

A public hearing was held in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Crowley, Louisiana, on at 6:00 P.M., on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Crowley, to receive comments on the proposed 2016 Budget.

Mr. Keith Stutes, District Attorney, stated that he had originally requested that the 2016 Budget include funding for the hiring of another Secretary, the hiring of an Investigator, and pay increases for the Assistant District Attorneys. He further stated that he would like to amend his request and not include the two new positions and reduce the increase in salary for the Assistant District Attorneys.

Juror David Savoy stated that the District Attorney had greatly reduced the outbound prisoner count thus saving the Police Jury money.

Mrs. Peggy Romero, Acadia Parish Police Jury Budget Coordinator, stated that the District Attorney's budget would not need additional funds and was fine as is with the increases. She further stated that additional funding would be needed for legal publications, Clerk of Court expenses, and deferred compensation. She recommended that the funding needed for the Clerk of Court expenses be taken from the Economic Development Fund. She also recommended that the funding needed for legal publications and deferred compensation for all funds be used from prior year fund balances.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER COMMENTS THE PRESIDENT ADJOURNED THE PUBLIC HEARING.

SECRETARY