The Madison Parish Police Jury held a public hearing and convened in regular session at the Courthouse Building, Tallulah, Louisiana on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

President Sanders gave the invocation and opened the public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was conducted for the purposes of affording the public an opportunity to inspect and comment on the proposed budget for 2024.

No one appeared for the hearing and there were no written concerns received. A motion was made by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Ogden, that the public hearing be closed. No discussion. Motion passed.

REGULAR MEETING

The roll call followed the announcement of a quorum. The following members were present at roll call:

District 1 Mr. Preston Walker
District 2 Mr. Stanley Ogden
District 3 Mr. Dave Wilson
District 4 Mr. Johnny Hughes
District 5 Ms. Jane Sanders

Visitors: None

The President requested a motion to amend the agenda to discuss garbage. Mr. Hughes offered the motion and Mr. Hicks seconded the motion. The roll call was as follows:

District 1 Yea
District 2 Yea
District 3 Yea
District 4 Yea
District 5 Yea

No discussion. Motion carried.

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

President Sanders requested the approval of the Consent Agenda (approval of November 13th and 27th, minutes and approval of December 11, 2023 minutes, November's Building and Garbage Reports and also the Outstanding Invoice Report). A motion was made by Mr. Hicks, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve the consent agenda. No discussion. Motion passed.

Mr. Hughes offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve the request to pay outstanding invoices with available funds or as funds become available. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Each juror reported on concerns within their district.

Mr. Hicks reported on his attendance at the City Council Meeting. The City agreed to pay 50% of the invoice presented to clean the bayou.

A motion was made by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Ogden to adopt the 2024 Budget. Upon a roll call, the votes were as follows:

District 1 Yea
District 2 Yea
District 3 Yea
District 4 Yea
District 5 Yea

No further discussion. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Ogden, seconded by Mr. Hughes to adopt the Amended 2023 Budget. Upon a roll call, the votes were as follows:

District 1 Yea
District 2 Yea
District 3 Yea
District 4 Yea
District 5 Yea

No further discussion. Motion carried.

The Secretary was asked to check on the expiration of the garbage agreement.

There was no discussion of correspondence.

There were no public comments.

/s/ Margarett Dew

/s/ Jane Sanders