. Wilson offered the motion to accept the bid from Tyler Towers, and Mr. Hicks seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.

The Vicksburg-Tallulah Regional Airport submitted their 2025 Amended Budget and 2026 Proposed Budget for approval by the Police Jury. Mr. Hicks offered the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Wilson. No discussion. Motion carried.

Mr. T. Winstead submitted a proposal to assist with the maintenance of the courthouse, that the Jury accepted for further review.

There was no discussion of correspondence or public comments.

Mr. Hicks offered a motion to adjourn.

/s/ Margaret Dew
Secretary/Treasurer

/s/ Jane Sanders
President