

Minutes of the Meeting Of the

Red River Parish Police Jury held on the

3rd DAY of MARCH 2021

THE RED RIVER PARISH POLICE JURY met on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 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 Tray Murray presiding. Roll Call and attendance was recorded as follows:

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

ABSENT: None

Invocation by Mr. Hillman and pledge by Mr. Murray.

Visitor (s)

Pam Chamblor and others discuss the probability of have an animal control shelter here in Red River Parish.

Gabe Firment also spoke to the jurors letting them know that he is available if they need him.

Jeremy Tingler address the juror about part of Abbington Loop Road being exchange for a new section of road. Which on the motion of Mr. Davis seconded by Mr. Brown it was agreed to start the process on the exchange. Motion Carried.

Roads

On the motion of Mr. Moore followed with a second by Mr. Brown the Red River Parish Police Jury adopt the Woodland Hill road. Motion Carried.

New Business

Mr. Taylor made the motion seconded by Mr. Moore to approve minutes as written for February 2021. Motion Carried.

With Mr. Moore making he motion seconded by Mr. Brown Mrs. Barbara Brister for reinstated for another term to the Red River Parish Library Board. Motion Carried.

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF RED RIVER

Rural Broadband Resolution

WHEREAS, the RED RIVER PARISH POLICE JURY strives to enhance the quality of life of its residents, both personally and economically, and

WHEREAS, high-speed internet service has become a necessary component to participating in the modern economy, healthcare and education, but this service is unavailable or of an inadequate quality for many residents, and

WHEREAS residents of Red River Parish deserve the same educational, medical and economic opportunities as citizens in parishes served by high-speed internet,

WHEREAS, neighboring states of our region have invested in the development of broadband infrastructure at varying levels, while Louisiana has made no financial investment thus far,

WHEREAS, legislation has been passed over the past year to allow opportunities for installation by private providers using the infrastructure of the Rural Electric Cooperative and the Cooperatives themselves have been given permission to expand into broadband from the Public Service Commission recently,

WHEREAS, legislation has been passed this year to establish a Louisiana Office of Broadband that will allow a designated state office to seek funds and distribute in order to promote broadband installation in Louisiana,

WHEREAS, various departments of the Federal Government have made funds available for expansion of broadband targeted to rural areas. These funds provide an initial step toward bridging the digital divide,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Red River Parish Police Jury urges the Louisiana Legislature to pass legislation which will invest in the installation of high-speed internet for rural Louisiana.

The motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by Juror Mr. Hillman Member seconded by Jury Member Mr. Brown, and the following vote was recorded.

YEAS: Brown, Young, Hillman, Taylor, Davis, Moore, Murray
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

This the 3rd day of March 2021.

On the Motion of Mr. Taylor seconded by Mr. Brown the following proclamation was adopted.
Motion Carried

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The State of Louisiana

GOVERNOR

John Bel Edwards

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the 53rd 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; and

WHEREAS, this law guarantees for each citizen the critical, personal element of freely choosing a home; and

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

WHEREAS, the department and agencies of the state of Louisiana are 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 to freely choose a home will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bel Edwards, Governor of the State of Louisiana do hereby proclaim the month of April 2021, as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the state of Louisiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol in the City of Baton Rouge this (*numbered*) day of (*month*) A.D. two thousand sixteen.

John Bel Edwards
Governor of Louisiana

LCDBG RESOLUTON

WHEREAS, the week of **April 13 - April 18, 2020** has been designated as National Community Development Week, Red River Parish is/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-seven years of Community Development Block Grant Program funding has developed a strong of 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 2020*, 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

CERTIFICATE

I, Carolyn A. Hayes, Secretary-Treasurer for the Red River Parish Police Jury hereby certify that the above constitutes a true and accurate copy of a Resolution, which UPON MOTION of Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Moore was adopted by the following Yea and Nay vote:

YEA: 7

NAY: 0

ABSENT: 0

And the same was declared adopted by the President this 3rd day of March 2021.

Carolyn A. Hayes, Secretary-
Treasurer Red River Parish,
Louisiana

Finance:

Mr. Taylor made the motion seconded by Mr. Hillman to pay the bills for the month of February 2021. Motion Carried.

Ambulance District

Mr. Brown made the motion followed with a second by Mr. Hillman it was approved to pay bills for the Ambulance District for the month of February 2021. Motion Carried.

On the motion of Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Brown the meeting was adjourned. Motion Carried.

Carolyn Hayes-Secretary/Treasurer

Tray Murray-President