

April 9, 2019

To: Lincoln Parish Police Jury
From: The Personnel/Benefits Committee
Subject: Committee Report

The Personnel/Benefits Committee of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Third Floor, Lincoln Parish Courthouse, Tuesday, April 9, at 6:30 p.m. Present were: Hazel Hunter, Chair, Bobby Bennett, and Annette Straughter.

ABSENT: Jody Backus and Joe Henderson

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

Bobby Bennett offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Hunter, Bennett, Straughter

First on the agenda was to consider Board and Commission Candidates. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Bobby Bennett to recommend Mr. Keith Barnes for re-appointment to Greater Ward One Waterworks District. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Hunter, Bennett, Straughter

Bobby Bennett offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter to recommend Ms. Mary Jo Cooper to the Library Board of Control. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Hunter, Bennett, Straughter

There being other business to come before the committee; the meeting was adjourned.

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Hazel Hunter
Chair

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse, Ruston, Louisiana. Present were: Theresa Wyatt, District One; Hazel Hunter, District Two; Bobby Bennett, District Three; David Hammons, District Five; Walter Pullen, District Six; Nancy Wilson, District Ten; Sharyon Mayfield, District Eleven and Annette Straughter, District Twelve.

ABSENT: Randy Roberson, District Four; Jody Backus, District Seven; Skip Russell, District Eight; and Joe Henderson, District Nine.

Due to the absence of the President and Vice-President, the first order of business was to elect a President Pro-Tem. Parish Administrator Courtney Hall called for nominations. Several nominations were made and Walter Pullen was elected President Pro-Tem by unanimous vote.

Mr. Pullen called the meeting to order and Theresa Wyatt delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Bobby Bennett, to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Mr. Pullen called for any public comments on the agenda. There were none.

David Hammons offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter, to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2019 regular meeting. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Next on the agenda was a resolution supporting the Community Development Block Grant Program. Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Bobby Bennett, to approve the resolution supporting the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Resolution 2019-06

Whereas, the week of April 22-April 26, 2019 has been designated as National Community Development Week. Lincoln Parish Police Jury has been a participant in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program which funds public infrastructure, economic development, and housing programs in this community, and;

Whereas, in this community and communities throughout the nation, forty five years of Community Development Block Grant Program funding has developed a strong relationship between this local government and its residents, principally those of low-to-moderate income, and;

Whereas, this community recognizes that the Community Development Block Grant Program is a partnership of federal, state, and local government and community and business efforts, and that the services funded by the CDBG Program relies heavily on the dedication and good will of our combined efforts;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that during National Community Development Week 2019, this community will give special thanks and recognition to all participants whose hard work and devotion to the neighborhoods and their low- and moderate-income residents help ensure the quality and effectiveness of the Community Development Block Grant Program, and;

Be It Further Resolved, that this community, along with the service providers and others whose names are appended to this resolution, hereby petition the U.S. Congress and Administration to recognize the outstanding work being done locally and nationally by the Community Development Block Grant Program, and of its vital importance to the community and to the people who live in its lower income neighborhoods, and;

Be It Further Resolved, that copies of this resolution be conveyed to the appropriate elected and appointed officials of the federal government and that this community's name be added to the roll of those committed to the preservation and full funding of the Community Development Block Grant Program and maintenance of its essential features over the course of the next session of Congress.

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to proclaim April 2019, Fair Housing Month.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the 51st Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans -individually and collectively - to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists.

Whereas, this law guarantees for each citizen that critical, personal element of freedom of choice - selection of the home; and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the state of Louisiana, and implementation of that law requires the positive commitment, involvement and support of each of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury is to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln Parish Police Jury convened in regular session this 9th day of April 2019 does hereby and herewith proclaim April 2019, as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the parish of Lincoln and encourages all citizens to abide by the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law, and ask the citizens of this parish to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Bobby Bennett offered a motion, seconded by David Hammons, to approve the low bid of Scott Truck and Tractor, in the amount of \$180,740.00 for two new 12-yd dump trucks. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Annette Straughter offered a motion, seconded by Bobby Bennett, to award the low bid of Kenworth, in the amount of \$77,104.00 for a 2-ton C & C Flatbed Truck. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Bobby Bennett offered a motion, seconded by David Hammons, to award the low bid of Covington Sales and Service, in the amount of \$49,525.00 for a Trailer Mounted High Pressure Jetting Unit. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Bobby Bennett offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to award the low bid of Railroad Yard, Inc. for 4 10ftx60ft Tankers. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Next on the agenda was to consider request for assistance for the City Grambling. After discussion, Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by Hazel Hunter to approve the City of Grambling's request for assistance. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Holly Lowry, Treasurer, gave the budget to actual comparison report on the General Fund and additional major funds.

Under Committee Reports, Hazel Hunter stated that the Personnel/Benefits Committee met this day at 6:30 p.m. and the Committee recommends:

1. Mr. Keith Barnes be appointed to the Greater Ward One Water Works District.
2. Ms. Mary Jo Cooper be appointed to the Library Board of Control.

Hazel Hunter offered a motion, seconded by Annette Straughter, to approve the Personnel/Benefits Committee Report. The motion carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Hammons, Pullen, Wilson, Mayfield, Straughter

Under Other Business, reports were given by various Department heads.

After public comments and no others business to come before the Jury, the meeting was adjourned.

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Randy Roberson
Parish President