

Jennings, Louisiana
August 10, 2022

The Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury met in a Regular Session on the above date, in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Sidney Briscoe Building located at 304 North State Street, Jennings, LA., at 5:00 P.M.

The following members were present:

DONALD WOODS	District 1	WAYNE FRUGE	District 8
JOHN MARCEAUX	District 2	CURT GUILLORY	District 9
MARCUS PETERSON	District 3	BYRON BULLER	District 10
KORI MYERS	District 4	BUTCH LAFARGUE	District 11
	District 5	OWEN CORMIER	District 12
MELVIN ADAMS	District 6	CHAD TALBOT	District 13
STEVE EASTMAN	District 7		

LANCE PERSON, Legal Counsel

Absent: TIM MCKNIGHT, District 5.

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Eastman. Mrs. Gary gave the Invocation and Ms. Myers led the Jury in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Woods, and carried, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on July 13, 2022, as written and submitted.

The motion was made by Mr. LaFargue, seconded by Mr. Guillory, and carried, to approve the minutes of the Special meeting held on July 27, 2022, as written and submitted.

Mr. Marceaux reported the Finance Committee meeting was held on Monday, August 8, 2022, at 7:00 A.M. All bills were reviewed and declared in order with the Committee recommending approval.

It was moved by Mr. Marceaux, seconded by Mr. Buller, and carried, to pay the following bills, to wit:

• GENERAL FUND	\$ 33,183.35
• COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE	3,107.20
• E911 & 911 WIRELESS	35.00
• CRIMINAL COURT	62,481.34
• COURTHOUSE MAINTENANCE	18,143.25
• SECTION 8	140.00
• SUB ROAD DISTRICT #1	26,002.17
• SPECIAL WARD, ROAD & BRIDGE	67,471.72
• REGIONAL CONSOLIDATED JAIL	62,617.77

• FIRE DISTRICT #1	1,173.74
• FIRE DISTRICT #2	1,376.14
• FIRE DISTRICT #3	4,422.03
• FIRE DISTRICT #4	922.75
• FIRE DISTRICT #5	6,020.28
• FIRE DISTRICT #6	1,068.29

The Police Jury entered into a Contractor Agreement with Horace Doucet in 2007 for maintenance of the Roanoke Park. Since Mr. Doucet is no longer able to perform these duties, his daughter Olita Green has requested replacing him. It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee to send a letter to Mr. Doucet cancelling his services and further entering into a new Independent Contractor Agreement with Ms. Green.

Mr. Marceaux made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cormier, and carried, to approve the Finance Committee's recommendation as stated.

Lastly, the Finance Committee recommends accepting the low bid from Efficient Air Systems, LLC, in the amount of \$39,500.00 for the replacement of two (2) air handlers at the Health Unit.

The motion was made by Mr. Marceaux, seconded by Mr. Fruge, and carried, to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

The Police Jury resolved itself into the Zoning Commission Board of Review to receive public comments in connection with a request received from Red Mark Investments, LLC, for a change in zoning classification from A-1 to C-1 for a funeral home located at 16388 Hwy 26, Jennings.

Public comments were received from several residents in the vicinity of the property, some opposed and some in favor of rezoning.

Mr. Adams made the motion, seconded by Mr. Guillory, and carried to approve the change in zoning classification. Mr. Fruge voted against the matter.

The motion was made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Guillory, and carried, with Mr. Fruge voting against, to accept the Zoning Commission Board of Review's recommendation as stated, to adopt the following Ordinance, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 2399

AN ORDINANCE amending the Jefferson Davis Parish Zoning Map to reflect the rezoning of certain property from A-1 Agricultural/Residential to C-1 Commercial said property belonging to RED MARK INVESTMENTS LLC, being located in

Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE POLICE JURY OF JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN REGULAR SESSION CONVENED ON AUGUST 13, 2022 THAT:

The Jefferson Davis Parish Zoning Map is hereby amended to reflect the rezoning from A-1 Agricultural/Residential to C-1 Commercial for a funeral home, with the stipulation that if the funeral home closes or does not open, the property reverts back to A1, and a privacy fence must be put up beginning at the front of the building on both sides and closing in the back, on the following property belonging to RED MARK INVESTMENTS LLC, to wit:

Lots 9 & 10 North Jennings Development area Sub in NE 15-9-3. 868-380
15093 #695601 #703676 #727685

THUS, DONE AND PASSED BY THE POLICE JURY ON JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH, LOUISIANA, on this 13th day of August, 2022.

It was moved by Mr. Cormier, seconded by Mr. LaFargue, and carried, to accept the recommendation of Bluewing Civil Engineering in connection with the approval of the minor Vanderbilt Estates Subdivision, located on South Main Road, Roanoke, in Section 34, Township 9 South, Range 4 West.

Mr. Woods made the motion, seconded by Mr. Adams, and carried, to accept the recommendation of Bluewing Civil Engineering in connection with the approval of the minor Kristian Earles Subdivision, located on Morgan Shores Road, in Section 21, Township 11 South, Range 3 West.

The motion was made by Mr. Guillory, seconded by Mr. Fruge, and carried, to approve a request from Marc Chaisson for a Flood Variance for a detached building located at 2234 Theo Road, Jennings.

Mr. Talbot made the motion, seconded by Mr. Buller, and carried, to reappoint Jerry Whatley to the Gravity Drainage District No. 7 board, with a term expiring August 1, 2026.

The motion was made by Mr. Buller, seconded by Mr. LaFargue, and carried, to reappoint Joseph Ezell and Alan Hebert to the Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 board, with terms expiring August 31, 2026.

Mr. Peterson made the motion, seconded by Mr. Adams, and carried, to authorize the President to enter into a Joint Service Agreement with the City of Jennings for funding of the Health Unit, retroactive to July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

It was moved by Mr. Marceaux, seconded by Mr. Woods, and carried, to approve the surplus of a Television bearing Tag #1690 from the Regional Consolidate Jail.

The motion was made by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Fruge, and carried, to approve the surplus of one HP Scanjet 5590 Printer bearing Tag #1034 from the Tax Assessor's office. Mr. Guillory and Mr. Buller voted against the matter.

Mr. Marceaux made the motion, seconded by Mr. Woods, and carried, to approve a request from Fire District No. 4 to purchase a Transit T-350 Van at a cost of \$40,129.25 and a Ford 450 Cab and Chassis in the amount of \$51,199.25 through State Contract.

It was moved by Mr. LaFargue, seconded by Mr. Buller, and carried, to adopt the following Resolution, to-wit:

RESOLUTION

A resolution approving the holding of an election in Gravity Sub-Drainage District "A" of Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, December 10, 2022, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Sub-Drainage District "A" of Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Gravity Sub-Drainage District "A" of Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on August 3, 2022, calling a special election in the District on Saturday, December 10, 2022, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the District has requested that this Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Police Jury to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Sub-Drainage District "A" of Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, this Police Jury hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Saturday, December 10, 2022, at which election there will be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)**

Shall Gravity Sub-Drainage District "A" of Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana (the "District"), be authorized to continue to levy a special tax of eleven and thirty-nine hundredths (11.39) mills on all the property subject to taxation within the District (an estimated \$110,100 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, commencing 2024 and ending with the year 2033, for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating gravity drainage works within the District?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Police Jury does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Woods, Mr. Marceaux, Mr. Peterson, Ms. Myers, Mr. Adams, Mr. Fruge, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Buller, Mr. LaFargue, Mr. Cormier, Mr. Talbot

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McKnight

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 10th day of August, 2022.

The motion was made by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Marceaux, and carried, to adopt the following Resolution, to-wit:

RESOLUTION

A resolution approving the holding of an election in the Broadmore Gravity Drainage District, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, December 10, 2022, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Broadmore Gravity Drainage District, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Broadmore Gravity Drainage District, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on August 2, 2022, calling a special election in the District on Saturday, December 10, 2022, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the District has requested that this Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Police Jury to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of the Broadmore Gravity Drainage District, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, this Police Jury hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Saturday, December 10, 2022, at which election there will be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)

Shall the Broadmore Gravity Drainage District, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana (the "District"), be authorized to continue to levy a special tax of eight and eight-tenths (8.8) mills on all property subject to taxation within the District (an estimated \$305,400 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2024 and ending with the year 2033, for the purpose of improving, constructing, maintaining and operating gravity drainage works within the District limits?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Police Jury does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Woods, Mr. Marceaux, Mr. Peterson, Ms. Myers, Mr. Adams, Mr. Fruge, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Buller, Mr. LaFargue, Mr. Cormier, Mr. Talbot

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McKnight

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 10th day of August, 2022.

Mr. Fruge made the motion, seconded by Mr. Peterson, and carried, to accept the resignation of Loma Bertrand from the Jeff Davis Parish Library Board and to further send a Letter of Appreciation to Mrs. Bertrand.

It was moved by Mr. LaFargue, seconded by Mr. Peterson, and carried, to appoint Fran Stroud to the Jeff Davis Parish Library Board to fulfill the unexpired term of Loma Bertrand, which expires on June 3, 2026.

The motion was made by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Fruge, and carried, to approve the purchase of sixty (60) Tons of #57 Limestone for Houssiere Park to be paid with Division One funds.

Mr. Guillory made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cormier, and carried, to approve tree removal on Bert Road by Acadiana Tree Service at a cost of \$1,100.00 to be paid with Division Two funds.

The motion was made by Mr. Buller, seconded by Mr. Fruge, and carried, to approve \$15,000.00 for limb cutting in various areas to be paid with Division Two-One funds.

It was moved by Mr. Cormier, seconded by Mr. LaFargue, and carried, to approve the following to be paid with Division Three funds: tree removal on 5th and 2nd Streets in Roanoke in the amount of \$1,900.00 by Acadiana Tree Service and tree cutting on adjudicated property in Welsh at a cost of \$5,000.00.

Committee Reports

Mr. Guillory reported a Jail Committee meeting held on Wednesday, August 3, 2022, at 5:15 P.M. It is the recommendation of the Jail Committee to allow Thomas Hotard to obtain a quote from Calcasieu Mechanical Contractors to complete the work on the remaining five (5) air handlers at the Regional Consolidate Jail and to further authorize Mr. Hotard to move forward with the project if the cost does not exceed \$10,000.00.

The motion was made by Mr. Guillory, seconded by Mr. Buller, and carried, to accept the recommendation of the Committee.

Additionally, the Jail Committee recommends authorizing Nick Johnson with Bluewing Civil Consulting to have Duratech put together plans and specs for the slab foundation work at the Regional Consolidated Jail at a cost of \$10,000.00

Mr. Guillory made the motion, seconded by Mr. LaFargue, and carried, to accept the Jail Committee's recommendation.

There being no further business to come before the Jury, it was moved by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Marceaux, and carried, to adjourn the meeting.

/s/ J. Steven Eastman
PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

/s/ Rebecca S. Gary
SECRETARY

September 14, 2022
DATE APPROVED