

The regular meeting of the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury was called to order on July 17, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. by Police Jury Vice President Chrissie O'Quin. Opening prayer was offered by Vice President O'Quin and the Pledge of Allegiance was then led by Mr. Kyle Fleniken.

The roll was called by Miss Kelsey Scales and the following jurors were present: Mr. Michael Cheatham, Mr. Kyle Fleniken, Mr. Chris Hall, Mr. Ronald Johnson, Mr. Jason McCray, Mr. Richard Oliveaux, and Dr. Chrissie O'Quin. President Louis Kent and Mr. Keith Mills were absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Johnson, seconded by Mr. Jason McCray to approve the agenda with an addition to adopt minutes from the July 3, 2023 Public Hearing. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Johnson, seconded by Mr. Michael Cheatham to adopt minutes from the July 3, 2023 Public Hearing. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Jason McCray, seconded by Mr. Ronald Johnson to adopt minutes from the July 3, 2023 Regular Meeting. Motion passed

A notice to consider adoption of a resolution ordering and calling an election to authorize renewal of sales and use taxes and the renewal of an ad valorem tax therein was read aloud by Miss Kelsey Scales.

Announcement of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at its regular meeting place, the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, 12064 Marston Street, Clinton, Louisiana, the Police Jury of the Parish of East Feliciana, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the Parish of East Feliciana, State of Louisiana to authorize the renewal of sales and use taxes and the renewal of an ad valorem tax therein.

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Richard Oliveaux to approve engagement let with Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC for 2023 Financial & Compliance and Agreed Upon Procedures Audit. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Richard Oliveaux to adopt ordinance to ban sale of Kratom in East Feliciana Parish. Motion passed.

***AN ORDINANCE TO BAN SALE OF MITRAGYNA SPECIOSA KORTH also known as
KRATOM***

BE IT ORDAINED by the ***EAST FELICIANA PARISH POLICE JURY***, Parish of East Feliciana, State of Louisiana, in regular session assembled, a proper quorum being there and then assembled on July 17, 2023, that an Ordinance to Ban Sale of Mitragyra Speciosa Korth also known as Kratom is hereby Enacted as follows, to-wit:

A. PURPOSE:

1. The Parish of East Feliciana does hereby and herein declare that the use of MITRAGYNA SPECIOSA KORTH also known as KRATOM has proven to present a very grave and serious health and welfare problem for the citizens, families and children of East Feliciana Parish. Therefore, pursuant the police powers of the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury, it is determined and declared that all reasonable steps should and must be taken to prohibit the sale of MITRAGYNA SPECIOSA KORTH also known as KRATOM within the Parish of East Feliciana, State of Louisiana.

2. The purpose of this Ordinance is to ban the sale of MITRAGYA SPECIOSA KORTH also known as KRATOM and to provide for the enforcement of the same.

B. VIOLATION:

It shall be illegal for any person, legal entity or business to sell MITRAGYNA SPECIOSA KORTH also known as KRATOM within the Parish of East Feliciana.

C. PENALTIES:

1. Whoever violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both.

***LOUIS KENT
PRESIDENT
E. FELICIANA PARISH POLICE JURY***

***YAMESHA HARRIS
PARISH SECRETARY
E. FELICIANA PARISH POLICE JURY***

CERTIFICATE

I, Yamesha Harris, Parish Secretary of the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury in Regular session on the 17th day of July 2023, at which a quorum was present.

A motion was made by Mr. Richard Oliveaux, seconded by Mr. Michael Cheatham to approve amendment to MOU with East Feliciana Parish Drug Council to provide office space and accommodations at the Health Unit. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Richard Oliveaux to approve variance request from Jason Parker to live in an RV at 5933 Line Road for 12 months. Motion passed

Discussion on repairs to Midway Road

Discussion on installing a gate to stop dumping on Simmons Lane. Mr. Ted Johnson addressed the Jury with a request to install a gate on Simmons Lane to stop dumping and illegal activities. The Jury and District Attorney D'Aquila explained that if a gate were installed on Simmons Lane the Police Jury would no longer be responsible for maintenance Simmons Lane is a public road.

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Richard Oliveaux to approve monthly invoices. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Kyle Fleniken to approve quote from Civil Construction, LLC for \$46,000.00 to repair Bennett Road Bridge. Motion passed. Jurors were informed that the timber bridge on Carruth Road was closed today.

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Ronald Johnson to allow monthly transfer not to exceed \$5,000.00 from General Fund to Criminal Court Fund. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Kyle Fleniken to transfer \$1,425,000.00 from Road & Bridge to Solid Waste as payment to debt service balance. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Jason McCray to transfer \$500,000.00 from Road & Bridge to General Fund as repayment. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Jason McCray to transfer \$500,000.00 from General Fund to Solid Waste as payment of debt services. Motion passed

No action was taken on item to postpone overlay project

A motion was made by Mr. Chris Hall, seconded by Mr. Richard Oliveaux to postpone advertising for Treasurer's position. Motion passed

A motion was made by Mr. Richard Oliveaux, seconded by Mr. Ronald Johnson to accept \$170,000.00 bid from Julie D'Aquila to purchase property at 12320 St. Helena Street. Motion passed. There was only one bid on the property and the Police Jury paid \$125,000.00 at their time of purchase.

Administrative Comments were as follows:

- Interim Parish Manager announced Narcan is available at the Health Unit
- Interim Parish Manager announced Covid test are available at the Health Unit

- Interim Parish Manager announced WIC numbers have increased because of the decrease in SNAP benefits. Anyone that would like to sign up for WIC please contact the Health Unit at 225.683.8577
- Mr. Kyle Fleniken gave an update

Public Comments were as follows:

- John Rouchon addressed the Jury on the decision to not recommend anyone that was interviewed to be hired as Parish Manager

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Johnson, seconded by Mr. Jason McCray to adjourn.

Yamesha Harris, Parish Secretary

Louis Kent, Police Jury President