

State of Louisiana  
Parish of Vernon



**VERNON PARISH POLICE JURY  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024  
10:00 AM**

**PARISH GOV'T COMPLEX BUILDING  
300 S. 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR  
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**AGENDA**

*If any person not attending the meeting desires to submit comments on any item(s) listed on the meeting agenda, they may submit their comment(s) no later than 8:00 a.m. on Monday, November 18, 2024. Comments may be submitted as follows:*

- *Via email to [vppj@vppjla.com](mailto:vppj@vppjla.com)*
- *Via fax at 337-238-0240*
- *Drop off written comments at the Parish Government Complex Building*

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Visitors
6. Public Comment
7. Committee Reports:
  1. Capital Properties
  2. Econ. Development & Planning
  3. Equipment
  4. Finance
  5. Fire Protection and Solid Waste
  6. Permit & Claims
  7. Personnel
  8. Road Maintenance & Construction
  9. Veterans Affairs
  10. Ways & Means
  11. Wildlife & Lakes
8. The Vernon Parish Police Jury has been monitoring the situation regarding Carbon Sequestration since we were made aware of the plans to place CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells in our parish. Vernon Parish residents have expressed their concerns regarding the test wells and

potential injection sites, and the potential impacts that CO2 sequestration may have on their land, their mineral rights, to our water aquifer, and to future economic impacts in the parish. The jury has, and continues, to ask questions regarding the safety, environmental impacts, and other impacts to residents that may or may not occur with carbon sequestration. In order to address these concerns, and get answers to as many questions as possible, the jury has implemented the following:

- In May the jury passed a resolution requesting Information and Time for Evaluation from the State of Louisiana prior to the issuance of any permits for Class 6 Injection Wells in the parish
- In August the President of the jury created the Carbon Sequestration Committee
- In August the jury authorized to join other parish police juries in the creation of the Louisiana CO2 Alliance

In further commitment and responsibly to the residents of this parish, motion to adopt a resolution in objection to Carbon Sequestration until there is a better understanding of the potential negative, or positive, impacts to our parish and its residents.

9. Motion to adopt a resolution approving and accepting Equipment Lease – Purchase Agreement between Cadence Bank and the Vernon Parish Police Jury to finance (1) one new 2025 HV607 SBA International Dump Truck (HV607) (\$181,374.62) for District 3 and to authorize the President to execute the agreement, and any other contracts or documents, on behalf of the jury. **(ROLL CALL)**
10. Motion to adopt a resolution approving and accepting Equipment Lease – Purchase Agreement between Cadence Bank and the Vernon Parish Police Jury to finance (1) one John Deere 6105E Cab Tractor (\$79,873.78) and (1) one Diamond DBM-C-N Boom Mower from Goldman Equipment (\$74,449.00) for District 1, 4, 8, 9 and to authorize the President to execute the agreement, and any other contracts or documents, on behalf of the jury. **(ROLL CALL)**
11. Motion to adopt a resolution approving and accepting Equipment Lease – Purchase Agreement between Cadence Bank and the Vernon Parish Police Jury to finance (1) one new 2023 HV607 SBA International Dump Truck (HV607) (\$134,400.16) for District 6 and to authorize the President to execute the agreement, and any other contracts or documents, on behalf of the jury. **(ROLL CALL)**
12. Motion to adopt a resolution approving and accepting Equipment Lease – Purchase Agreement between Cadence Bank and the Vernon Parish Police Jury to finance (1) one new 2023 HV607 SBA International Dump Truck (\$134,400.16) for District 7 and to authorize the President to execute the agreement, and any other contracts or documents, on behalf of the jury. **(ROLL CALL)**

13. Motion to adopt an ordinance to abandon Lynn Nash Road (#3020), District 3 Ward 3 in its entirety. This road is no longer needed for a public purpose, all residents of the road were bought out during the flood acquisition project. Public hearing was advertised and held on September 16, 2024. **(ROLL CALL)**
14. Motion to adopt memorial resolutions for the following community members: Mr. Roy Thompson, Mr. Robert Kite, Mr. Issac “Ike” Roberts, Mrs. Brenda White, Mr. Matt Williams, Mrs. Deirdre Calcote, Mr. Glen Thomas, Mrs. Joyce Rose Simmons.
15. Motion to authorize payment of all invoices as authorized by the Finance Committee and authorize payment of all expenditures above the budgeted amount from Ward Maintenance and/or Construction accounts.
16. Motion to adjourn.

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