

April 15, 2026

On Wednesday, April 15, 2026, 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
12. Accept the Minutes of the Previous Regular Meeting Held March 18, 2026, and the Special Called Meeting Held April 9, 2026
13. Ms. Georgia Craven and Mr. Hunter Lewing- Discuss America 250
14. Mr. Danny Asbell –Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board-Provide Monthly Report
15. Mr. Stanley Cook, Deputy Coroner - Report on the Coroner’s Office Activities During the Period of January Through March 2026
16. Consider the Re-appointment of Mr. Donnie Wooley as a Member for the Sabine Parish Library Board
- 16a. Ms. Jodi Cook, Director of Sabine Parish Library- Report on the Library’s Activities During the Period of January through March 2026
17. Set Date and Time for Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance- Ordinance No. 2 of 2026: An Ordinance Establishing Regulations for Subdivision Development in Sabine Parish, Louisiana
18. Discuss Adopting a Policy on the Use and Management of Off Road (Dyed) Diesel Fuel
19. Consider Implementation of Electronic Payroll Processing
- 19a. Consider Approving Payment of \$50 per Month for Business Use of Personal Cell Phone for the Landfill Scale House Attendant
20. Consider Meals on Wheels Driveway Assistance Request
21. Authorize Advertisement of Bids for New Parish-wide Road Widener
- 21a. Authorize the Road and Shop Committee to Negotiate and Execute Agreements for Sale or Exchange of Excess Oil Sand
- 21b. Consider Lowering Minimum Bid Set on Surplus Equipment: 2005 Ford F750 Tack Truck, TR-1283 PW (VIN: 3FRXF76P55V111283)
- 21c. Discuss Road Damage Reimbursement Funds
22. Authorize Payment of Approved Bills
23. Appropriate and Transfer Sales Tax for April Operations (\$500,000)
24. Committee Reports
25. Operations
26. Adjournment

1. Call to Order

President Ronald L. Bison 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:

“Bo” Stewart and William E. Ruffin

3. Prayer

Prayer was led by the Secretary Treasurer.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Randy Byrd.

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. 9989

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

16a. Ms. Jodi Cook, Director of Sabine Parish Library- Report on the Library's Activities During the Period of January through March 2026

19a. Consider Approving Payment of \$50 per Month for Business Use of Personal Cell Phones for the Landfill Scale House Attendant

21a. Authorize the Road and Shop Committee to Negotiate and Execute Agreements for Sale or Exchange of Excess Oil Sand

21b. Consider Lowering Minimum Bid Set on Surplus Equipment: 2005 Ford F750 Tack Truck, TR-1283 PW (VIN: 3FRXF76P55V111283)

21c. Discuss Road Damage Reimbursement Funds

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. 9990

Motion by Sepulvado and seconded by Garcie 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, Ronald L. Bison, 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

Ms. Shanna Gaspard, Legislative Assistant to State Representative Rodney Schamerhorn, was present at the meeting but did not provide a report.

10. Representative Larry Bagley

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

11. Planning Commission

Mr. Bobby Hughes, Chairman of the Planning Commission, gave the Police Jury an overview of the April 14, 2026, Planning Commission meeting.

12. Accept the Minutes of the Previous Regular Meeting Held March 18, 2026, and the Special Called Meeting Held April 9, 2026

Resolution No. 9991

Motion by Sepulvado and seconded by Remedies to accept the minutes of the previous regular meeting held March 18, 2026, and the special called meeting held April 9, 2026.

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. Ms. Georgia Craven and Mr. Hunter Lewing- Discuss America 250

Mr. Hunter Lewing, Event Specialist with the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission, addressed the Police Jury. He reminded the Jury of the community time capsule project that will be sealed during America's 250<sup>th</sup> celebration this year. The community time capsule will be stored at the Sabine Parish Courthouse.

He requested the Jury to provide a concrete pedestal for the time capsule.

14. Mr. Danny Asbell –Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board-Provide Monthly Report

Mr. Asbell was not in attendance. Ms. Melinda Heard, member of the Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board, provided a summary of the Board's last meeting.

15. Mr. Stanley Cook, Deputy Coroner - Report on the Coroner's Office Activities During the Period of January Through March 2026

Mr. Stanley Cook, Deputy Coroner, reported on the activities and accomplishments of the Sabine Parish Coroner's Office during the first quarter of 2026.

Mr. Cook reported that the Coroner's Office worked a total of 169 investigations during the first quarter of 2026. He noted that the Office worked 69 deaths, committed 73 individuals, and worked 26 cremation investigations. He reported that the Coroner's office also worked one sexual assault investigation during the quarter.

16. Consider the Re-appointment of Mr. Donnie Wooley as a Member for the Sabine Parish Library Board

The Sabine Parish Police Jury has received a letter dated March 30, 2026, from the Sabine Parish Library Board requesting that Mr. Donnie Wooley be re-appointed as a board member.

Resolution No. 9992

On motion by Taylor and seconded by Stevens:

WHEREAS, the term of appointment of Mr. Donnie Wooley as a board member for the Sabine Parish Library Board will expire on May 17, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Library Board has requested that Mr. Donnie Wooley be re-appointed as a board member.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mr. Donnie Wooley be re-appointed as a board member for the Sabine Parish Library Board, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Wooley's term as board member shall be for a period of five years and will expire on May 17, 2031.

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

16a. Ms. Jodi Cook, Director of Sabine Parish Library- Report on the Library's Activities During the Period of January through March 2026

Ms. Jodi Cook, Director of the Sabine Parish Library, provided the Jurors with a report outlining the library's services and usage of each service in the first quarter of 2026. She reported that parish-wide the library received 8,744 visits and 11,943 items were circulated or "checked-out". The library also recorded 268 computer usages during the first quarter.

17. Set Date and Time for Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance- Ordinance No. 2 of 2026: An Ordinance Establishing Regulations for Subdivision Development in Sabine Parish, Louisiana

During the March 18, 2026, Regular Police Jury meeting, the Police Jury introduced Ordinance No. 2 of 2026: An Ordinance Establishing Regulations for Subdivision Development in Sabine Parish, Louisiana. The Jury needs to hold a public hearing on the ordinance before it can be considered for adoption.

Resolution No. 9993

Motion by Stevens and seconded by Sepulvado to hold a public hearing on Ordinance No. 2 of 2026: An Ordinance Establishing Regulations for Subdivision Development in Sabine Parish, Louisiana in the Police Jury Meeting Room in the Courthouse located at 400 S. Capitol Street, Room 101, Many, Louisiana, on May 20, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.

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

18. Discuss Adopting a Policy on the Use and Management of Off Road (Dyed) Diesel Fuel

A policy for control of off-road diesel fuel needs to be adopted to establish clear standards and controls for the purchasing, storage, distribution, use, and monitoring of off road (dyed) diesel fuel by the Sabine Parish Police Jury. During the March 18, 2026 Regular Police Jury meeting, the Jury adopted a resolution to adopt a policy for control of off-road diesel fuel.

Resolution No. 9994

Motion by Sepulvado and seconded by Taylor to table adopting a written policy on the use and management of Off Road (Dyed) Diesel Fuel until more research could be conducted on the implementation of said policy.

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. Consider Implementation of Electronic Payroll Processing

Mrs. Brittany Clark, Payroll/Human Resources Clerk, provided the jurors with research she had conducted on electronic payroll processing. She noted that although electric payroll processing would be more convenient operations are spread across many locations, and electronic payroll processing would be difficult to implement effectively.

Resolution No. 9995

Motion by Sepulvado and seconded by Taylor to continue processing payroll manually.

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

19a. Consider Approving Payment of \$50 per Month for Business Use of Personal Cell Phone for the Landfill Scale House Attendant

The Landfill Scale House Attendant uses her personal cellular telephone to conduct parish business. Other Parish employees who use their cellular telephones to conduct parish business receive a reimbursement of fifty dollars (\$50) per month.

Resolution No. 9996

Motion by Remedies and seconded by Garcie to authorize a monthly reimbursement of fifty dollars (\$50) to the Landfill Scale House Attendant for the use of her personal cellular telephone to conduct parish business.

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 Meals on Wheels Driveway Assistance Request

During the April 9, 2026, the Road and Shop Committee meeting, the Committee reviewed a request from the Executive Director of Sabine Council on Aging asking the Police Jury to help with repairing deteriorating driveways where "Meals on Wheels" delivery drivers travel. The Executive Director has provided a list of driveways in need of repair. The consensus of the Road and Shop Committee was to refer the discussion to the full Jury.

Resolution No. 9997

Motion by Taylor and seconded by Remedies to instruct Road Superintendent Bobby Hughes to visit the deteriorating driveways included on the list provided by the Executive Director of the Sabine Council on Aging to determine the driveways that met the criteria established for handicapped driveway repairs.

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. Authorize Advertisement of Bids for New Parish-wide Road Widener

During the April 9, 2026, Road and Shop Committee meeting, Road Superintendent Bobby Hughes reported that the Road Department is in need of a road-widener. He requested the purchase of a new road widener. The road widener is expected to cost over \$60,000 and therefore subject to the Public Bid Law. The Road and Shop Committee has recommended authorizing advertising for bids for the said equipment.

Resolution No. 9998

Motion by Garcie and seconded by Remedies to authorize Road Superintendent Bobby Hughes to develop specifications for a new road widener 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: 5 - Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 2- Stevens, Taylor

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2- Stewart and Ruffin

21a. Authorize the Road and Shop Committee to Negotiate and Execute Agreements for Sale or Exchange of Excess Oil Sand

President Bison briefly discussed the need to expedite the execution of contracts for sale and/or exchange of excess oil sand.

Resolution No. 9999

Motion by Remedies and seconded by Garcie to authorize the Road and Shop Committee to negotiate agreements for the sale or exchange of excess oil sand and to authorize the President of the Police Jury to execute said 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

21b. Consider Lowering Minimum Bid Set on Surplus Equipment: 2005 Ford F750 Tack Truck, TR-1283 PW (VIN: 3FRXF76P55V111283)

Resolution No. 10000

Motion by Sepulvado and seconded by Taylor to table lowering the minimum bid set on surplus equipment: 2005 Ford F750 Tack Truck, TR-1283 PW (VIN: 3FRXF76P55V111283) until the next meeting.

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

#### 21c. Discuss Road Damage Reimbursement Funds

Mr. Bruce Taylor inquired about road damage reimbursement funds collected in Ward 4, Road District 17. President Bison informed him this information will be presented during the next Finance Committee meeting.

#### 22. Authorize Payment of Approved Bills

Resolution No. 10001

Motion by Sepulvado and seconded by Taylor 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

#### 23. Appropriate and Transfer Sales Tax for April Operations (\$500,000)

Resolution No. 10002

Motion by Sepulvado and seconded by Remedies to appropriate and transfer \$500,000.00 from the Sales Tax Fund to the Parish-wide Transportation Fund for April 2026 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

#### 24. Committee Reports

Mr. Barry Stevens suggested that the Finance Committee consider the possibility of transferring money from the General Fund to the individual road districts for improvements to the parish roads.

#### 25. Operations

Road Superintendent Hughes provided the jurors with a listing of permits and citations issued during the prior month. He also presented a list of 2026 road projects completed to date.

Mr. James "J.C." Holman, Landfill Superintendent, provided the jurors with an update on the construction of Cells 8 & 9 at the Solid Waste Landfill.

26. Adjournment

Resolution No. 10003

Motion by Sepulvado 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/Ronald L. Bison  
Ronald L. Bison  
President