

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
PAUL ED GUIDRY	GORDON RAY MORGAN

ABSENT:

Quorum present.

A motion was offered by Pat Daigle, seconded by Walter Andrus and carried unanimously to dispense the reading and approval of the minutes of the January 14, 2025, Regular Meeting as written.

Amendments:

A Presentation of Proclamation to acknowledge the month of February as National Black History Month was presented.

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** African Americans have played central roles in some of the most triumphant and courageous moments in our Nation’s history; and
- WHEREAS,** during National Black History Month, we honor the rich heritage of African Americans and pay tribute to their many contributions to our Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the theme of Black History Month for 2025 is “African Americans and Labor”. This year’s Black History Month theme focuses on highlighting the significant contributions of African Americans to the workforce throughout history.
- WHEREAS,** in 1915, Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson recognized the need for our country to gain more complete and informed understanding of our past; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Carter G. Woodson founded the organization known today as the Association for the Study of African American Life and History. Through the pioneering efforts of Dr. Woodson and the hard work of the Association, this observance officially became Black History Month in 1976; and
- WHEREAS,** as we rejoice in the victories won by men and women who believed in the idea of a just and fair America, we remember that, throughout history, our success has been driven by bold individuals who were willing to speak out and change the status quo; and
- WHEREAS,** let us also not forget those who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we could make our voices heard by exercising our right to vote. Even in the face of legal challenges, every eligible voter should not take for granted what is our right to shape our democracy; and
- WHEREAS,** our responsibility as citizens is to address the inequalities and injustices that linger, and we must secure our birthright freedoms for all people; and

Now, Therefore, We, Members of the Acadia Parish Police Jury, do hereby declare February as *Black History Month*

And call upon the citizens of Acadia Parish to reflect on the sacrifices and contributions made by generations of African Americans and participate fittingly in its observance.

A motion was offered by Troy Lantz, seconded by Jeffery Morgan and carried unanimously to appoint 2025 Police Jury Committee members.

ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY
2025 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

AIRPORT

Chairman: Kirk Guidry
Paul Ed Guidry
Pat Daigle
Corey Vincent – Airport Manager

ANIMAL CONTROL

Chairman: Walter Andrus
Pat Daigle
Gordon Ray Morgan

FINANCE

Chairman: Paul Ed Guidry
Kirk Guidry
Jeffery Morgan
Corey Vincent – Secretary Treasurer
Shaun - CPA

INSURANCE

Chairman: Pat Daigle
Walter Andrus
Gordon Ray Morgan
Kevin Guidry

MOSQUITO CONTROL

Chairman: Kirk Guidry
Pat Daigle
Troy Lantz

ROAD & BRIDGE

Chairman: Troy Lantz
Gordon Ray Morgan
Jeffery Morgan

AMBULANCE

Chairman: Paul Ed Guidry
Walter Andrus
Pat Daigle
John Dubose – AASI
Tyler Martin – Med Express

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Chairman: Jeffery Morgan
Gordon Ray Morgan
Paul Ed Guidry

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Chairman: Jeffery Morgan
Kirk Guidry
Paul Ed Guidry

LEGISLATIVE

Chairman: Jeffery Morgan
Paul Ed Guidry
Walter Andrus

PERSONNEL

Chairman: Kirk Guidry
Jeffery Morgan
Paul Ed Guidry
Corey Vincent – Secretary Treasurer

SOLID WASTE

Chairman: Jeffery Morgan
Paul Ed Guidry
Pat Daigle

Chairman of each committee is responsible for calling meeting to order. President is to serve on committees as Ex-officio member (non-voting). All members are encouraged to attend all committee meetings.

A motion was offered by Paul Ed Guidry, seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to reappoint Carrie Guidry, MD to the Acadia St. Landry Hospital Service District. (Term will expire 02/2027)

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: Paul Ed Guidry and Pat Daigle

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in special session duly convened this 18th day of February 2025, does hereby reappoint Carrie Guidry, MD to the Acadia St. Landry Hospital Service District. The term will expire 02/2027.

ADOPTED: February 18, 2025

ATTEST:

/s/Corey Vincent
COREY VINCENT
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/ Beau Petitjean
BEAU PETITJEAN
President

A motion was offered by Jeffery Morgan, seconded by Kirk Guidry and carried unanimously to appoint Tracy Young to the Acadia Parish Planning Commission to fill the unexpired term of Lawrence Adams. (Term will expire 1/2029)

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: Jeffery Morgan and Kirk Guidry

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in special session duly convened this 18th day of February 2025, does hereby appoint Tracy Young to fill the unexpired term of Lawrence Adams to the Acadia Parish Planning Commission. The term will expire 02/2029.

ADOPTED: February 18, 2025

ATTEST:

/s/Corey Vincent
COREY VINCENT
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/ Beau Petitjean
BEAU PETITJEAN
President

A motion was offered by Paul Ed Guidry, seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to call for a Public Hearing on April 8, 2025, to discuss the submission of an application for funding under the State of Louisiana FY 2026-2027 Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program.

A roll call was offered with all yays.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Acadia Parish Police Jury will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on April 8, 2025, at the Courthouse Meeting Room, 3rd Floor, 500 NE Court Circle, Cowley, LA 70526. The purpose of the meeting is to obtain comments from the Parish residents and to discuss the submission of an application for funding under the State of Louisiana FY 2026-2027 Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program. The following items will be discussed at the hearing:

- A. The amount of funds available for proposed community development and housing activities;
- B. The range of activities available that may be undertaken, including the estimated amount of funds proposed to be used for activities that will benefit persons of low and moderate income,
- C. The plans of the Parish or minimizing displaced persons as a result of activities assisted with such funds and the benefits to be provided by the Parish to persons actually displaced as a result of such activities; and
- D. The Parish’s past performance on LCDBG projects funded by the State of Louisiana

All residents, particularly low to moderate income persons and residents of slum and blighted areas of the Parish are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and non-English speaking individuals provided a three day notice is received by the Acadia Parish Police Jury.

Those citizens unable to attend this hearing may submit their views and proposals until, 4:00 PM, April 23, 2025 in writing to:

Shaun Grantham
Acadia Parish Police Jury
P.O. Drawer A
Crowley, LA 70527
337-788-8800

A motion was offered by Troy Lantz, seconded by Walter Andrus and carried unanimously to call calling for a Public Hearing on April 8, 2025, to discuss the closeout of the 2022 Street Improvement Grant funded through the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program.

A roll call was offered with all yays.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Acadia Parish Police Jury will hold a public hearing to solicit the public’s opinion of the effectiveness of the FY 2022 LCDBG program for Street Improvements, Contract No. 2000727465. The hearing will be held at the Acadia Parish Courthouse, 500 NE Court Circle, Third Floor, Crowley, LA 70527, at 6:00 P.M. on April 8, 2025. Comments and opinions on the LCDBG Street Improvements project will be accepted.

Accommodations will be made for handicapped and non-English speaking persons provided a

three (3) day notice is received by the Acadia Parish Police Jury.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend, particularly those low to moderate income residents.

Anyone unable to attend this hearing may submit written comments to Ms. Shaun Grantham, P.O. Box A, Crowley, LA 70527 through April 23, 2025.

A motion was offered by Jeffery Morgan, seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to approve a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Building Code Inspection Services.

A discussion was held regarding the approval of The Pines Subdivision. Jacob Jarell with Morgan Goudeau & Associates explained that this subdivision was presented to the Acadia Parish Planning Commission and approved contingent on the physical location of driveways being shown on the plat to ensure easement is big enough and a note stating the drainage board is responsible for the maintenance of the canal on rear property line. Mr. Jarell explained that this subdivision is for single-family homes and the developer understands that this subdivision cannot be for mobile home rentals.

Building Code Inspections Services assured the Acadia Parish Police Jury that they would monitor what type of homes are being placed on the lots during the permitting process.

A motion was offered by Troy Lantz, seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to approve The Pines subdivision.

A roll call was offered with the following votes:
Walter Andrus – ABSTAIN Paul Ed Guidry – YAY
Jeffery Morgan – YAY Pat Daigle – YAY
Kirk Guidry – YAY Troy Lantz - YAY
Gordon Morgan – YAY

A motion was offered by Paul Ed Guidry, seconded by Pat Daigle and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution for the 2024 Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire as required by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: Paul Ed Guidry and Pat Daigle

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in special session duly convened this 18th day of February 2025, does hereby adopt a Resolution for the 2024 Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for auditing purposes required by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

ADOPTED: February 18, 2025

ATTEST:

/s/ Corey Vincent
COREY VINCENT
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ Beau Petitjean
BEAU PETITJEAN
PRESIDENT

A motion was offered by Kirk Guidry, seconded by Paul Ed Guidry and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution for Corey Vincent, Interim Secretary Treasurer, to act on behalf of Acadia Parish, in all matters pertaining to Ye Olde Country Road and Muskrat Road - FP&C Project No. 50-J01-23-02, including certifying requests for State disbursements.

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: Kirk Guidry and Paul Ed Guidry

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in special session duly convened this 18th day of February 2025, does hereby approve Corey Vincent, Interim Secretary Treasurer, to act on behalf of Acadia Parish, in all matters pertaining to Ye Olde Country Road and Muskrat Road - FP&C Project No. 50-J01-23-02, including certifying requests for State disbursements.

ADOPTED: February 18, 2025

ATTEST:

A motion was offered by Walter Andrus, seconded by Paul Ed Guidry and carried unanimously to appoint Crowley Post Signal as the Official Journal for the Acadia Parish Police Jury.

A motion was offered by Pat Daigle, seconded by Jeffery Morgan and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution committing local funds for construction costs which exceed the allocated state funding for the Old Spanish Trail Road Project.

The following resolution was offered by Pat Daigle seconded by Jeffery Morgan and duly resolved and adopted.

RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY COMMITTING LOCAL FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION COSTS WHICH EXCEED THE ALLOCATED STATE FUNDING FOR THE OLD SPANISH TRAIL ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS, PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
(Facility Planning and Control Project No. 50-J01-21-02)**

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Police Jury has received funds from the State of Louisiana via the Capital Outlay Act for improvements to Old Spanish Trail Roadway Improvements, Planning and Construction Project; and

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Police Jury must commit to expend local funds for construction costs, including contract change orders, which exceed the State funding allocated for the construction cost of the project;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury that the required commitment of local funds for construction costs which exceed the allocated state funding is hereby authorized for the Old Spanish Trail Roadway Improvements, Planning and Construction project.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted.

Brett Bayard with Mader Engineering held a discussion regarding awarding the Old Spanish Trail Road Project to Elliott Construction, LLC in the amount of \$1,136,471.00 (base bid), contingent upon the approval of Facility Planning and Control and contingent upon review of the apparent low bid by Acadia Parish Police Jury's legal counsel. Mr. Bayard explained that this project has been applied for every year since the year 2012. Mr. Bayard explained that this is a gravel road that is primarily used by Supreme Rice. The Acadia Parish Police Jury was awarded around \$750,000 dollars for this project but the bid for the project came in at \$1,136,471.00. Mr. Bayard explained that reducing subsurface drainage and various other items could result in a reduction of the contract by \$341,949.75.

A motion was offered by Troy Lantz, seconded by Kirk Guidry and carried unanimously to table awarding the Old Spanish Trail Road Project to Elliott Construction, LLC in the amount of \$1,136,471.00 (base bid), contingent upon the approval of Facility Planning and Control and contingent upon review of the apparent low bid by Acadia Parish Police Jury's legal counsel until the March 2025 Police Jury Meeting.

A motion was offered by Paul Ed Guidry, seconded by Kirk Guidry and carried unanimously to table approving Change Order No. 1 to reduce the contract by \$341,949.75 by reducing subsurface drainage and various other items, contingent upon the approval of Facility Planning and Control until the March 2025 Police Jury Meeting.

Presentation of monthly financials by Shaun Grantham, Acadia Parish Police Jury CPA.

A motion was offered by Paul Ed Guidry, seconded by Jeffery Morgan and carried unanimously

for the permit Office monthly report.

THEREFOR BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE MEETING, THE MOTION WAS OFFERED BY WALTER ANDRUS, SECONDED BY PAUL ED GUIDRY THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025, AT THE HOUR OF 6:00 P.M.

**/S/ Corey Vincent
COREY VINCENT
SECRETARY-TREASURER**

**/S/ Beau Petitjean
BEAU PETITJEAN
PRESIDENT**