State of Louisiana Parish of Vernon



VERNON PARISH POLICE JURY REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 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, September 15, 2025. 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. Carmen Gonzales, President & Founder, Dysautonomia Louisiana, Inc.
- 6. Public Comment

7. PROCLAMATIONS:

Adopt a proclamation declaring the month of September as **HBCU AWARENESS MONTH** in Vernon Parish to recognize the continuing contributions of Southern, Grambling, Xavier, and Dillard Universities.

Adopt a proclamation declaring the month of October as **DYSAUTONOMIA AWARENESS MONTH** in Vernon Parish to increase awareness about dysautonomia to 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.

- 8. Motion to accept the minutes of the August 11, 2025 special call meeting, the August 11, 2025 committee meeting, the August 18, 2025 regular meeting, and the August 28, 2025 special call meeting.
- 9. Motion to sit as Board of Review to hear and act on complaints of taxpayers relative to Property Assessment:

There were no appeals received

- 10. Motion to return to regular session.
- 11. Motion to accept and certify the property tax assessment, as assessed by the Vernon Parish Assessor, for 2025.
- 12. Motion to issue Quietus for 2025 tax collection to the Vernon Parish Tax Collector.
- 13. Committee Reports:
 - 1. Capital Properties
 - 2. Carbon Sequestration
 - 3. Econ. Development & Planning
 - 4. Equipment
 - 5. Finance
 - 6. Fire Protection and Solid Waste
 - 7. Lakes

- 8. Permit & Claims
- 9. Personnel
- 10. Road Maintenance &

Construction

- 11. Veterans Affairs
- 12. Ways & Means
- 14. Motion to enter into public hearing to hear public input on the following proposed ordinances:
 - 1. A proposed ordinance to repeal and re-enact Sec. 14-1, Operating vehicle or other means of conveyance while intoxicated or impaired, of the Vernon Parish Code of Ordinances.
 - 2. A proposed ordinance providing regulations for the site development of land in the unincorporated area of Vernon Parish for the purpose of constructing and operating "Solar Farms," and further providing with respect thereto.
 - 3. A proposed ordinance to temporarily reduce the speed limit on McNeely Road and Browns Lane, District 2 Ward 2, to 15 MPH, in their entirety, only while the bridge on Holton Harris Road is being replaced.
- 15. Motion to return to regular session.
- 16. Motion to adopt an ordinance to repeal and re-enact Sec. 14-1, Operating vehicle or other means of conveyance while intoxicated or impaired, of the Vernon Parish Code of Ordinances. (ROLL CALL)

- 17. Motion to adopt an ordinance providing regulations for the site development of land in the unincorporated area of Vernon Parish for the purpose of constructing and operating "Solar Farms," and further providing with respect thereto. (ROLL CALL)
- 18. Motion to adopt an ordinance to temporarily reduce the speed limit on McNeely Road and Browns Lane, District 2 Ward 2, to 15 MPH, in their entirety, only while the bridge on Holton Harris Road is being replaced. (ROLL CALL)
- 19. Motion to adopt a resolution to waive the PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) through September 30, 2025 for the Vernon Parish Housing Authority; estimated PILOT is \$16,300.00.
- 20. Motion to adopt a resolution to rescind Resolutions No. 15 and 33 of 2024.
- 21. Motion to adopt a resolution supporting industries that provide economic development to Vernon Parish whether or not they require CCS in their operations.
- 22. Motion to adopt a resolution in support of the CapturePoint Community Investment Fund (CIF) for Vernon Parish and approve and accept Memorandum of Understanding between the Vernon Parish Police Jury and CapturePoint for the CIF and authorize the President and/or Administrator/Treasurer to execute the MOU and any other contracts or documents related to the CIF on behalf of the jury.
- 23. Motion to adopt memorial resolutions for the following community members:

George Douglas "Dr. Doug" Brandon, DVM Mrs. Jane Beltz Mr. Curtis Bass Mr. Gideon Capitano

- 24. Motion to authorize 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.
- 25. Motion to adjourn.

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