

State of Louisiana
Parish of Vernon



**VERNON PARISH POLICE JURY
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024
10:00 AM**

**PARISH GOV'T COMPLEX BUILDING
300 S. 3RD STREET, 2ND FLOOR
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA**

AGENDA

If any person not attending the meeting desires to submit comments on any item(s) listed on the meeting agenda, they may submit their comment(s) no later than 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 15, 2024. Comments may be submitted as follows:

- *Via email to vppj@vppjla.com*
- *Via fax at 337-238-0240*
- *Drop off written comments at the Parish Government Complex Building*

1. Call to Order

2. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

5. Visitors 1. Mr. Tommy Edwards, CASA

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Tuck to execute proclamation declaring April 2024 National Child Abuse Prevention Month in Vernon Parish

2. Mr. Joseph Gardner, Keeping It Country & Sons of AMVETS Veterans Tribute

3. Fire Chief Mike Laughlin, Fire Tax Amendment

6. Public Comment

7. Motion to accept the minutes of the February 12, 2024 committee meeting, the February 20, 2024 regular meeting, the March 11, 2024 committee meeting, and the March 18, 2024 regular meeting and dispense with the reading of the minutes.

8. Committee Reports:

1. Capital Properties
 2. Econ. Development & Planning
 3. Equipment
 4. Finance
 5. Fire Protection and Solid Waste
 6. Permit & Claims
 7. Personnel
 8. Road Maintenance & Construction
 9. Veterans Affairs
 10. Ways & Means
 11. Wildlife & Lakes
9. Motion to enter into public hearing to hear public input on a proposed ordinance providing for health insurance benefits.
10. Motion to return to regular session.
11. Motion to adopt an ordinance providing for health insurance benefits. **(ROLL CALL)**
12. Motion to hold a public hearing on Monday, May 20, 2024 at 10:00am, during the regular police jury meeting, to hear public input on the following proposed ordinances:
1. A proposed ordinance to abandon Herring Road (#6003), District 6 Ward 6, in its entirety (1,584 feet beginning at Hwy 465).
 2. A proposed ordinance to abandon P. Woodle Road (#6004), District 6 Ward 6, in its entirety (1,584 feet beginning at Herring Road).
13. Motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the jury to finance one (1) John Deere 75 P-Tier Excavator (cleanout bucket, hydraulic thumb) for District 6 from Doggett Equipment with John Deere Financial; \$120,824.44 (state contract).
14. Motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the jury to finance one (1) 2024 John Deere 75 P-Tier Excavator (hydraulic coupler, hydraulic thumb, and digging bucket) for District 10, 11, 12 from Doggett Equipment with John Deere Financial; \$127,859.16 (state contract).
15. Motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the jury to finance one (1) 2024 John Deere 310 P-Tier Backhoe Loader for District 1, 4, 8, 9 from Doggett Equipment with John Deere Financial; \$128,737.20 (state contract).
16. Motion to adopt memorial resolutions for the following community members: Mr. Floyd Dempsey Merchant, Mr. Michael Shane Wellman, Mr. Darrell Trent Brinkley, Mr. Joe Kenneth Wellman, Mr. Ellis Gene Nash, Mr. Allen Richard, Sr., Mrs. Marianne Hood, Mr. Hershal Weeks, Mr. Laurence Beall, Mr. David Bennett, Mrs. Kimberly Pridgen, Mr. James Hicks.
17. Motion to authorizing payment of all invoices as authorized by the Finance Committee and authorize payment of all expenditures above the budgeted amount from Ward Maintenance and/or Construction accounts.

18. Motion to adjourn.

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