

Tallulah, Louisiana
May 11, 2026

The Madison Parish Police Jury met in regular session and convened at the Courthouse Building, Tallulah, Louisiana on Monday, May 11, 2026, 4:00 p.m.

President Sanders called the meeting to order and Vice-President Hughes 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 Johnny Hughes
District 5 Jane Sanders

Visitors: T. Bailey, T. Holdiness, Y. Lewis, H. Allen, M. J. Williams, T. Wells

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

The Consent Agenda (April 27th minutes, Building Report, Garbage/Sewage Report and the Outstanding Invoice Report) was approved by a motion made by Mr. Hicks and seconded by Mr. Ogden. No discussion. Motion carried.

The Secretary/Treasurer asked for permission to pay all invoices based on available funds. A motion was offered by Mr. Ogden, seconded by Mr. Hughes 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.

The jurors discussed the spraying projects. Permission was being requested to have Weed Pro to spray approximately 3 miles of the bayou (both sides) from the dam to the end of the bayou at the barbed wire fence for \$4,000. They would also treat for weed control a minimum of 100 miles of roadside right of way at \$75 per mile per application. The total for 100 miles would be \$7,500.00. Mr. Wilson offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Hicks to approve Weed Pro's quote for the spraying projects. No discussion. Motion carried.

The superintendent also requested permission to advertise for a tractor driver and a mechanic assistant. Following a discussion, Mr. Hicks offered the motion to proceed with the advertisement and Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.

Jurors also discussed the asphalt zipper. The secretary will also check on funding for the equipment.

Once again, the condition of Lee Street became a topic of discussion. It was agreed to accept Dreher's quote for \$48,000 to repair Lee St. Mr. Wilson offered the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Hicks. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Upon review and discussion of the Garbage Report it was motioned by Mr. Hughes and seconded by Mr. Wilson to send certified letters to all customers with balances greater than \$300. Motion carried.

Mr. Hughes offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve and adopt the 2026 millage rates. The resolution offered was as follows:

RESOLUTION 2026 - 7

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millages are hereby levied on the 2026 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Madison Parish Police Jury:

MILLAGE

General Fund – Inside	1.63 mills
General Fund – Outside	3.27 mills
Library	3.56 mills
Library - 2002	1.94 mills
Health Unit	1.18 mills
Health Unit - 2002	1.50 mills
Courthouse & Jail	2.71 mills
Courthouse & Jail - 2007	7.00 mills
Garbage Collection	9.03 mills
Roads, Bridges, Drainage	17.10 mills
Madison Voluntary Council on Aging	1.00 mills
Parish of Madison Public Transportation	1.00 mill
Fire	4.00 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Madison, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2026, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full; the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Hicks, Ogden, Wilson, Hughes and Sanders
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
VACANT: None

Following an inspection of the health unit by the regional staff they identified several considerations that would greatly support the functionality, safety, and overall environment of the health unit:

1. Repair handicap entry door, which is currently sticking
2. Ductwork modifications to prevent condensation.
3. Possible mold abatement for ceiling areas and ductwork.
4. Designate a staff member to process Police Jury invoices and route payroll for Police Jury employees assigned to the health unit.
5. Remodel the laboratory to allow placement of all freezers and refrigerators in one consolidated area.
6. Install a Smart TV in the waiting room.
7. Update the public restrooms for a clean and modern finish, including countertops.
8. Strip and wax all floors.
9. Replace lighting throughout the building.
10. Covered Entry way from the parking lot.
11. Restripe the parking lot.
12. Remove old rolling charts.
13. Ensure regular service for HVAC systems.
14. Acquire breast models for educational use.
15. Install a mosquito spray system.

The secretary will confer with the engineers to address the items outlined.

A letter was received requesting sponsorship for recreation activities in the Fairground area; however, it was decided to refer the request to the Recreation Board.

There was no discussion of correspondence.

During public comment Ms. T. Bailey addressed the jurors but was referred to the Hospital Service District.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned by a motion from Mr. Ogden.

/s/ Margaret Dew
Secretary/Treasurer

/s/ Jane Sanders
President