

June 12, 2020

On Friday June 12, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., the Police Jury of Sabine Parish, State of Louisiana met in open and special called session.

The Agenda was as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Prayer
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Amend the Agenda
6. Adopt the Agenda
7. Public Comments
8. Authorize President Mike McCormic to Execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Village of Florien, Louisiana
9. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing President Mike McCormic to Sign the Federal Funding Certification and Agreement to Hold Harmless and Indemnify and to Request Direct Payments from the State of Louisiana
10. Appoint the Sabine Index as the Official Journal for Sabine Parish
11. Consider Extending the Employment of the Part-time Clerical Employee to Assist at the General Administration Office Until September 30, 2020
12. Adjournment

1. Call to Order

President Mike McCormic called the meeting to order.

Because of the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Sabine Parish Police Jury provided for attendance at the meeting via telephone and video conference.

President McCormic then read aloud the agenda.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called by the Secretary Treasurer. The following jurors were present: Mike McCormic, "Charlie" Brown, William E. Ruffin, "Jeff" Davidson, Eric Garcie, Ricky "K-Wall" Sepulvado, Kenneth M. Ebarb, and "Randy" Byrd.

The following juror was absent: "Bo" Stewart

3. Prayer

Prayer was led by Mr. William E. Ruffin.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Charlie Brown.

5. Amend the Agenda

There was no amendment to the agenda.

6. Adopt the Agenda

Resolution No. 8559

Motion by Brown and seconded by Garcie to adopt the agenda.

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

Yeas: 8 - McCormic, Ruffin, Davidson, Brown, Garcie, Sepulvado, Ebarb, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 – Stewart

7. Public Comments

Police Jury President, Mike McCormic, allowed a period of public comment on any item on the agenda. Mr. McCormic advised everyone that they would be allowed to comment later during the meeting on particular agenda items, if they desire. There were no public comments at this time.

8. Authorize President Mike McCormic to Execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Village of Florien, Louisiana

Each juror was provided a draft of a cooperative endeavor agreement between the Sabine Parish Police Jury and the Village of Florien, Louisiana, whereby the two entities would work together to mow the grass, weeds and undergrowth along the roads within the Village limits. The Parish will provide the necessary equipment and equipment operators and the Village will reimburse the Parish for the cost of fuel used while mowing the Village streets.

President McCormic suggested that the cooperative endeavor agreement be amended to include a term that expires on December 31, 2020.

Resolution No. 8560

Motion by Byrd and seconded by Ebarb to authorize President Mike McCormic to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Village of Florien to provide for mowing the grass, weeds and undergrowth along the roads within the Village limits with the agreement expiring December 31, 2020.

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

Yeas: 8 - McCormic, Ruffin, Davidson, Brown, Garcie, Sepulvado, Ebarb, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Stewart

9. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing President Mike McCormic to Sign the Federal Funding Certification and Agreement to Hold Harmless and Indemnify and to Request Direct Payments from the State of Louisiana

Resolution No. 8561

Motion by Ruffin and seconded by Davidson:

WHEREAS the Sabine Parish Police Jury wishes to participate in the Louisiana CARES Act, and

WHEREAS the Louisiana CARES Act requires the Sabine Parish Police Jury to adopt a resolution authorizing an individual to sign the Federal Funding Certification and Agreement to Hold Harmless and Indemnify and to request direct payments from the State of Louisiana.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that President Richard M. “Mike” McCormic is hereby legally authorized to represent the Sabine Parish Police Jury and to sign the Federal Funding Certification and Agreement to Hold Harmless and Indemnify and to request direct payments from the State of Louisiana.

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

Yeas: 8 - McCormic, Ruffin, Davidson, Brown, Garcie, Sepulvado, Ebarb, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Stewart

10. Appoint the Sabine Index as the Official Journal for Sabine Parish

The Police Jury has received a letter from the Louisiana Secretary of State requesting that the official journal of the Parish be appointed by June 30, 2020.

Resolution No. 8562

Motion by Ruffin and seconded by Davidson to appoint the Sabine Index as the official journal of the Sabine Parish Police Jury for the period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021.

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

Yeas: 8 - McCormic, Ruffin, Davidson, Brown, Garcie, Sepulvado, Ebarb, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Stewart

11. Consider Extending the Employment of the Part-time Clerical Employee to Assist at the General Administration Office Until September 30, 2020

Secretary Treasurer Weatherford informed the Police Jury that the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness has postponed their audit of the FEMA Grant that was received for the 2016 flooding.

The part-time clerical assistant has been an integral part of the preparation of the project worksheets that will be audited. Her assistance in the audit will be crucial to a favorable outcome for the parish.

Resolution No. 8563

Motion by Sepulvado and seconded by Brown to extend the employment of the part-time clerical employee to assist at the general administration office until September 30, 2020.

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

Yeas: 8 - McCormic, Ruffin, Davidson, Brown, Garcie, Sepulvado, Ebarb, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Stewart

12. Adjournment

Resolution No. 8564

Motion by Ruffin and seconded by Ebarb to adjourn.

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

Yeas: 8 - McCormic, Ruffin, Davidson, Brown, Garcie, Sepulvado, Ebarb, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 - Stewart

s/William E. Weatherford
William E. Weatherford
Secretary Treasurer

s/Richard M. McCormic
Richard M. McCormic
President