

The regular meeting of the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury was called to order on April 2, 2018, at 6:00 P.M. by Mr. Louis Kent, President. Mr. Dwight Hill offered an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Michael Cheatham.

The roll was called by the Secretary, Mrs. Yamesha Harris and the following jurors were present: Mr. Louis Kent, Mr. Keith Mills, Mr. Glen Kent, Mr. Edward Brooks, Mr. Jason McCray, Mr. Michael Cheatham, Mr. Dwight Hill and Mr. Sean Smith.

A motion was made by Mr. Edward Brooks, seconded by Mr. Jason McCray to approve the agenda and move the visitors up. This motion passed unanimously without comment.

Mrs. Madeleine Brumley a representative from The Laborde Earles Law Firm addressed the jury and gave information on the opioid litigations. Mrs. Brumley explained to the jury, the Laborde Earles Law Firm represents sheriffs in parishes around the state in filing litigation lawsuits against manufacturers and distributors of opioid pain medication. Mrs. Brumley also gave the jury examples of how the monies can be used if the jury decides to file a litigation lawsuit. Mr. Dwight Hill asked if these are class action lawsuits and how long would the litigation process take. Mrs. Brumley explained it is not a class action lawsuit, but is as expedient as a class action lawsuit, because not every plaintiff has to spend the same money to explain facts that are the same in all cases. Mrs. Brumley also explained the judge has been very aggressive with pushing settlements. Mr. Dwight Hill then asked Mrs. Brumley what is the law firm's fee. Mrs. Brumley explained, the law firm will take on all filing fees and is paid through a percentage of what the parish may recover. If the parish does not recover any money, the parish is not obligated to pay anything. Mr. Jason McCray asked if the parish recovered \$100,000,000 what percentage would that law firm receive. Mr. Brumley answered saying the law firm would receive 25%. Mrs. Brumley explained any money recovered for a parish up to ten million dollars, the law firm receives 25%, any money recovered between ten million and twenty million dollars, the law firm would receive 20%. Mrs. Brumley informed the jury the percentage will tier down from there. Mr. Louis Kent asked has anyone from the law firm spoke with East Feliciana's Sheriff yet. Mrs. Brumley replied no, but she would love to.

Administrative Comments were as follows:

- Parish Manager Sonya Crowe informed the jury that she has spoken with an engineer and would meet on getting repairs done on Patterson Cemetery Road. The engineer will review the correspondence, work orders, and pictures. After reviewing, he will decide if an H&H Study is needed or just a suggested scope of work.

A motion was made by Mr. Sean Smith, seconded by Mr. Jason McCray to accept the Executive and Finance Committee recommendation to renew proposal #1 from AMGUARD in the amount of \$99,147.00 for General Liability, Public Officials Liability, and Excess Liability and to refuse terrorism coverage. This motion passed unanimously. Parish Manager Sonya Crowe explained to the jurors that the difference in the two proposals is that one proposal offered an installment plan.

A motion was made by Mr. Dwight Hill, seconded by Mr. Glen Kent to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2018 Public Hearing. This motion passed unanimously without comment.

A motion was made by Mr. Glen Kent, seconded by Mr. Michael Cheatham to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2018 Regular Meeting. This motion passed unanimously without comment.

A motion was made by Mr. Glen Kent, seconded by Mr. Sean Smith to approve the 2015 ICC Building Code with amendments. This motion passed unanimously. Mr. Larry Thompson addressed the jury, giving information on the new 2015 ICC Building Code Updates. Mr. Larry Thompson also informed jurors the ICC Building Code is state mandated.

A motion was made by Mr. Dwight Hill, seconded by Mr. Michael Cheatham to approve the monthly invoices. This motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Glen Kent explained, the Personnel Committee was asked at the last meeting to review the probationary period policy in the personnel manual. Mr. Glen Kent informed the jury he has spoken with the Parish Manager and all Personnel Committee Members. They have decided to wait until the entire personnel code is complete before taking any action on changing the policy. Mr. Glen Kent added Parish Manager Sonya Crowe is working diligently on updating the personnel manual and there was no formal meeting of the committee, he spoke with members over the phone individually.

Mr. Jason McCray asked that the DPW Committee members see him after the meeting. He would like to schedule a committee meeting for Wednesday but he would need to check with Mr. Jody Moreau to see if he can attend.

A motion was made by Mr. Sean Smith, seconded by Mr. Dwight Hill to accept the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission to approve maps "a-e". Map "a" would be approved pending a signature for Mr. Brian Hurst, the Parish Sanitarian. Mr. Glen Kent explained item "a" under Planning and Zoning Commission is a situation where four lots and one servitude was created. Mr. Glen Kent explained that Mr. Kirby is asking for a variance to take out three acres to provide assistance and help for his parents. Mr. Glen Kent recommended that the jury allow the variance. Mr. Glen Kent also asked that Mr. Kirby at some point consider going back to the Planning and Zoning Commission to reform that one lot. Mr. Glen Kent explained this is not a requirement but he would like him to consider. Mr. Kirby explained he is only doing this for financial purposes and it would be hard to keep his parents' home if it is not approved. Mr. Jason McCray explained he does not have a problem with helping Mr. Kirby, as the jury is here to help, but the jury must be gracious and help others that may come after Mr. Kirby. Mr. Dwight Hill asked if a public hearing has to be held. Parish Manager Sonya Crowe added the Parish Ordinance reads any variance shall require concurrence of the Commission, Parish Sanitarian, Parish Engineer, and 2/3 majority of the Jury. Mr. Glen Kent stated hopefully the Planning and Zoning Commission will make sure all items are met before it final approval. After discussion between the jurors, this motion passed unanimously.

- (a) Recommend approval on variance for Michael E. Kirby.
- (b) Recommend approval on Michael E. Kirby & Shellie G. Kirby plat contingent on approval of variance (item a); David A. Waitz Engineering & Surveying, Inc.; James M. Templeton, Surveyor
- (c) Recommend approval on Calvin Sagely Construction, LLC plat; Moody Professional Land Surveying, Inc.; Lamon L. Moody, Surveyor
- (d) Recommend approval on Rodricka Davis plat; Louisiana Land Surveying, Inc.; Curtis M. Chaney, Surveyor
- (e) Recommend approval on Kristen Dominique & Ricky Davis plat; NTB Associates, Inc. Surveyors & Engineers; Michael Joseph King, Surveyor

Parish Manager Sonya Crowe from the East Feliciana Chamber Commerce thanked District Attorney Sam D'Aquilla with his help at the Chamber Golf Tournament.

Mrs. Shirley Anderson from Keep East Feliciana Beautiful explained she was disappointed that more leaders did not show up for the Leaders Against Litter Campaign. Mrs. Anderson also informed the jury that Keep East Feliciana Beautiful would lose one of their members. Keep East Feliciana Beautiful is working with Mrs. Mary Jo Salmon to have signs painted with a glossy finish to distribute Mrs. Anderson also informed the jury that Dr. Michaela Wells is working on a Community Help Grant to put recycling bins out.

No public comments

A motion was made by Mr. Glen Kent, seconded by Mr. Jason McCray to adjourn.

Yamesha Harris, Secretary

Louis Kent, Parish President