

Jennings, Louisiana
October 25, 2023

The Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury met in a Special 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
	District 2		District 9
MARCUS PETERSON	District 3	BYRON BULLER	District 10
KORI MYERS	District 4	BUTCH LAFARGUE	District 11
TIM MCKNIGHT	District 5	OWEN CORMIER	District 12
MELVIN ADAMS	District 6	CHAD TALBOT	District 13
STEVE EASTMAN	District 7		

LANCE PERSON, Legal Counsel

Absent: JOHN MARCEAUX, District 2; CURT GUILLORY, District 9.

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

Mr. Peterson made the motion, seconded by Mr. Woods, and carried, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 11, 2023, as written and submitted.

The motion was made by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Peterson, and carried, to approve Task Order #29 with DCMC for the HMGP Lake Arthur Lift Station Emergency Power project.

A discussion was held in connection with the 2024 Capital Outlay request for a road and bridge project. The roads and bridges pursued need to be listed on the application.

It was moved by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Peterson, and carried, to approve the list as revised and presented by Bluewing Civil Consulting.

The new EMPG grant through GOHSEP has increased in amount; however, it now requires a 20% local match.

Mr. Peterson made the motion, seconded by Mr. McKnight, and carried, to pay the 20% match with Special Revenue funds.

At the October 11, 2023 Regular Meeting, the Police Jury adopted a Resolution agreeing to pay Administrative Services, Engineering Services, and additional services which includes Construction Inspection and Testing, if required. The amount of Administrative Service fees was reduced by Bluewing Civil Consulting after the Resolution was adopted.

Therefore, upon motion made by Mr. Buller, seconded by Ms. Myers, and carried, the following revised Resolution was adopted, to-wit:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury has retained Bluewing Civil Consulting, LLC of Lafayette, LA for administrative and engineering services in connection with an application for funding for a LCDBG 2024-2025 Public Facility Grant and

WHEREAS, Parish officials are committed to this project and aware of its value to the community infrastructure;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury, by way of this resolution does hereby commit to partial funding for this project in accordance with the following: **\$40,000** for Administrative Services, **\$77,175** for Engineering Services, and **\$29,000** for additional services which includes Construction Inspection & Testing (if needed). These costs are to be paid from local funds for the LCDBG 2024-2025 Street Improvements Grant should the project get funded.

The above resolution was unanimously approved and adopted at the Special Meeting of the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury on the 25th day of October, 2023.

A discussion was held in connection with a request received from the City of Jennings to extend the current lease on the Jennings Fire Station property located at the Fairgrounds, which expires in 2034.

It was moved by Mr. Fruge, seconded by Mr. Buller, and carried, to deny extending the lease at this time as requested.

Committee Reports

There were no Committee reports.

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

/s/ J. Steven Eastman
PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

/s/ Rebecca S. Gary
SECRETARY

November 8, 2023
DATE APPROVED