

The regular meeting of the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury was called to order on July 21, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. by Police Jury President Louis Kent. Opening prayer was offered by President Kent and the Pledge of Allegiance was then led by Juror Kristin Chasteen.

The roll was called by Secretary Treasurer Yamesha Harris and the following jurors were present: Juror Dexter Armstead, Juror Kristin Chasteen, Juror Michael Cheatham, Juror Kyle Fleniken, President Louis Kent, Juror Jason McCray, Juror Keith Mills, Juror Richard Oliveaux, and Vice President Chrissie O'Quin.

A motion was made by Juror Jason McCray, seconded by Juror Michael Cheatham to approve the agenda with a deletion of item 5 under new business and move the visitors up. This motion passed unanimously.

5) Discuss/Take action, if necessary, on request to have a car show (Lionel Lloyd)

A motion was made by Juror Keith Mills, seconded by Juror Jason McCray to adopt minutes from the July 7, 2025 Regular Meeting. Motion passed

A motion was made by Juror Keith Mills, seconded by Juror Dexter Armstead to approve amendment to the Elos contract date for LWI to reflect the date work began. Motion passed

A motion was made by Juror Jason McCray, seconded by Juror Dexter Armstead to approve amendment to the PEC contract date for LWI to reflect the date work began. Motion passed

A motion was made by Vice President Chrissie O'Quin, seconded by Juror Michael Cheatham to reappoint Kevin Garig as the fire district representative on the EF Communications Board. Juror Kristin Chasteen abstained. Motion passed

A motion was made by Juror Keith Mills, seconded by Juror Michael Cheatham to appoint Justin Nevels as the town law enforcement representative for the EF Communications Board. Juror Kristin Chasteen abstained. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Juror Kristin Chasteen, seconded by Vice President Chrissie O'Quin to adopt a Memorial Resolution for past juror Francis Hunt. Motion passed

Vice President Chrissie O'Quin informed the Jury that Police Jury supervisors will begin working on an across-the-board procedure that will detail the process when hiring new employees.

A motion was made by Juror Keith Mills, seconded by Juror Jason McCray to approve change in employment status for Jakori Lewis to permanent with a step increase. Motion passed

Vice President Chrissie O'Quin commended DPW Director Hill on connecting with LTAP to provide free training to his department on pavement preservation and road maintenance

A motion was made by Juror Richard Oliveaux, seconded by Juror Michael Cheatham to approve monthly invoices. Motion passed

A motion was made by Juror Jason McCray, seconded by Juror Dexter Armstead to hire Tonya Knost as Senior Permit Technician at step 10. Motion passed

Finance Chairman Kyle Fleniken informed the Jury that a vehicle tax will apply to all employees who utilize a governmental vehicle to travel back and forth from their domicile to work. Those affected must submit their usage by the end of this calendar year.

A motion was made by Juror Keith Mills, seconded by Vice President Chrissie O'Quin to approve quote #3813 in the amount of \$11,833.00 from LA Central Roofing and Sheet Metal for repairs to the gutters at the Health Unit. Motion passed

Public Works & Equipment Chairman Jason McCray asked for an update on DPW equipment.

Buildings & Properties Chairman Dexter Armstead gave an update on removal and repairs to the gutters at the Health Unit. Chairman Armstead also informed the Jury of upcoming updates to MLK Park in McManus.

Administrative Comments and Treasurer Reports were as follows:

- Updates on PA Grants and Hazard Mitigation Projects were provided by Kaitlyn Bercegeay and Director Darryl Buhler
- The Finance Department is transitioning from QuickBooks to Intacct. A second training course will be held on July 22.
- Engineering packets are due by 10am on July 23, the Finance Committee will meet to score and bring a recommendation to the full Jury at the August 4 regular meeting
- Parish Secretary will work with Faulk & Winkler to schedule a date to meet with remaining outside entities on budgets and CEA.
- Rededication to the Health Unit proposition will appear on the October 11 ballot. This is not a new tax. The approximate cost for the election is \$38,200.00
- The Health Unit will host their annual baby shower for expecting and breast-feeding moms on August 27 in recognition of Breastfeeding Awareness Month. Must be a WIC participant to participate
- Parish Secretary will work with the Chairman of both the Public Works and Building Committee to schedule a meeting date before the second meeting in August

Public Comments were as follows:

- Juror Dexter Armstead commended Deputy Director Kelvin Johnson on a job well done and asked that DPW keep up the good work
- Juror Dexter Armstead mentioned Line Road may potentially become a hot spot during repairs to Highway 68
- Vice President Chrissie O'Quin informed all that she received a thank you for the great job done to the gravel part of Gross Road

A motion was made by Juror Keith Mills, seconded by Juror Dexter Armstead to adjourn.

Yamesha Harris, Parish Secretary

Louis Kent, Police Jury President