

June 9, 2020

TO: Lincoln Parish Police Jury

FROM: Health & Welfare Committee

SUBJECT: Committee Report

The Health & Welfare Services Committee of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury met at the Lincoln Parish Library Events Center, Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. Present were: Annette Straughter, Chair, Hazel Hunter, Logan Hunt, Matt Pullin, and Sharyon Mayfield.

Annette Straughter called the meeting to order and delivered the invocation.

Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to approve the agenda. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Hunter, Hunt, Pullin, Mayfield and Straughter

First on the agenda was to consider authorizing Public Transportation Operating Assistance Program Agreement (State Project No. RU 18-31-21). H.E.L.P Agency Director Ronnie Dowling was present for questions. After discussion and question; Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to authorize a Public Transportation Operating Assistance Program Agreement (State Project No. RU 18-31-21). The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Hunter, Hunt, Pullin, Mayfield and Straughter

Next on the agenda was to consider authorizing a Louisiana Workforce Commission Community Services Block Grant Subaward Grant Agreement (C.A.R.E.S. Act). Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Matt Pullin, to authorize the Louisiana Workforce Commission Community Services Block Grant Subaward Grant Agreement (C.A.R.E.S. Act). The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Hunter, Hunt, Pullin, Mayfield and Straughter

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Annette Straughter
Chair

June 9, 2020

TO: Lincoln Parish Police Jury
FROM: Solid Waste and Recycling Committee
SUBJECT: Committee Report

The Solid Waste and Recycling Committee of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in the Lincoln Parish Library Events Center, June 9, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. Present were: T.J. Cranford, Chair, Glenn Scriber, Skip Russell, Milton Melton, and Sharyon Mayfield.

T.J. Cranford called the meeting to order and delivered the invocation.

Glenn Scriber offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to approve the agenda. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Cranford, Scriber, Russell, Melton, and Mayfield

First on the agenda was to discuss and take action if necessary on Solid Waste Collection Refuse Container Site Maintenance and Procedures. No action taken.

Next on the agenda was to discuss and take action if necessary on the Landfill Air Curtain Burner Contract with Crochet Equipment Company. After discussion, Skip Russell offered a motion, seconded by Glenn Scriber, to recommend submitting letters. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Cranford, Scriber, Russell, Melton, and Mayfield

Glenn Scriber offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to start the permit process. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Cranford, Scriber, Russell, Melton, and Mayfield

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

T.J. Cranford
Committee Chair

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., at the Lincoln Parish Library Events Center, Ruston, Louisiana. Present were: Theresa Wyatt, District One; Hazel Hunter, District Two; Marvin Franks, District Three; T.J. Cranford, District Four; Logan Hunt, District Five; Glenn Scriber, District Six; Matt Pullin, District Seven; Skip Russell, District Eight; Joe Henderson, District Nine; Milton Melton, District Ten; Sharyon Mayfield, District Eleven and Annette Straughter, District Twelve

Joe Henderson called the meeting to order and Sharyon Mayfield delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Matt Pullin to amend the agenda, to enter into executive session in regards to Item VI. Appointment of Parish Administrator. The motion was voted on by roll call:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAINED
Theresa Wyatt	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Hazel Hunter	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Marvin Franks	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
T.J. Cranford	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Logan Hunt	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Glenn Scriber	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Matt Pullin	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Skip Russell	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Joe Henderson	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Milton Melton	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Sharyon Mayfield	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Annette Straughter	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____

/s/ Courtney Hall
 Courtney Hall
 Parish Administrator

/s/ Joe Henderson
 Joe Henderson
 Parish President

The motion failed due to lack of a unanimous vote.

Mr. Henderson called for public comments on agenda items. There were none.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2020 regular meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Hazel Hunter offered a motion, seconded by Skip Russell, to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2020 special meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2020 special meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Next on the agenda was the appointment of Parish Administrator. Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to appoint Mr. Tracy Calloway. The motion was voted on by roll call:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAINED
Theresa Wyatt	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Hazel Hunter	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Marvin Franks	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
T.J. Cranford	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

Logan Hunt		X		
Glenn Scriber		X		
Matt Pullin		X		
Skip Russell		X		
Joe Henderson	X			
Milton Melton	X			
Sharyon Mayfield	X			
Annette Straughter	X			

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Joe Henderson
Joe Henderson
Parish President

The motion failed with a 6-6 vote.

Matt Pullin offered a motion, seconded by Logan Hunt, to appoint Mr. Doug Postel, Lincoln Parish Administrator. The motion was voted on by roll call:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAINED
Theresa Wyatt		X		
Hazel Hunter		X		
Marvin Franks	X			
T.J. Cranford	X			
Logan Hunt	X			
Glenn Scriber	X			
Matt Pullin	X			
Skip Russell	X			
Joe Henderson	X			
Milton Melton		X		
Sharyon Mayfield		X		
Annette Straughter	X			

/s/ Courtney Hall
Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

/s/ Joe Henderson
Joe Henderson
Parish President

The motion passed with an 8-4 vote. Doug Postel was appointed Lincoln Parish Police Jury Administrator.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter, to amend the agenda and appoint Mr. Kevin Klepzig, Interim Parish Administrator for the duration of the meeting. The motion was voted on by roll call:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAINED
Theresa Wyatt	X			
Hazel Hunter	X			
Marvin Franks	X			
T.J. Cranford	X			
Logan Hunt	X			
Glenn Scriber	X			
Matt Pullin	X			
Skip Russell	X			
Joe Henderson	X			
Milton Melton	X			
Sharyon Mayfield	X			
Annette Straughter	X			

/s/ Kevin Klepzig
Kevin Klepzig
Interim Parish Administrator

/s/ Joe Henderson
Joe Henderson
Parish President

The motion passed unanimously.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Glenn Scriber, to appoint Mr. Kevin Klepzig, Interim Parish Administrator for the duration of the jury meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Ms. Denise Griggs presented the Lincoln Parish Sales and Use Tax Commission 2020/2021 Proposed Budget. Marvin Franks offered a motion, seconded by Skip Russell to approve the proposed budget. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Next on the agenda was a resolution opposing all proposed legislation transferring administration and collection of local sales taxes to the Louisiana Department of Revenue.

Resolution 20-33

A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION OF ALL PROPOSED LEGISLATION THAT TRANSFERS THE ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION OF LOCAL SALES & USE TAXES TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Louisiana grants local governments the right to levy and collect local sales and use taxes;

WHEREAS, there are several constitutional amendments and other bills introduced in the 2020 Regular Legislative Session that would transfer collection responsibility of local sales and use tax levies to the State Department of Revenue; and

WHEREAS, local taxing authorities possess the best knowledge and experience to properly collect its own taxes and have a proven record of proactive advancements in the areas of enforcement, audit coverage, dispute resolution, reporting technology and successful litigation; and

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana's budget issues do not offer prospects for the Department of Revenue to have sufficient resources to provide the necessary taxpayer assistance, enforcement programs and training of its employees on the specific application of local sales and use tax ordinances without significant cost contributions from local governments, thereby resulting in the direct and indirect loss of local tax receipts; and

WHEREAS, many local taxing authorities have issued bonded indebtedness guaranteed by the passage locally adopted sales and use tax levies, collection of said levies the direct responsibility of local governments, and which transfer of that responsibility to a state agency may generate legal challenges and jeopardize future bond issues; and

WHEREAS, the central local collector in each parish is directly responsible to the local taxing authorities and their elected officials for the performance of local tax administration, and the Secretary Revenue being an appointee of the Governor of the state, uncertainty exists as to who in the Department of Revenue will be accountable to local taxing authorities for the performance of such critical local tax administration,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Commissioners of the Lincoln Parish Sales and Use Tax Commission, comprised of representatives from all governing taxing bodies in Lincoln Parish, that each member of the legislative delegation for the Parish of Lincoln is urged to vigorously oppose any and all proposed legislation that transfers the administration and collection of local sales and use taxes to the Louisiana Department of Revenue; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent forthwith to said legislators so that they will be made aware of our position on this matter,

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Next on the agenda was the official journal selection for the Police Jury. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter, to approve the Ruston Daily Leader as the official journal for 2020/2021. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Next on the agenda was to consider and take action on the renewal of the Courthouse Security Agreement with the Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office. After discussion, Glenn Scriber offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter, to renew the Courthouse Security Agreement with the Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Next on the agenda was the announcement of a public meeting to consider adoption of a resolution ordering and calling an election, to authorize renewal of ad valorem tax for the Lincoln Parish Library. The meeting will be held July 14, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lincoln Parish Library Events Center.

Under Announcement of Board and Commission vacancies, Interim Parish Administrator Kevin Klepzig stated that the Northeast Delta Human Services Authority will recommend Mr. Michael K. Shipp, to a 3-year term. Mr. Klepzig also stated the Greater Ward One Waterworks District recommends Mr. Don Hogan. The Personnel Committee will be meet in July to consider the recommendations.

Next on the agenda was advertisement for bids. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Matt Pullin, to authorize advertisement for bids for asphalt materials. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to authorize advertisement for bids for hot mix. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Next on the agenda was to authorize audit extension request to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. Hazel Hunter offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to authorize audit extension request to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Mr. Christopher Hyde, Parish Treasurer gave a budget to actual comparison report on the General Fund and additional major funds.

Under Committee Reports, Annette Straughter stated the Health and Welfare Committee met this day, at 5:30 p.m. and the Committee recommends:

1. Authorizing a Public Transportation Operating Assistance Program Agreement (State Project No. RU 18-31-21).
2. Authorizing the Louisiana Workforce Commission Community Services Block Grant Subaward Grant Agreement (C.A.R.E.S. Act)

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to approve the minutes of the Health and Welfare Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to authorize the President, to execute an operating assistance program agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and further providing with respect thereto.

RESOLUTION 2020-34

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury convened in Regular Session this 9th day of June, 2020 does hereby authorize the President to Execute Operating Assistance Program Agreement With Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development And Further Providing With Respect Thereto.

/s/ Joe Henderson
Joe Henderson
Lincoln Parish Police Jury President

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Milton Melton, to approve a resolution, authorizing H.E.L.P. Director, to execute subaward grant agreement with the Louisiana Workforce Commission and further providing with respect thereto.

RESOLUTION 2020-35

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury convened in Regular Session this 9th day of June, 2020 does hereby authorize HELP Director to Execute Subaward Grant Agreement with Louisiana Workforce Commission and Further Providing with Respect Thereto.

/s/ Ronnie Dowling
Ronnie Dowling
H.E.L.P. Director

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

T.J. Cranford stated the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee met this day, at 6:00 p.m. and the Committee recommends:

1. Discussed the Solid Waste Collection Refuse Container Site Maintenance and Procedures.
2. Authorize submittal of letter citing breach of contract with the Crochet Equipment Company regarding the Landfill Air Curtain Burner contract.
3. Approve submittal of D.E.Q. permit.

Skip Russell offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter, to approve the minutes of the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Franks, Cranford, Hunt, Scriber, Pullin, Russell, Henderson, Melton, Mayfield, and Straughter

After various department reports, and there were no public comments, the meeting was adjourned.

Kevin Klepzig
Interim Parish Administrator

Joe Henderson
Parish President