

May 21, 2025

On Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., the Police Jury of Sabine Parish, State of Louisiana met in open and regular session.

AGENDA

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. Senator Alan Seabaugh
9. Representative Rodney Schamerhorn
10. Representative Larry Bagley
11. Planning Commission
 - (a) Discuss Subdivision of Bayou Scie Cemetery Property
 - (b) Discuss Cape Belle Vue Subdivision
12. Consider a Resolution Congratulating and Commending the Ebarb High School Baseball Team for Winning the 2025 Class C State Championship
13. Bridgette Homer-Capital Area Finance Authority
- 13a. Mr. Matt Anderson- Sabine Parish Waterworks District No.1
14. Accept the Minutes of the Previous Regular Meeting Held April 16, 2025
15. Consider Adopting an Ordinance Establishing Policy and Procedures for Monitoring and Controlling Special Events Held Within the Boundaries of Sabine Parish, Louisiana
16. Adopt the Millage Rates
17. Publicly Announce the Intent of the Sabine Parish Police Jury to Order and Call Elections to be Held in (i) Road District No. 1, Ward 6 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana, (ii) Road District No. 4, Ward 7 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana, (iii) Road District No. 15, Ward 5 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana and (iv) Road District No. 19, Ward 8 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana to Authorize the Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes Therein
18. Consider Adopting Social Media Policy
19. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing Execution of Two Cooperative Endeavor Agreements with the Louisiana Department of the Treasury for a Line-Item Appropriation Through Act 776 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session
20. Consider Entering a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Natchitoches Parish Government
21. Consider Amending Resolution No. 8747 of February 26, 2021, to Approve Payment of \$50 per Month for Business Use of Personal Cell Phones for the Lead Utility Laborer and Maintenance Supervisor
22. Review and Award Bid for a Self-Contained Purpose-Built Boom Mower
23. Review and Award Bid for a Dump Truck for Road District 17 (Ward 4)
24. Consider Replacing Truck Leased through Enterprise (P-8423 PW)
25. Authorize Advertising Bid for Authorize Advertising Bid for Truck Scales
26. Approve the Purchase of a John Deere 444G Wheel Loader Through State Contract for Road Districts 4 and 20
27. Consider Amending Resolution No. 9717 of February 19, 2025, to Include Max Amount to be Paid to Outside Counsel for the Term of the Representation
28. Consider a Resolution Opposing Senate Bill No. 103
29. Authorize Payment of Approved Bills
30. Appropriate and Transfer Sales Tax for May Operations (\$500,000)
31. Committee Reports
32. Operations
33. Adjournment

1. Call to Order

President Ricky L. Sepulvado called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called by the Secretary Treasurer. The following jurors were present: Barry Stevens, Ronny Bison, Bruce Taylor, Eric Garcie, Ricky “K-Wall” Sepulvado, Kenny John Remedies, and Randy Byrd.

The following jurors were absent or arrived late:
“Bo” Stewart and William E. Ruffin

3. Prayer

Prayer was led by Mr. William E. Weatherford, Secretary-Treasurer.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Eric Garcie.

5. Amend the Agenda

Public comments on the motion to amend the agenda must be allowed prior to any vote to add an item to the agenda. There were no public comments.

Resolution No. 9766

Motion by Garcie and seconded by Bison to amend the agenda to include the following items:

13a. Mr. Matt Anderson- Sabine Parish Waterworks District No.1

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

6. Adopt the Agenda

Resolution No. 9767

Motion by Bison and seconded by Byrd to adopt the agenda as amended.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

7. Public Comments

Police Jury President, Ricky L. Sepulvado, allowed a period of public comment on any item on the agenda. There were no public comments.

8. Senator Alan Seabaugh

No representative from Senator Alan Seabaugh’s office was present at the meeting.

9. Representative Rodney Schamerhorn

No representative from Representative Rodney Schamerhorn’s office was present at the meeting.

10. Representative Larry Bagley

No representative from Representative Larry Bagley’s office was present at the meeting.

11. Planning Commission

(a) Discuss Subdivision of Bayou Scie Cemetery Property

Mr. Bobby Hughes, Chairman of the Planning Commission, stated that the Planning Commission had approved the subdivision of Bayou Scie Cemetery Property during the last meeting.

(b) Discuss Cape Belle Vue Subdivision

He also informed the Police Jury that the Planning Commission had approved the preliminary plat of Cape Belle Vue Subdivision.

12. Consider a Resolution Congratulating and Commending the Ebarb High School Baseball Team for Winning the 2025 Class C State Championship

Resolution No. 9768

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE EBARB HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2025 CLASS C STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Motion by Garcie and seconded by Remedies:

WHEREAS, Sabine Parish has a long-standing history of excelling in sports, and

WHEREAS, the Ebarb High School Baseball Team has further demonstrated such excellence, and

WHEREAS, such success has been and continues to be the result of the dedication of the players, parents, coaches, sponsors, and other persons or entities, and

WHEREAS, the Ebarb High School Baseball Team has exhibited the highest level of sportsmanship and athletic skill, and

WHEREAS, the Ebarb High School Baseball Team has won the Class C State Championship.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury does hereby congratulate and commend the Ebarb High School Baseball Team, along with the coaches, parents, and supporters for winning the 2025 Class C State Championship.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

13. Bridgette Homer-Capital Area Finance Authority

The Sabine Parish Police Jury entered a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Capital Area Finance Authority to promote, encourage, and further the accomplishment of all activities which are or may have a public purpose, including, but not limited to the development of safe, sanitary single-family housing for the low and moderate income families on September 16, 2020.

The Capital Area Finance Authority is requesting the Sabine Parish Police Jury to approve the issuance of bonds approved by the Louisiana State Bond Commission on May 15, 2025. The Bonds are classified as exempt facility bonds, and the Internal Revenue Code requires that the issuance of the bonds be approved by the “applicable elected representative” of the governmental unit which issues the bonds or on whose behalf such bonds are issued and by the **“applicable elected**

representative’ of such other Participating Jurisdictions that have executed a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Authority under the provisions of the Act.

Resolution No. 9769

On motion by Bison and seconded by Byrd:

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Police Jury entered a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Capital Area Finance Authority to promote, encourage, and further the accomplishment of all activities which are or may have a public purpose, including, but not limited to the development of safe, sanitary single-family housing for the low- and moderate-income families on September 16, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Bond Commission approved the issuance of bonds on May 15, 2025, and

WHEREAS, Section 147(f)(2)(A), (B), and (E) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, require that the issuance of the bonds be approved by the “applicable elected representative “ of the governmental unit which issues such bonds or on whose behalf such bonds are issued and by the “applicable elected representative” of such other Participating Jurisdictions that have executed a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Authority under the provisions of the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury hereby approves and confirms the issuance of the bonds pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the president of the Sabine Parish Police Jury is hereby authorized to sign and otherwise execute a Certificate of Sabine Parish Evidencing Public Approval to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as Amended.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

13a. Mr. Matt Anderson- Sabine Parish Waterworks District No. 1

Mr. Matt Anderson with Sabine Parish Waterworks District No. 1 stated that he had contacted the Parochial Employees’ Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS) to inquire about the Water District joining the retirement system. PERS informed him that an ordinance would have to be passed by the governing authority of the parish (the Police Jury) before proceeding. He noted that water sales would be the source used to fund the employer contributions and would add no extra cost to the Police Jury. He requested the Police Jury to consider adopting the ordinance.

Resolution No. 9770

Motion by Stevens and seconded by Bison to table the consideration of an ordinance requested by Sabine Parish Waterworks District No. 1 to authorize them to join the Parochial Employees’ Retirement System of Louisiana.

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

Yeas: 6 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies

Nays: 0

Abstain: 1- Byrd

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

14. Accept the Minutes of the Previous Regular Meeting Held April 16, 2025

Resolution No. 9771

Motion by Bison and seconded by Remedies to accept the minutes of the previous regular meeting held April 16, 2025.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

15. Consider Adopting an Ordinance Establishing Policy and Procedures for Monitoring and Controlling Special Events Held Within the Boundaries of Sabine Parish, Louisiana

ORDINANCE NO. 5 OF 2025
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING
AND CONTROLLING SPECIAL EVENTS HELD WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF
SABINE PARISH, LOUISIANA

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:1236 authorizes the Sabine Parish Police Jury, the governing authority of the Parish of Sabine Louisiana, to regulate “special events” held within the boundaries of the Parish.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 21st day of May, 2025 hereby adopts the following ordinance:

Section I – Definitions

- a. For the purposes of this section, the term “Special Events” includes outdoor music events, carnivals, circuses, trail rides, fishing tournaments, car shows, fund raising events and similar activities, held in all areas of Sabine Parish, except those held entirely in an area that falls within any municipal town limits within Sabine Parish. This ordinance shall apply to gatherings of 200 or more people. Further, this ordinance is intended to apply to commercial activities generating revenue or other economic benefit, and/or held in exchange for goods and services. This ordinance is not intended to apply to family assemblies of people. All “Special Events” being held on public property will be excluded from this ordinance. Permitting decisions shall be made without regard to the content of protected speech.

Section II- Regulations established

- a. Application Required and Application Deadline
 - 1) No Special Event of any kind or for whatever purpose shall be held without applying to the Sabine Parish Sheriff’s Office for a permit required by this article.
 - 2) Any person, persons or entity desiring to conduct or manage a Special Event shall make written application on the standard Sabine Parish Sheriff’s Office (“SPSO”) forms available from the SPSO to the SPSO at least 30 days before the date on which the Special Event is to be conducted.
 - 3) Any application submitted for a Special Event which is scheduled to occur within 30 days shall not be accepted by the SPSO and be returned to the applicant.
 - 4) A permit fee of \$250.00 shall be submitted with the application. The fee will be retained by the SPSO if the permit is granted even if the permit is later revoked or the event cancelled for any reason after issuance of the permit. The \$250.00 fee will be refunded if the application for the permit is denied. The SPSO may elect to

waive this fee if the following conditions are met: 1. At the time that the application is submitted the applicant provides the sponsoring entity's IRS determination letter granting 501(c)(3) status, and 2. A signed statement by applicant, Organization Head or Responsible party that the entire proceeds of the event will be used for educational, charitable, religious, or historical restoration purposes, including the furtherance of the civic, educational, historical, charitable, fraternal, or religious purpose of the organization.

b. Each Application Shall Set Forth the Following Information:

- 1) The name of the individual(s), group, association, or organization wishing to conduct the Special Event. The name, address and telephone number of each person or persons completing the application. When the Special Event is to be conducted for, on behalf of, or by a group, association, business or other entity/organization, the application shall also include the 1. Name, address, and telephone number of the headquarters of the group, association, or other entity/organization, 2. The responsible head of such group, association, or other entity/organization ("Organization Head") and 3. The person(s) for the group, association, or other entity/organization who is/are the coordinator(s) of the Special Event, ("Responsible Party").
- 2) No applicant (s) who are individuals can be registered sex offenders or convicted felons. If the applicant is a group, association, or other entity/organization the Responsible Party cannot be a registered sex offender or convicted felon. Further, whether the applicant is an individual (s) or a group, association, or other entity/organization no property owner, organizer, volunteer, or paid worker involved with the Special Event can be a registered sex offender or convicted felon.
- 3) The name, address, telephone number, and driver's license (or government issued identification) of each individual submitting the application shall be provided. When the application is being submitted for a group, association, or other entity/organization the name, address, telephone number, and driver's license (or government issued identification) of the Responsible Party and Organization Head shall also be submitted.
- 4) The name, address and telephone number of the individual(s) or group, association, or organization to whom the permit is to be issued.
- 5) The date(s) when such Special Event is to be conducted.
- 6) Applicant shall provide the desired location for the event along with a valid, signed lease, contract, or written permission from the property owner. Applicant shall provide a layout of the property and event details which includes the size of the property, a traffic flow plan, designated means of ingress and egress, designated parking areas, staging areas, number and location of restrooms, number and location of handwashing stations, number, location, and type of trash collectors, and other pertinent information such as riding trail directions, types of anticipated attractions (e.g. merry-go-round), location of stage(s) at musical events, etc. ("Event Layout") The SPSO specifically reserves the right to request additional information concerning the Event Layout from the Applicant once the application is submitted to gain a better understanding of the Special Event and its impact, if desired by the SPSO. The Applicant shall comply with any request by the SPSO for additional information concerning the Event Layout.
- 7) The time when the Special Event will start and terminate.
- 8) The time at which attendees will begin to assemble for the Special Event.
- 9) The time at which attendees will be required to vacate the property where the Special Event was held.
- 10) Attendance Number which shall include the approximate number of 1. Persons who are anticipated to attend 2. The approximate attendance for the most recent event if the Special Event has been held before 3. Number and type of vehicles anticipated and 4. The number and type of animals involved, if any.
- 11) All proposed clean-up, emergency health, sanitation, and security plans in place during the Special Event.

- 12) Any application submitted to the SPSO which does not contain the information required by this article shall not be accepted by the SPSO and shall be returned to the applicant.
 - 13) Any application that is missing any of the information required by this article shall be supplemented with the missing information within 48 hours after initial submission of application. In the event the application is not provided with the missing information within 48 hours of initial submission, the application shall not be considered and shall be returned to the applicant as untimely.
- c. Involvement of Certain Departments or Other Agencies
- 1) Unless the Applicant has received approval for a Sales Tax Exemption Permit from the State of Louisiana through the Form R-1048, generally, charges for admission to places of amusement, entertainment, recreation, or athletic events, except those sponsored by schools, colleges, and universities, are classified as sales of services and as such are taxable. SPSO will notify the Sabine Parish Sales and Use Tax Commission at the time of application. Applicant should direct any questions or concerns on taxation of the Special Event to the Sabine Parish Sales and Use Tax Commission.
 - 2) SPSO shall conduct a site visit prior to the issuance of any permit for the Special Event 1. To determine the amount of security needed based on the Special Event application, including the Event Layout and 2. The impact on the surrounding community. If security concerns have been raised with an applicant's prior Special Event or a similar event, SPSO may consider this as part of its security evaluation. The Applicant is required to retain the services of any licensed and insured security company to provide the required security when the event is anticipated to involve 200 or more individuals. The ratio shall be (1) officer per fifty (50) attendees if alcohol is not present at the event and one (1) officer per twenty-five (25) attendees if alcohol is present at the event.
 - 3) The Sabine Parish Health Unit or Parish Sanitarian will advise the SPSO and evaluate all permit applications and proposed plans to determine health requirements, including but not limited to, the ratio of the number of attendees and restrooms including portables, sewage disposal, and water availability.
- d. Requirements and Standards for Issuance
- 1) No Special Event shall proceed without submission of an application to the SPSO which complies with all the application requirements set forth in this article.
 - 2) No permit shall be issued by the SPSO unless the SPSO is satisfied that the proposed Special Event to be permitted will not disrupt or harm any person residing near the proposed site or any scheduled parish activity, restrict the traffic flow or passage on any unpermitted parish streets or roads, disrupt the normal activity and operation of businesses, or encroach on any private property.
 - 3) No permit shall be issued by the SPSO unless the proposed clean-up, emergency, health, sanitation, and security plans in place during public interest or special event and estimated budgets for implementation and enforcement of these plans, as provided with the permit application, are approved by the SPSO, relevant fire district, emergency medical service, and health unit. Such approval or disapproval of the proposed plans shall be communicated via a written recommendation from the offices of the SPSO, relevant fire district, emergency medical service, and health unit
 - 4) Applicant shall provide the number of attendees in its application which has to be a formal representation for the basis of the permit. This number provided by the applicant is the operative representation that all coordinating agencies shall base their determination upon. Should the applicant underestimate the number of attendees, the SPSO shall have the authority to terminate the event in its sole discretion, if the crowd size underestimate causes the Special Event to be in violation of any of the requirements of this ordinance.
 - 5) The Special Event shall be permitted only during hours when the on-site parking would not be used for the primary occupancy's high traffic generation activities.
 - 6) When the Special Event has been concluded, the location(s) shall be left clean and restored to at least its previous condition.

- 7) All parking associated with the Special Event whether by volunteers, organizers, paid workers, or attendees for the Special Event shall occur on the property designated for parking in the Event Layout submitted with the application for the Special Event. Parking for the Special Event is prohibited on the public rights-of-way. Volunteers, organizers, paid workers, or attendees who park in the public rights-of-way shall be subject to criminal and other sanctions as provided by law including that any vehicle in the public rights-of-way is subject to immediate towing with all permissible charges including towing expense, storage expense and fines being assessed.
- 8) Payment of the non-refundable \$250.00 permit fee. This fee shall not be refunded if the permit is revoked.

e. Denial or revocation

Upon written notice to the applicant or permittee, the SPSO may deny or revoke a permit when:

- 1) The information contained in the application upon which the permit is based is found to be false in any material manner whatever the cause including but not limited to the presentation of inaccurate information or omission.
- 2) The applicant has failed to comply with any requirements of this article.
- 3) The applicant has previously had a Special Event permit denied or revoked for failure to comply with this ordinance, or at a Special Event held by the applicant, the applicant's identified Organization Head or the designated Responsible Party had significant criminal activity which was discovered and was and/or is being prosecuted.
- 4) The revocation of a permit will not result in a refund of the \$250.00 permit fee.

f. Procedures for appeal

- 1) An applicant who is denied a permit or a permittee whose permit has been revoked may file a written appeal ("appeal") with the SPSO from such denial or revocation.
- 2) The appeal must be filed within 48 hours of the permit denial or revocation.
- 3) The appeal must state in detail the grounds upon which it is asserted that the permit denial or revocation should be modified or reversed. If a modification is desired, the party appealing shall state the modification desired.
- 4) The appeal shall have attached to it the following documents 1. A copy of the complete application including all documents submitted in conjunction with the application, 2. The written permit denial or revocation and 3. All other documents the appealing party believes are material to the determination, if any.
- 5) The appeal will not be considered if the party appealing fails to comply with any requirement of this subsection of this article, and the SPSO's decision will stand.

g. Conditions and restrictions

- 1) The SPSO may condition the issuance of any permit by imposing reasonable requirements concerning the time, place and manner of the proposed activity, and such requirements as are necessary to protect the safety of persons and property or the control of traffic; provided such conditions shall not unreasonably restrict the right of free speech. Such restrictions may include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Restrictions on the purpose of the proposed activity, which shall in all instances be limited to only those purposes which are lawful.
 - ii. Restrictions on the location, date(s), time(s), and frequency of the proposed activity.
 - iii. Alteration of the date, time, route, or location of the proposed activity on the permit application.
 - iv. Conditions concerning the area of assembly and disbanding of a proposed activity or other events occurring along a route, as well as the conditions concerning the grounds for dispersion or elimination of the activity when such activity cannot be mitigated to a point as to ensure public safety and welfare, or which causes undue potential liability to the SPSO.
 - v. Requirements for the adequacy of health and sanitation concerns, including the presence of garbage disposal containers and cleanup, and

portable toilets, as well as the requirements for restoring the premises of the proposed activity.

- vi. Conditions concerning the accommodation of pedestrian or vehicular traffic, including restricting the proposed activity to only a portion of a street or area to be traversed and implementation of a traffic control plan to regulate traffic and pedestrian safety on the premises of the proposed activity.
 - vii. Requirements for the use of traffic cones, barricades, or other traffic control devices.
 - viii. Requirements for the use of SPSO personnel and/or equipment.
 - ix. Conditions concerning crowd control, including implementation of a security plan based upon the represented attendance of the proposed activity or historic attendance or issues at a past event of the Special Event.
 - x. Compliance with noise ordinances, regulations, and laws and restrictions on the use of amplified sound.
 - xi. Requirements to provide notice to surrounding property owners by U.S. mail to all contiguous property owners within a reasonable distance of the subject property location.
 - xii. Compliance with ordinances, regulations, and laws governing alcoholic beverages and restrictions on the sale or consumption of alcohol on the premises of the proposed activity.
 - xiii. Compliance with ordinances, regulations, and laws governing sales tax of the proposed activity. If the activity is subject to sales and use tax, any necessary permit from the appropriate taxing authority shall accompany the application.
 - xiv. Restrictions on the number and type of vehicles, animals, or structures at the proposed activity, and inspection and approval of animals or structures during the proposed activity.
 - xv. Compliance with animal protection ordinances, regulations, and laws, including all vaccination requirements imposed by the State of Louisiana.
 - xvi. Requirements for providing notice to all attendees and participants including volunteers and paid workers of the proposed activity of the conditions and restrictions imposed upon the activity and activity premises.
 - xvii. Compliance with any relevant ordinance or law and obtaining any legally required permit or license.
 - xviii. Any restriction or condition deemed necessary to ensure public safety and well-being.
- h. Qualification for Applicants for Permits involving Alcohol
La R.S. 26:80 and La. R.S. 26:280 outline the requirements for applicants for permits when alcohol will be sold or allowed on premises at a Special Event subject to this ordinance. The requirements of La. R.S. 26:80 and La. R.S. 26:280 as presently written or as amended are incorporated here by reference.

Section III- Violations and Penalties

- a. Any person violating any provisions of this article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon the conviction thereof shall pay such penalties as the court may decide as prescribed by Louisiana law not to exceed \$500.00. Each day's continued violation shall constitute a separate offense.
- b. In the event the applicant's permit is denied the SPSO shall not consider any application by the applicant for site plan approval and subsequent issuance of a permit for that project for a period not to exceed 90 days.
- c. The SPSO has the power and authority to shut down Special Events, if, at any time during the Special Event, it determines that the Special Event is in violation of any permit conditions, or the safety and security plans submitted and approved for permit issuance including any information found in the Event Layout. If a person refuses to comply with a vacate order from the SPSO then such refusal may be deemed a disturbance of the

peace and a violation of this provision and thus said violator(s) may be subject to issuance of citation, arrest and criminal charges.

- d. Nothing herein shall prevent the SPSO from taking such other action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation, including injunctive relief.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED this ordinance affects public health and safety and therefore shall become effective immediately upon adoption and it shall be published one time in the Official Journal of the Parish of Sabine, State of Louisiana, along with any other minutes of the meeting.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any ordinance or parts of any ordinance in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The foregoing ordinance having been offered upon a motion by Stevens and seconded by Garcie was then submitted to an official vote and the vote thereupon was recorded as follows to wit:

Yeas: 6 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Byrd

Nays: 1 - Remedies

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

Thereupon, the President declared this ordinance adopted on this the 21st day of May 2025, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Police Jury of the Parish of Sabine.

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

s/Ricky L. Sepulvado
Ricky L. Sepulvado
President

16. Adopt the Millage Rates

Resolution No. 9772

Motion by Bison and seconded by Remedies:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millages are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the Sabine Parish Police Jury:

	<u>MILLAGE</u>
Parish Wide General Alimony (Tax for: General Alimony)	4.80 mills
Road District #18 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	10.01 mills
Road District #16 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	7.87 mills
Road District #9 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	7.61 mills
Road District #17 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	9.64 mills
Road District #15 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	10.66 mills
Road District #1 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	17.22 mills

Road District #19 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	15.51 mills
Road District #20 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	22.58 mills
Road District #11 (Tax for: Road Maintenance)	25.64 mills
P. W. Humane Society (Tax for: Animal Shelter)	1.68 mills
Fire District 1 (Wards 1 & 2) (Tax for: Fire Protection)	8.67 mills
Fire District 1 (Wards 1 & 2) (Tax for: Fire Protection)	7.20 mills
Fire District 1 (Wards 3 & 4) (Tax for: Fire Protection)	5.11 mills
Fire District 1 (Wards 3 & 4) (Tax for: Fire Protection)	6.50 mills
North Sabine Fire #1 (Tax for: Fire Protection)	5.00 mills
North Sabine Fire #1 (Tax for: Fire Protection)	7.00 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Sabine, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes on May 21, 2025:

Member:	Yea	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Thomas Bo Stewart	_____	_____	<u> x </u>	_____
Barry Stevens	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bruce Taylor	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
William E. Ruffin	_____	_____	<u> x </u>	_____
Ronny Bison	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Eric Garcie	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____

Ricky Sepulvado	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Kenny John Remedies	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Randy Byrd	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

<u>s/William E. Weatherford</u>	<u>s/Ricky L. Sepulvado</u>
William E. Weatherford	Ricky L. Sepulvado
Secretary-Treasurer	President

17. Publicly Announce the Intent of the Sabine Parish Police Jury to Order and Call Elections to be Held in (i) Road District No. 1, Ward 6 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana, (ii) Road District No. 4, Ward 7 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana, (iii) Road District No. 15, Ward 5 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana and (iv) Road District No. 19, Ward 8 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana to Authorize the Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes Therein
Secretary Treasurer Weatherford read aloud the following Announcement of Public Meeting:

Announcement of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the Police Jury Room of the Courthouse, 400 Capitol Street, Many, Louisiana, the Police Jury of the Parish of Sabine, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling elections to be held in (i) Road District No. 1, Ward 6 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana, (ii) Road District No. 4, Ward 7 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana, (iii) Road District No. 15, Ward 5 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana and (iv) Road District No. 19, Ward 8 of Sabine Parish, Louisiana to authorize the levy of ad valorem taxes therein.

18. Consider Adopting Social Media Policy
The Sabine Parish Police Jury (Parish) website will remain the Parish’s primary online source for information. Social media will be used to complement Parish website information and broaden the reach of Parish messages through multiple channels. A social media policy needs to be adopted to govern the use of Parish social media sites and establish guidelines for use across all social media platforms.

Resolution No. 9773

Motion by Garcie and seconded by Byrd to adopt a social media policy for the Sabine Parish Police Jury.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

19. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing Execution of Two Cooperative Endeavor Agreements with the Louisiana Department of the Treasury for a Line-Item Appropriation Through Act 776 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session
The Sabine Parish Police Jury has been notified that it is the recipient of two line-item appropriations through Act 776 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session- State Aid to Local Government Entities. One appropriation is in the amount of \$40,000 and must be spent on parish building and facility improvements. The other appropriation is in the amount of \$100,000 and is allocated for road repairs.

In order to participate in this grant, the Sabine Parish Police Jury must execute a cooperative endeavor agreement with the State of Louisiana for each appropriation.

Resolution No. 9774

On motion by Byrd and seconded by Taylor:

WHEREAS the Sabine Parish Police Jury is the recipient of two line-item appropriations contained in Act 776 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session, in the amounts of \$40,000 and \$100,000; and

WHEREAS Executive Order JBE 2016-38 requires a comprehensive cooperative endeavor agreement between the transferring agency and the police jury in order for the jury to receive the funding from each line-item appropriation, and

WHEREAS, these funds must be expended for parish building and facility improvements, and road maintenance, no later than June 30, 2025

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sabine Parish Police Jury hereby approves and authorizes entering into two cooperative endeavor agreements with the Louisiana Department of the Treasury and the State of Louisiana; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the president of the Sabine Parish Police Jury is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to sign and otherwise execute the said cooperative endeavor agreements.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

20. Consider Entering a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Natchitoches Parish Government

The Sabine Parish Police Jury desires to enter a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Natchitoches Parish Government to facilitate the disposal of garbage collected by the Natchitoches Parish Government into the Sabine Parish Sanitary Landfill.

Resolution No. 9775

Motion by Bison and seconded by Garcie:

WHEREAS, Effective July 1, 2025, the Natchitoches Parish Government desires to adopt the Sabine Parish Police Jury as the sole provider of waste disposal services for all waste that is collected by or otherwise controlled by the Natchitoches Parish Government, and

WHEREAS, Article VII Section 14 (C) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana provides that “For a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions ...may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other” and

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Police Jury has indicated a willingness to provide adequate airspace at the Sabine Parish Sanitary Landfill for the disposal of waste collected/handled by the Natchitoches Parish Government

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury is hereby authorized to enter a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Natchitoches Parish Government, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the police jury president is hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to complete the agreement.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

21. Consider Amending Resolution No. 8747 of February 26, 2021, to Approve Payment of \$50 per Month for Business Use of Personal Cell Phones for the Lead Utility Laborer and Maintenance Supervisor

Resolution No. 8747 of February 26, 2021, authorized a monthly per diem of fifty dollars (\$50) for business use of their personal cellular telephones to the following positions: Road Superintendent, Dump Site Manager, Road Foremen, Master Mechanic and Mechanic, Enforcement Deputies and Litter Deputies. The Police Jury no longer utilizes litter deputies and has established two positions for Maintenance Supervisor. In addition, a position for Lead Utility Laborer has been created. Both Maintenance Supervisors and the Lead Utility Laborer use their personal cellular telephones to conduct parish business. In order for these positions to receive the monthly per diem of fifty dollars (\$50), Resolution No. 8747 of February 26, 2021, shall be amended.

Resolution No. 9776

On motion by Garcie and seconded by Bison:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 8747 of February 26, 2021, authorized a monthly per diem of fifty dollars (\$50) for business use of their personal cellular telephones to the Road Superintendent, Dump Site Manager, Road Foremen, Master Mechanic and Mechanic, Enforcement Deputies and Litter Deputies, and

WHEREAS, the Police Jury no longer utilizes litter deputies and has replaced these positions with two Maintenance Supervisors, in addition to creating a position for a Lead Utility Laborer, and

WHEREAS, the two Maintenance Supervisors and the Lead Utility Laborer use their personal cellular telephones to conduct parish business

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution 8747 of February 26, 2021, is hereby amended to replace the position of Litter Deputies with Maintenance Supervisors and add the position of Lead Utility Laborer.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

22. Review and Award Bid for a Self-Contained Purpose-Built Boom Mower

The Sabine Parish Police Jury accepted bids for a self-contained purpose-built boom mower for parish-wide use until 10:00 a.m. on April 25, 2025, at which time the bids received were opened and publicly read aloud. One bid was received.

Mr. Barry Stevens requested that no purchase be approved unless paperwork showing the funding source was attached to the sales quote.

Resolution No. 9777

Motion by Stevens and seconded by Bison to approve no purchase unless paperwork showing the funding source was attached to the sales quote.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

After adoption of the resolution, it was determined that the agenda was never amended to include the agenda item. The legal counsel of the Police Jury recommended that the Jury rescind the prior adopted resolution.

Resolution No. 9778

Motion by Bison and seconded by Garcie to rescind Resolution No. 9777 of May 21, 2025.

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

Yeas: 6 - Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 1- Stevens

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

The Jury then returned to Agenda Item No. 22- Review and Award Bid for a Self-Contained Purpose-Built Boom Mower.

Resolution No. 9779

Motion by Taylor and seconded by Bison:

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Police Jury has accepted bids for a self-contained purpose-built boom mower until 10:00 a.m. on April 25, 2025, and

WHEREAS, one bid was received for a self-contained purpose-built boom mower as follows:

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
ATMAXEquipment Company	Mower Max Prime Mover with 24 ft. Arm	\$242,613.19

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Police Jury hereby accepts the bid from ATMAX Equipment Company in the amount of \$242,613.19.

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

Yeas: 6 - Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 1- Stevens

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

23. Review and Award Bid for a Dump Truck for Road District 17 (Ward 4)

The Sabine Parish Police Jury accepted sealed bids for a new dump truck for Ward 4 until 10:00 a.m. on May 2, 2025, when the bids were opened and publicly read aloud. Two sealed bids were received by the Police Jury.

Resolution No. 9780

On motion by Taylor and seconded by Byrd:

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Police Jury has accepted bids for a new dump truck for Road District 17 (Ward 4) until 10:00 a.m. on May 2, 2025, and

WHEREAS, two bids were received for a dump truck for Road District 17 (Ward 4) as follows:

Vendor	Type	Model	Price
Pliler International	Ledwell 16’ Dump Body	2025 International HX620	\$185,518.00
Bruckner’s Truck & Equipment	Warren 16’ Dump Body	2026 Mack Pinnacle 64R Daycab	\$179,951.00

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Police Jury hereby accepts the bid from Bruckner’s Truck & Equipment in the amount of \$179,951.00.

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

Yeas: 6 - Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 1- Stevens

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

24. Consider Replacing Truck Leased through Enterprise (P-8423 PW)

Road Superintendent Hughes suggested that parish-wide unit P-8423 needs to be replaced due to its excessive wear and tear. This truck is leased through Enterprise Fleet Management and, if replacement is approved, it will be sold for proceeds that will be applied to offset the cost of a new truck. The new truck will continue to be leased through Enterprise.

Resolution No. 9781

Motion by Byrd and seconded by Remedies to authorize Enterprise Fleet Management to dispose of and replace parish-wide unit P-8423.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

25. Authorize Advertising Bid for Truck Scales

During the May 16, 2025, Road and Shop Committee meeting, Road Superintendent Hughes informed the committee that a set of truck scales will be needed for pugmill operations. The scales will be utilized to account for inventory of the oil sand produced by the pugmill. The scales are estimated to cost approximately \$146,000.00. The committee recommended authorizing advertising bid for truck scales.

Resolution No. 9782

Motion by Garcie and seconded by Remedies to authorize Road Superintendent Bobby Hughes to develop specifications for truck scales to be used for pugmill operations and to work with Secretary Treasurer William E. Weatherford to prepare and issue a bid request for said equipment.

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

Yeas: 6 - Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 1- Stevens

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

26. Approve the Purchase of a John Deere 444G Wheel Loader Through State Contract for Road Districts 4 and 20

The Road and Shop Committee met on May 16, 2025. The Committee discussed the purchase of a wheel loader for Road Districts 4 & 20 (Wards 7 & 9). The Road & Shop Committee recommends purchasing the equipment through State Contract.

Road Superintendent Hughes obtained a quote for the purchase of the equipment through State Contract as follows:

Vendor	Description	Cost
Doggett Equipment	John Deere 444G Wheel Loader	\$158,229.45

Resolution No. 9783

On motion by Byrd and seconded by Garcie:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Jury purchase for Road Districts 4 & 20 (Wards 7 & 9), through State Contract, a John Deere 444G wheel loader for \$158,229.45, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Road Superintendent Bobby Hughes and Secretary Treasurer William E. Weatherford are hereby authorized to execute and sign any documents necessary to complete the purchase, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that City Bank & Trust Company has offered to provide funding for this purchase through a loan agreement that includes a non-appropriation clause and does not include a non-substitution clause, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury President is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to execute a loan agreement with City Bank and Trust Company for a John Deere 444G wheel loader at a cost of \$158,229.45.

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

Yeas: 6 - Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 1- Stevens

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

27. Consider Amending Resolution No. 9717 of February 19, 2025, to Include Max Amount to be Paid to Outside Counsel for the Term of the Representation

Resolution No. 9717 of February 19, 2025 authorized the Police Jury to retain outside counsel for the purpose of evaluating legal options against Swyft Connect, a federally funded entity that is

currently installing high-speed internet in Sabine Parish. The adopted resolution was submitted to the Attorney General for the State of Louisiana for approval and after careful examination, the Attorney General's office requested that a maximum amount expected to be paid to outside counsel for the term of representation be included in the resolution.

Resolution No. 9784

Motion by Taylor and seconded by Garcie to amend Resolution No. 9717 of February 19, 2025 to read as follows:

WHEREAS, The Sabine Parish Police Jury requires counsel for the purpose of evaluating legal options against Swyft Connect, a federally funded entity that is currently installing high-speed Internet in Sabine Parish (Swyft is federally funded, and implementing part of a federal program); and

WHEREAS, the Police Jury does not have counsel on its staff, and the Sabine Parish District Attorney's Office has advised that it does not have civil experience with federal civil cases, nor sufficient resources to promptly assist with these matters; and

WHEREAS, The Police Jury proposes to retain the following outside counsel for these purposes, at the following legal rates:

J. Chris Guillet, Corkern, Crews, Guillet & Johnson, LLC, 616 Front Street,
Natchitoches, Louisiana (318-352-2302), \$300 per hour, and

WHEREAS, the hourly rate shall be \$300.00, a maximum total of \$5,000 for the term of representation, because this counsel has more than twenty years of experience in the practice of law, with extensive experience in federal court, and federal civil litigation, as well as state court litigation, and experience representing public bodies; this rate is equal to or less than typical legal rates in this area for comparable civil work; and

WHEREAS the term shall commence on the date of the adoption of this resolution and be effective through December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the scope of this legal representation does not involve federal claims; and

WHEREAS, this resolution shall take effect immediately

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury, pursuant to La. R.S. 42:262 and applicable law, does hereby retain and employ the law firm of J. Chris Guillet, Corkern, Crews, Guillet & Johnson, LLC as special counsel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution and proposed contract described herein be submitted to the Attorney General for the State of Louisiana for approval.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

Whereupon the Resolution was declared adopted by the Sabine Parish Police Jury on the 21st day of May 2025.

I, Ricky L. Sepulvado, President of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, under authority vested in me under the law, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the said Police Jury at its meeting held May 21, 2025, at which a quorum was present, and the same has not been revoked, rescinded or altered in any manner, and is in full force and effect.

s/Ricky L. Sepulvado
Ricky L. Sepulvado, President

Witnessed this 21st day of May 2025.

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

28. Consider a Resolution Opposing Senate Bill No. 103

Senate Bill No. 103 of the 2025 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session (the Bill) is to provide relative to terms and qualifications of police jurors, specifically to set term limits for the Sabine Parish police jurors. Any jurors elected to serve for more than two and one-half terms shall be ineligible to serve as a police juror in Sabine Parish for any term thereafter. The Sabine Parish Police Jury is opposed to Senate Bill No. 103 and hereby adopts the following resolution opposing the Bill.

Resolution No. 9785

On motion by Bison and seconded by Garcie:

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Police Jury has been informed of the introduction of Senate Bill No. 103 of the 2025 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session (the Bill) which is intended to set term limits for Sabine Parish police jurors, and

WHEREAS, there has been no public outcry or grassroots support within the Parish to establish term limits for the police jurors, and there has been no request by any citizen to consider a parish resolution to establish term limits for the police jurors nor has there been any discussion of such a resolution during the public comments sections of the police jury meetings, and

WHEREAS, the Bill was authored and introduced by a freshman senator who has never attended any meeting of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, nor has he interviewed any of the Police Jurors or management level Jury employees to investigate the condition of the Parish, and

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Police Jury concludes that it is not in support of the Bill for the following reasons:

- Loss of Experienced Jurors
- Inability to Attract Candidates for Police Juror
- Loss of Continuity for Ongoing Projects
- Ability of Voters to Recall Ineffective Jurors
- Lack of Voter Support for Term Limits
- The Proposed Term Limits Discriminate Against the Existing Police Jurors of Sabine Parish

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury adopts a resolution in opposition to Senate Bill No. 103 of the 2025 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

29. Authorize Payment of Approved Bills

Resolution No. 9786

Motion by Byrd and seconded by Remedies to pay the approved bills.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

30. Appropriate and Transfer Sales Tax for May Operations (\$500,000)

Resolution No. 9787

Motion by Byrd and seconded by Garcie to appropriate and transfer \$500,000.00 from the Sales Tax Fund to the Parish-wide Transportation Fund for May 2025 operations.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

31. Committee Reports

Mr. Barry Stevens provided an update on the broadband project occurring throughout Parish.

Mrs. Mallory Monteith, Marketing Director of Sabine Parish Chamber of Commerce, gave an update on the comprehensive plan for Sabine Parish.

32. Operations

There were no items discussed under “Operations”.

33. Adjournment

Resolution No. 9788

Motion by Taylor and seconded by Garcie to adjourn.

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

Yeas: 7 - Stevens, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

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

s/Ricky L. Sepulvado
Ricky L. Sepulvado
President