

THE ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY conducted a public hearing on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:00 PM before the Special Police Jury meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Courthouse Building, Crowley, Louisiana, to hear comments on the following items:

Discuss with possible action amending the Code of Ordinances to repeal provisions regarding the defunct Landfill Commission; specifically to repeal Ordinance No. 759 and Ordinance No. 760; an ordinance to amend and repeal Article VII of Chapter Eight of the Code Of Ordinances of the Acadia Parish Police Jury to remove provisions regarding the Landfill Commission; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances contrary thereto or in conflict therewith; and to provide for all matters relative thereto.

A motion was made by Pat Daigle and seconded by Kirk Guidry and carried unanimously to move this item to the Police Jury Meeting.

Discuss with possible action adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in Sales Tax District No. 2 of the Parish of Acadia, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, March 29, 2025, to authorize the renewal of sales and use tax therein.

A motion was made by Troy Lantz and seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to move this item to the Police Jury Meeting.

Discuss with possible action a proposed ordinance to adopt a compensation schedule for Police Jurors which will be in effect from January 1, 2025, until December 31, 2028, with the monthly salary being \$1600.00 plus an additional \$200.00 for the President.

A public comment was made by Kim Stringfellow. Mrs. Stringfellow does not agree with the Acadia Parish Police Jury voting for themselves a raise. Mrs. Stringfellow stated that she heard there is a short fall within the monies, and she was not sure how Acadia Parish can afford the raise. She stated another concern is that the Acadia Parish Police Jury only conducts one meeting a month when in the past, there were two and how does the Jury discuss agenda items. Mrs. Stringfellow suggests that the raise go into effect for the next administration in office.

A motion was made by Paul Ed Guidry and seconded by Walter Andrus and carried unanimously to move this item to the Police Jury Meeting.

With no further public comments made, the Public Hearing was adjourned.

**THE ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY** met on the above date at 6:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Crowley, Louisiana, in Special Session with President Beau Petitjean presiding. At the request of the President, a prayer was offered by Glen Howie and the Pledge to the Flag was recited in unison. The roll was called, and final attendance was recorded as follows:

WALTER ANDRUS	KIRK GUIDRY
BEAU PETITJEAN	TROY LANTZ
PAT DAIGLE	JEFFERY MORGAN
GORDON RAY MORGAN	PAUL ED GUIDRY

ABSENT:

Quorum present.

A motion was offered by Pat Daigle, seconded by Paul Ed Guidry and carried unanimously to dispense the reading and approve the minutes of October 8, 2024, Regular Meeting as written.

**Amendments:**

A motion was offered by Paul Ed Guidry, seconded by Troy Lantz and carried unanimously to add an item to the agenda for a Proclamation commending Frances Regan Miller for service to students and children in Acadia Parish as a teacher and school board member.

A motion was offered by Kirk Guidry, seconded by Walter Andrus and carried unanimously to amend the Code of Ordinances to repeal provisions regarding the defunct Landfill Commission; specifically to repeal Ordinance No. 759 and Ordinance No. 760; an ordinance to amend and repeal Article VII of Chapter Eight of the Code Of Ordinances of the Acadia Parish Police Jury to remove provisions regarding the Landfill Commission; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances contrary thereto or in conflict therewith; and to provide for all matters relative thereto. A Roll Call vote was offered with all voting yay.

A motion was offered by Pat Daigle, seconded by Troy Lantz and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in Sales Tax District No. 2 of the Parish of Acadia, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, March 29, 2025, to authorize the renewal of sales and use tax therein. A Roll Call vote was offered with all voting yay.

A motion was offered by Pat Daigle, seconded by Walter Andrus and carried unanimously to adopt a compensation schedule for Police Jurors which will be in effect from January 1, 2025, until December 31, 2028, with the monthly salary being \$1600.00 plus an additional \$200.00 for the President. A Roll Call vote was offered. Yay: Walter Andrus, Jeffery Morgan, Kirk Guidry, Beau Petitjean, Paul Ed Guidry, Pat Daigle. Nay: Gordon Ray Morgan and Troy Lantz

A presentation of Proclamation commending the Iota Fire Protection District, Fire District No. 5, and Lyons Point Fire Protection District No. 8 for exemplary efforts to increase training quality for volunteer personnel in an effort to promote safety and potentially lower homeowner insurance rates.

Fire District No. 5 and Lyons Point Fire Protection District No. 8 was tabled until the December Police Jury Meeting.

David Douget, Iota Fire Chief, held a discussion to thank the Acadia Parish Police Jury for the recognition and explained that the Iota Fire District moved from a rating of 3 to 2 which will help homeowners with their insurance rates.

A presentation of Proclamation commending all Veterans on Veterans Day and honor the service, sacrifice, and dedication of all veterans who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

Mr. Johnny Petitjean, American Legion Arceneaux Post 77, received the Proclamation.

A motion was offered by Troy Lantz, seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution setting "best practices" for selecting vendors for projects, supplies, and equipment valued at \$1,000-\$30,000.

An amendment for the "best practices" resolution, will include exemptions for all grants.

A motion was offered by Paul Ed Guidry, seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to exempt all grants from the "best practices" resolution.

Brad Lavergne, Acadia Parish Bridge Inspector, held a discussion regarding an annual certification that is required for the State of Louisiana Off System Bridge Replacement Program.

A motion was offered by Gordon Ray Morgan, seconded by Paul Ed Guidry and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution for the annual Certification of Compliance with the State of Louisiana Off System Bridge Replacement Program.

A discussion was held by Acadia Parish Engineer, Brett Bayard, regarding the fencing project for the Legros Memorial Airport. Mr. Bayard stated there was a final inspection on November 1, 2024, and has been completed. Mr. Bayard also asked the Acadia Parish Police Jury to accept that final change order in the amount of 4065.00 for adding a drainpipe that was needed for the project.

A motion was offered by Troy Lantz, seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to the acceptance and termination of the Airfield Perimeter Fence - Phase I Project at the LeGros Memorial Airport.

A discussion was held by Acadia Parish Engineer, Brett Bayard, regarding the fencing project (Phase II) for the Legros Memorial Airport. This project will be adding a 10ft wildlife fence for animal control for the airside west and airside east to keep deer and coyotes off the runway. Mr. Bayard stated this project is also 100% funded by state funds.

A motion was offered by Jeffery Morgan, seconded by Kirk Guidry and carried unanimously to proceed with the preparation of plans and specifications and to advertise for bids for the Airfield Perimeter Fence - Phase II (Airside West) and (Airside East) Project at the LeGros Memorial Airport.

A discussion was held by Acadia Parish Engineer, Brett Bayard, regarding Bexley Rose Subdivision. Mr. Bayard explained that the Planning Commission held their meeting before the Police Jury Meeting to review and recommend the approval of Bexley Rose Subdivision with a few action items included. The original plan had 5ft shoulders but what is in place are 3 ft shoulders. This difference still meets the ordinance. The ditch slopes were 2 to 1 slope in some places which also still meets the ordinance. Mr. Bayard stated that the Acadia Parish Police Jury will take over the road and ditches but will not take over the retention pond that the ditches drain into. The subdivision HOA will maintain the retention pond. There will also be a surety bond in place with a 1-year warranty. Mr. Bayard explained that there is currently erosion but feels as if that will stop naturally when the grass starts to grow. The recommendation from the Acadia Parish Planning Commission is to have the Acadia Parish Road Department Manager, Corey Vincent, inspect every 3-6 months for erosion and the contractor will make repairs within a month of being notified. The Acadia Parish Police Jury agreed to that recommendation.

A motion was offered by Paul Ed Guidry, seconded by Gordon Ray Morgan and carried unanimously to approve the Bexley Rose Subdivision with the conditions of the Acadia Parish Road Department Manager, Corey Vincent, inspect every 3-6 months for erosion and the contractor will make repairs within a month of being notified.

Acadia Parish Police Jury CPA, Shaun Grantham, held a discussion on the monthly financials and presented the 2023 Audit Findings.

A motion was offered by Jeffery Morgan seconded by Gordon Morgan and carried unanimously the Permit office monthly report.

**THEREFOR BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE MEETING, THE MOTION WAS OFFERED BY PAT DAIGLE, SECONDED BY KIRK GUIDRY THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024, AT THE HOUR OF 6:00 P.M.**

**/S/ Huey Bryan Borill**  
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**SECRETARY-TREASURER**

**/S/ Beau Petitjean**  
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**PRESIDENT**