# Minutes of the Meeting Of the

Red River Parish Police Jury held on the

# 7<sup>th</sup> DAY of October 2020

THE RED RIVER PARISH POLICE JURY met on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 10:00 am., in the Police Jury Assembly Room, Located in the Red River Parish Courthouse, Coushatta, La in its Regular meeting with President Shawn Beard presiding. Roll Call and attendance was recorded as follows:

PRESENT: Beard, Davis, Taylor, Hillman, Murray, Brown, Moore

ABSENT: None

Prayer and Pledge by Mr. Beard

### **New Business**

On the motion of Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Brown the minutes as written for September 2020 were approved. Motion Carried.

# ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH STATE OF LOUISIANA OFF SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Code of Federal Regulations as enacted by the United States Congress mandates that all structures defined as bridges located on all public roads shall be inspected, rated for safe load capacity and posted in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and that an inventory of these bridges be maintained by each State; and

WHEREAS the responsibility to inspect, rate and load post those bridges under the authority of Red River Parish in accordance with those Standards is delegated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to Red River Parish.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing authority of Red River Parish (herein referred to as the Parish) that the Parish in regular meeting assembled does hereby certify to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (herein referred to as the DOTD) that the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019 through 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020:

- 1. The Parish has performed all interim inspections on all Parish owned or maintained bridges in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards.
- 2. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish have been structurally analyzed and rated by the Parish as to the safe load capacity in accordance with AASHTO Manual for Maintenance Inspection of Bridges. The load posting information that has been determined by the LA DOTD for all bridges where the maximum legal load under Louisiana State Law exceeds the load permitted under the operating rating as determined above has been critically reviewed by the Parish. Load posting information has been updated by the Parish to reflect all structural changes, any obsolete structural ratings or any missing structural ratings.
  - 3. All Parish owned or maintained bridges where require load posting or closing are are load posted or closed in accordance with the table in the DOTD Engineering Directives and Standards Manual Directive No. 1.1.1.8. All DOTD supplies load posting information concerning a bridge has been critically reviewed by the Parish Engineer prior to load posting.
  - 4. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish are shown on the attached list in the

format specified by the DOTD Corrections to data supplied to the Parish by the LA DOTD are noted.

These stipulations are prerequisites or participation by the Parish in the Off-System Bridge Replacement Program.

This resolution was considered section by section and as a whole and upon motion of Mr. Taylor seconded by Mr. Brown was adopted by the following vote on the 7<sup>TH</sup> day of October 2020.

YEAS: 7 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

On the motion of Mr. Moore seconded by Mr. Hillman the following Proclamation was adopted:

#### **PROCLAMATION**

Dysautonomia is a group of medical conditions that result in a malfunction of the autonomic nervous system, which is responsible for "automatic" bodily functions such as, but not limited to: respiration, heart rate, blood pressure, digestion, bone marrow production, and temperature control.

Whereas Dysautonomia affects people of any age, gender, race, or background, negatively impacting over 70 million people around the world, including many individuals living right here in our wonderful state of Louisiana. There are 15 different forms of Dysautonomia. These include Neuropathy, Vasovagal Syncope, Pure Autonomic Failure, and Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome (commonly known as POTS), just to list a few. People who have been diagnosed with some form of Dysautonomia often have secondary conditions such as: Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (EDS), Lupus, Multiple Sclerosis (MS), Parkinson's disease, Sjogren's syndrome or Diabetes.

Whereas Dysautonomia can be very disabling and is a life changing diagnoses; this chronic illness can result in the inability to work or attend school, may cause social isolation, depression and /or anxiety. It is not just physically affecting people; it is an emotionally and financially draining ailment as well. It is extremely stressful on the families of those impacted.

Dysautonomia Louisiana is a local organization that advocates on behalf of patients living with Dysautonomia and those individuals suffering from its symptoms and still struggling for a diagnosis. Our goal is to bring much needed awareness to the community and information to the medical professionals across Louisiana.

Therefore, Dysautonomia will help patients obtain an earlier diagnosis and treatment plan, save lives, and foster support for individuals and families already coping with Dysautonomia in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, On the motion of Mr. Moore seconded by Mr. Hillman the Red River Parish Police Jury do hereby proclaim the month of October as, DYSAUTONOMIA AWARENESS month throughout Red River Parish.

Therefore, we are encouraging communities to celebrate Dysautonomia Awareness Month each October in the state of Louisiana.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Moore and seconded by Mr. Hillman.:

## **RESOLUTION**

A resolution approving the issuance, sale, and delivery of not exceeding One Million Four Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$1,410,000) of Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, of the Parish wide Fire Protection District of the Parish of Red River, State of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Parish wide Fire Protection District of the Parish of Red River, State of Louisiana (the "District"), proposes to issue not exceeding \$1,410,000 of Limited Tax Refunding Bonds (the "Bonds") to refund and extend the Issuer's outstanding Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2016, maturing March 1 of the years 2021 through 2023, and to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds, all as provided in a resolution adopted by the governing authority of the District on September 21, 2020 (the "Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the Bonds are payable from a pledge of the revenues to be derived by the District from the levy and collection of a special tax of three and seventy-two hundredths (3.72) mills from the present year through the year 2032 (said rate levied in 2013 being 3.52 mills and rolled forward to 3.72 mills on the 2019 tax roll and authorized to be continued at 3.72 mills through the year 2032) (collectively, the "Tax") pursuant to elections held in the Issuer on March 24, 2012 and August 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Police Jury to approve the issuance of said Bonds of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Red River, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Red River, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of Parish wide Fire Protection District of the Parish of Red River, State of Louisiana, this Police Jury hereby approves the issuance, sale and delivery of not exceeding \$ 1,410,000 of Limited Tax Refunding Bonds of the District, said Bonds to mature not later than March 1,2033, bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 4.00% per annum and to be secured by and payable from a pledge of

the revenues to be derived by the District from the Tax, all as provided in the Resolution.

SECTION 2. Neither the Parish of Red River nor this Police Jury shall be liable in any manner for the payment of said Bonds, and no funds of the Parish nor of the Police Jury shall be pledged to the payment thereof.

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

YEAS 7 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 ABSTAINING 0

Mr. Murray made the motion seconded by Mr. Taylor to renew the Jail Nurse contract between Dana Moseley and the Red River Parish Police Jury. Motion Carried.

# **Finance**

Mr. Taylor made the motion, seconded by Mr. Brown the bills for September 2020 were approved to be paid. Motion carried.

The 2020 budget was reviewed, nothing voted on.

## **Ambulance District**

On the motion of Mr. Hillman followed with a second by Mr. Brown the Ambulance District bills were approved to be paid for the month of September 2020. Motion carried.

On the motion of Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Hillman the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried.

Carolyn A. Hayes-Secretary-Treasurer	Shawn Beard-President