

PUBLIC NOTICES

**VILLAGE OF SICILY ISLAND
REGULAR TOWN MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 2021**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Village of Sicily Island met in regular session on Thursday, OCTOBER 14, 2021 at the Sicily Island Police Station, 603 Newman Street, at 5:00 p.m. to hold the regular town meeting.

Present: Mayor Walter Krause, Alderman Derrick Frazier, Alderman Mark Krause, Alderwoman Emma Hilliard, Town Clerk Ramona Dunbar, Asst. Town Clerk Shirley Cooper, Asst. Chief Gary Vines, Attorney Thomas Enright and Town Employee Ulysses Finister.

Absent: Police Chief Paul Jackson, Fire Chief/ Water Superintendent Arte Goode, Officer Billy Fletcher, and Officer Chris Ahmed.

There being a quorum the meeting was called to order by Mayor Krause.

Invocation was given by Alderwoman Hilliard, followed with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderman Krause.

Motion to accept the agenda as presented was made by Alderman Krause, seconded by Alderwoman Hilliard.

Motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Alderwoman Hilliard, seconded by Alderman Krause.

Utility Report: Discussed purchase of tractor for the street dept. Town employee U.L. made a suggestion that town acquire an automatic tractor, instead of a manual one, because some of the town employees are not yet familiar with the use of a manual tractor and it will eliminate the repairs, if this purchase is made. The Mayor and council discussed the purchase of a new tractor and decided that when the town is financially able to purchase the tractor that they were all in agreement with the purchase of a new one.

The Council and the Mayor also discussed returning the sanitation fee back to the utility bills, but upon further discussion and taking into consideration how it would affect the residents, they all were in agreement of not returning the fee back to the bill and for everything to remain the same.

The Board also discussed getting cement or reclaim to fill in holes on Highland Street

Police Report: Discussed tickets collected, tickets issued and discussed the police dept. monthly expenses and how the dept could generate more money into their department. The council and Mayor inform the clerks that they would like for them to connect back with AMS to start collecting past due tickets.

Fire Report: No Fire Report

Citizen's Participation: There was no public present at the time of the meeting.

Old Business: Discussed Salary for town clerk, which was tabled until next town meeting. Also discussed the update on premium pay for employees, where Attorney Thomas Enright stated that he had spoken with Attorney General and said they were working to notify municipalities of who is qualified for premium pay and how it should be distributed. He said he do know that the town employees could receive it, but the board was in question. Attorney Enright said it will be a few more weeks, before he will have an answer for the board.

New Business: No new business

With no further business to discuss, motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Frazier seconded by Alderwoman Hilliard, all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

**WALTER KRAUSE, MAYOR
RAMONA DUNBAR, TOWN CLERK**

**VOTING PRECINCT LOCATIONS
November 13, 2021 ELECTIONS
CATAHOULA PARISH**

WARD	PRECINCT	LOCATION
01	01	MAITLAND RECREATION CENTER
01	02	CATAHOULA PARISH LIBRARY (SICILY ISLAND)
01	03	CATAHOULA PARISH COURTHOUSE
01	04	WOODMEN OF THE WORLD LODGE
02	01	SICILY ISLAND TOWN HALL
02	02	LELAND FIRE DEPARTMENT
03	01	ENTERPRISE FIRE STATION
03	02	MANIFEST COMMUNITY CENTER
03	03	CATAHOULA PARISH COURTHOUSE
03	04	CATAHOULA PARISH COURTHOUSE
04	01	HARRISONBURG TOWN HALL
04	02	CATAHOULA PARISH COURTHOUSE
05	01	WOODMEN OF THE WORLD LODGE
06	01	WOODMEN OF THE WORLD LODGE
06	02	RAY COOPER RESIDENCE
06	03	BLOCK HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
06	05	BLOCK HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
07	01	JONESVILLE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
07	03	BLOCK HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
07	05	BLOCK HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
08	01	BLOCK HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
09	01	PARHAMS FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING
09	02	LA DELTA PLANTATION
09	03	CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
09	04	BLOCK HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS

Jack F. Owens, Paul Lemke, Margie Doshier Bass, Donna H. Rutledge, Larissa H. Field

**TOWN OF JONESVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
104 LILLY STREET
JONESVILLE LA 71343
SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

On September 14, 2021, a regular council meeting was held at the Town hall in the meeting room. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hiram Evans. Roll call by Anlyne Gardner, Town Clerk. Present were Council Members: Benny Vault Sr., Bruce Lofton, Josie Bullitts, Catina Branch and Loria Hollins. Also present was the town attorney Russell Purvis. Dona Manuel, CPA was on via phone during the meeting to present her report and answer any questions needed.

The Invocation was given by Council Bruce Lofton and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Richard Madison.

Mayor Evans called for any person(s) to identify themselves and the agenda item(s) in which they would like to comment in accordance with Act 850 of 2010: Three people were identified to speak: Tamiko Bloodsaw, Trish Hill and Tony Stevenson.

Motion was made by Council member Bruce Lofton and second by Council Benny Vault Sr. for the approval of the minutes for August 12, 2021, regular meeting. Motion was made by Council Catina Branch and second by Council Loria Hollins for the approval of the minutes for August 25, 2021, special meeting. Motion was made by Council Loria Hollins and second Bruce Lofton for the approval of the minutes for the August 31, 2021, public hearing. Motions carried.

Motion was made by Council Loria Hollins and second by Council Catina Branch to approve the monthly bills.

Motion was carried.

Recognition of visitors-delegators:

JCP report was given by Canaan Cotten, for JCP Management, Third party Management for the water and sewer department for the Town of Jonesville

Dona Manuel (CPA) of Knight Masden, Accounting gives report for the Town of Jonesville financials.

Motion was made by Council Loria Hollins and second by Council Bruce Lofton to amend the original agreement between the Town of Jonesville and the Catahoula Economic Development & Industrial Development District in permitting the group the use of the facility at 402 Third Street, Jonesville LA 71343, for 20 years. Motion was carried

Virginia Holmes gave report regarding the efforts to initiate broadband services to the town and surrounding communities.

A public hearing has been set for October 12, 2021 @ 5:30 P.M. to hear Ms. Trish Hill request to open a coffee/bakery shop @ 804 6th Street, Jonesville LA 71343.

Mayor Evans informed the council that the Town of Jonesville will be applying for the Love Louisiana Outdoors/Park/Recreation Grant.

Mayor Evans updated the council on calls he made to DEQ, regarding the houses that have been demolished and left on properties.

Motion was made by Council Bruce Lofton and second by Council Loria Hollins to adopt a resolution to the Louisiana Division of Administration for FY-2022-23 Capital Outlay request for funding improvements for the Jonesville National Guard Building. Motion was carried.

Motion was made by Council Loria Hollins and second by Council Benny Vault Sr. to have Bryant Hammett & Associates to prepare and submit the 2022-23 Capital Outlay request for improvements for the Jonesville National Guard Building. Motion was carried.

Motion was made by Council Bruce Lofton and second by Council Loria Hollins to confirm the acceptance for the services from Knight Masden, a professional accounting corporation for the Town of Jonesville for the year ending June 30, 2022. Motion was carried.

Motion was made by Council Bruce Lofton and second by Council Benny Vault Sr. to introduce an Ordinance #TOJ0914-21 to the Town of Jonesville FY 2021-22 budget to add an approximate \$50,000.00 Louisiana State Line-item appropriation provided during the 2021 legislative session. The \$50,000.00 is to be used by the town to purchase a tractor. Motion was carried.

Motion was made by Council and second by Council Benny Vault Sr. to conduct a public hearing to discuss the Ordinance #0608-21A to amend the Town of Jonesville FY2021-22 budget to add an approximate \$50,000.00 Louisiana State Line-item appropriation provided during the 2021 legislative session. That is to be used for the purchase of a tractor for use in the public works department, for grass cutting, moving of debris, and loading of materials and other needs as is necessary in the public works department. PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR OCTOBER 12, 2021 @5:45P.M. Motion was carried.

Chief of Police Richard Madison gave his monthly report. Requesting more staff for his department

Superintendent Roger Jones presented council with his written report. Requesting more staff for his department. Council Members:

Council Benny Vault Sr. stated that his concerns for the ditches in his district had been taken care of already.

Council Bruce Lofton stated that Chief Madison and Superintendent Jones had taken care of the speedbump in front of the home of Mike Bennett.

Council Bullitts stated she had nothing.

Motion by Council Loria Hollins and second by Council Josie Bullitts to add to the agenda steps on providing the employees with a stipend from the ARPA funds that have been awarded to the Town of Jonesville. Motion was carried.

Motion by Council Loria Hollins and second by Council Josie Bullitts and Council Catina Branch to take the steps on providing assistance the employees of the Town of Jonesville a stipend from the ARPA funds. Motion was carried.

Attorney report by Russell Purvis:

- Execution of the FAA grant for the Jonesville Airport
- Mayor Evans Reports:
 - Police Enforcement
 - Front Street & Airport Rd procurement
 - Glenn Ditch Pumping Station

Motion for adjournment by Council Josie Bullitts and second by Council Benny Vault Sr. Motion was carried.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Monday, November 8, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. during the Regular Meeting of the Catahoula Parish Police Jury, 301 Bushley Street, Room 104, Harrisonburg, LA 71340 to discuss the adoption of a roadway regulation ordinance.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend and express any views or comments.

**Patti C. Mizell
Secretary/Treasurer
Catahoula Parish Police Jury**

**Regular Meeting
October 11, 2021
Harrisonburg, LA 71340**

The Police Jury of the Parish of Catahoula, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room at the Courthouse, on Monday, October 11, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

Present: President Harold Sones, Vice President Jerel Evans and Jurors Brady Nelson, Deborah McCormack, Rodney Sones, Jeffery Estes, Debra Hawkins, Rickie Crumpton and Johnnie Adams; Secretary/Treasurer Patti C. Mizell, Assistant Secretary Frankie Tolar and Hard surface Supervisor Charles Atkins.

Absent: None

A quorum being present, the Police Jury of the Parish of Catahoula, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the governing authority of said parish by President Harold Sones, who called upon Juror Rodney Sones for Prayer, and requested that the Jurors and the public remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance after which the

following business was transacted.

On motion by Rodney Sones, seconded by Rickie Crumpton and unanimously passed, the Jury voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and adopt same as published in the Official Journal.

On motion by Deborah McCormack, seconded by Jeffery Estes and unanimously passed, the Jury voted to approve the agenda.

President Sones opened the floor for public comments on Agenda items. There were no comments.

Mason Grande, Rocket Net, LLC, spoke to the Jury on the state broadband initiative to expand broadband services in rural Louisiana. The state currently has grant money through the GUMBO project for providers of broadband services. This grant requires a 20% match. Parishes are able to use federal grant dollars to provide this match to the provider. Rocket Net is asking the Jury to consider entering into an Operating Endeavor Agreement to provide matching funds. Further discussion was held, but no action was taken.

On a motion by Debra Hawkins, seconded by Rodney Sones and unanimously passed the Jury voted to authorize payment of current invoices authorized by the Finance Committee.

On a motion by Jerel Evans, seconded by Jeffery Estes and unanimously passed, the Jury voted to approve the following deletions to the Selective Maintenance List.

Additions:

Area III	
Tew Lake Road	Bush Hog
Wyant Road	Bush Hog
Old Jena Road	Bush Hog
Old Columbia Road	Bush Hog
Green Creek Road	Grading
Fire Tower Road	Grading
Spring Ridge Road	Grading
Red Cut Road	Grading
Old Columbia Road	Grading

On motion by Jerel Evans, seconded by Debra Hawkins and unanimously passed, the Jury voted to set a Public Hearing on November 8, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. during the Regular Meeting of the Catahoula Parish Police Jury, 301 Bushley Street, Room 104, Harrisonburg, LA 71340 to consider adoption of a roadway regulation ordinance.

On motion by Johnnie Adams, seconded by Rodney Sones and unanimously passed, the Jury voted to cancel the Town of Jonesville HMGP Drain Pump Station project (13PARA3409) as a primary project under the CDBG-DR funding and transfer all remaining funds to unallocated. Remaining unallocated funds to be transferred to a new primary project for generator construction.

Item #11 – Accept servitude for Fish Market Road relocation – was tabled until next meeting.

On motion by Brady Nelson, seconded by Deborah McCormack and unanimously passed, the Jury approved 200 yards of pit run for Big A Plenty Road.

On motion by Brady Nelson, seconded by Jeffery Estes and unanimously passed, the Jury approved 60 yards of pit run for Doty Road.

On motion by Jerel Evans, seconded by Brady Nelson and unanimously passed, the Jury approved 50 yards of pit run for Bend Road.

On motion by Jerel Evans, seconded by Brady Nelson and unanimously passed, the Jury approved the following appointments to the Catahoula Parish Hospital District #2 Board:

- Arte Good – 4 years (expires 2025)
- Donald Money – 2 years (expires 2023)
- U. L. Finister – 2 years (expires 2023)

The Jury was presented financial reports which included budget to actual figures.

Juror Jerel Evans stated his appreciation to the parish maintenance barn workers for their work on the recent cave off of Bend Road. All of the Jurors stated appreciation for all of the good work they are doing.

On motion by Jerel Evans, seconded by Brady Nelson and unanimously passed, the Jury voted there being no further business to adjourn.

**Harold Sones, President
Patti C. Mizell, Secretary
Catahoula Parish Police Jury**

Nebo Water System
Invitation for Bids for Used Equipment

Nebo Water System will be accepting sealed bids for used/surplus equipment. Available equipment includes the following.

EQUIPMENT DETAILS	OPENING/MINIMUM BID
TAYLOR GS 60 GENERATOR (3 PHASE, 120/240 VOLTAGE, 54KW, 1432 HOURS OF RUN TIME), AUTO TRANSFER SWITCH, 21" L X12" W X8" H METAL SHED/AWNING – SOLD AS ONE BUNDLE	\$7,500
12' X 20' PORTABLE STORAGE BUILDING (FINISHED INTERIOR WITH WIRING AND WINDOW UNIT) *BUILDING HAS NO RESTROOM	\$2,500

Bidders may bid on equipment as grouped in the description above. Equipment may be viewed by appointment by contacting Canaan Cotten at 318-744-0308.

To be considered, please submit **sealed** bids to our office (119 Pine Street Harrisonburg, La 71340) no later than 5 PM November 9, 2021 or submit at the board of directors meeting at 6 PM on November 9, 2021 located at 2200 Nebo/Belah Road Jena, La 71342.

Sealed bids will be opened publicly by the Nebo Water System Board of Directors at that time. Please note, any bids made for less than the above-mentioned opening/minimum bid amount will not be considered. Payments accepted from the highest bidder must be in the form of a cashier's check from his or her financial institution. If you should have any questions, please contact our office at 318-744-0308.

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