

Tallulah, Louisiana
March 24, 2025

The Madison Parish Police Jury met in regular session and convened at the Courthouse Building, Tallulah, Louisiana on Monday, March 24, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

President Sanders called the meeting to order and gave the invocation. The roll call followed the announcement of a quorum. The following members were present at roll call:

District 1 Jerry Hicks
District 2 Stanley Ogden
District 3 Dave Wilson
District 4 Johnny Hughes
District 5 Jane Sanders

Visitors: M. J. Williams, F. Hicks, J. Troy, T. Johnson, K. Schaufele, R. Morris, X. Bell,
T. Mitchell, F. Williams, C. Lewis, and L. Brandley,

No comments were made during the Public Comments Period held at the beginning of the meeting that allows for comments on agenda items.

President Sanders requested the approval of the Consent Agenda (March 10th minutes, and the Outstanding Invoice Report.). A motion was made by Mr. Hicks, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to approve the Consent Agenda. No discussion. Motion carried.

The Secretary/Treasurer requested permission to pay all invoices based on available funds. A motion was offered by Mr. Ogden and seconded by Mr. Hughes, to pay the outstanding invoices with available funds or as funds become available. No discussion. Motion carried.

Each juror reported on concerns within their district, followed by a report from Superintendent.

Mr. Patterson updated the jurors on the GUMBO 2.0 Regional Meeting regarding broadband service. During GUMBO 1.0 lines were ran underground. Service will start during GUMBO 2.0. and Conexon Connect is the listed internet service provider for Madison Parish. Louisiana Office of Broadband is waiting for the federal government to release funding.

Mr. R. Morris, member of the Economic Development Board, addressed the Jury on the Board's status and possible strategies for the future.

A motion was made by Mr. Hughes and properly seconded by Mr. Wilson to issue a resolution to change the Economic Development's bank signers to the Madison Parish Police Jury signers on record. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

District 1 yea
District 2 yea
District 3 yea
District 4 yea
District 5 yea

No discussion. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-5

WHEREAS, at a regular meeting of the Madison Parish Police Jury held on Monday, January 13, 2025, the following individuals were elected officers:

Jane G. Sanders	President
Johnny Hughes	Vice-President
Jerry Hicks	Finance Chairman

WHEREAS, the Chairperson of the Economic Development Board has resigned it is necessary to remove the current signers from the checking account;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that two (2) original signatures must appear on all checks drawn on the Madison Parish Economic Development account of the Madison Parish Police Jury. The President, Jane G. Sanders, and the Vice-President, Johnny Hughes, are authorized to sign all checks on any account. The Secretary/Treasurer, Margaret M. Dew, is the designated alternate check signer.

The foregoing resolution was read in full; the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS:	Hicks, Ogden, Wilson, Hughes and Sanders
NAYS:	None
ABSTAINED:	None
ABSENT:	None

Ms. K. Schaufele addressed the Jury regarding the placement of gravel on top of East Bear Lake Road. The Parish Superintendent was to address the situation.

As a result of Dr. Neumann terminating his service as the jail's medical provider, Mr. Hicks made a motion, that was properly seconded by Mr. Ogden, to have Hailey Erwin become the new medical provider. Ms. Erwin will be compensated \$500 monthly. No discussion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hughes offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Hicks, to authorize the agreement for the new jail medical provider to be executed by the president, Mrs. Sanders. No discussion. Motion carried.

Mrs. Sanders appointed Mr. Hicks to be the local Industrial Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Program (ITEP) Committee point of Contact.

Ms. X. Bell addressed the Jury regarding an effort to help organize the resources in Tallulah to build a capacity for change. She also requested support from the Jury for the Juneteenth celebration.

During public comment, the following individuals addressed the Jury:

- F. Williams regarding sewer problems on the fairground;
- C. Lewis regarding water backup on LaSalle Street;
- L. Brandley requesting the jury to change the meeting time; and
- T. Mitchell the prioritization of road repairs.

There was no discussion of correspondence.

Mr. Hughes offered a motion to adjourn.

/s/ Margaret Dew
Secretary/Treasurer

/s/ Jane Sanders
President