

November 19, 2025

On Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., the Police Jury of Sabine Parish, State of Louisiana met in open and regular session.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Prayer
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Amend the Agenda
6. Adopt the Agenda
7. Public Comments
8. Senator Alan Seabaugh
9. Representative Rodney Schamerhorn
10. Representative Larry Bagley
11. Planning Commission
12. Accept the Minutes of the Previous Regular Meeting Held October 15, 2025
13. Review and Approve 2026 Library Board Budget
14. Mrs. Cheryl Wooley- Many Chief of Police- Request for Funding from the Opioid Abatement Fund
15. Mr. Danny Asbell –Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board-Provide Monthly Report
16. Re-appoint Danny Asbell as Commissioner of the Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board
17. Re-appoint Pricilla Wolf and Blake Byles as Commissioners for the Sabine Parish Communications District (E-911)
- 17a. Appoint Dr. Valerie Salter as a Commissioner for the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission
18. Introduce an Ordinance Merging Certain Precincts Containing Less Than 300 Registered Voters and Amending the Territorial Limits and Designations of Those Certain Precincts, in Compliance with Louisiana Revised Statutes, Within the Parish of Sabine, State of Louisiana
19. Ratify Emergency Hiring of Superintendent for the Solid Waste Landfill
20. Authorize Advertising Bid for Inbound Scale for the Solid Waste Landfill
21. Review Bids Received for Materials, Supplies, and Services for 2026 (To be Awarded 12/17/25)
22. Capital Improvement Program Priority List (3 Years – 2026,2027, 2028)- Reminder Only
23. Authorize Payment of Approved Bills
24. Appropriate and Transfer Sales Tax for November Operations (\$500,000)
25. Committee Reports
26. Operations
27. Adjournment

1. Call to Order

President Ricky L. Sepulvado called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called by the Secretary Treasurer. The following jurors were present: Barry Stevens, William E. Ruffin, Ronny Bison, Bruce Taylor, Eric Garcie, Ricky “K-Wall” Sepulvado, Kenny John Remedies, and Randy Byrd.

The following juror was absent:

“Bo” Stewart

3. Prayer

Prayer was led by Mr. William E. Ruffin.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Kenny John Remedies.

5. Amend the Agenda

Public comments on the motion to amend the agenda must be allowed prior to any vote to add an item to the agenda. There were no public comments.

Resolution No. 9881

Motion by Garcie and seconded by Bison to amend the agenda to include the following item:

17a. Appoint Dr. Valerie Salter as a Commissioner for the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

6. Adopt the Agenda

Resolution No. 9882

Motion by Ruffin and seconded by Byrd to adopt the agenda as amended.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

7. Public Comments

Police Jury President, Ricky L. Sepulvado, allowed a period of public comment on any item on the agenda.

Mr. Curtis Giles, MedExpress employee, commented on Agenda Item No 15.- Mr. Danny Asbell –Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board-Provide Monthly Report. He stated that he attended the last EMS Advisory Board meeting and advised the Jury to ensure the citizens of Sabine Parish continue receiving the same ambulance service they are accustomed to after the new service provider assume operations.

8. Senator Alan Seabaugh

No representative from Senator Alan Seabaugh's office was present at the meeting.

9. Representative Rodney Schamerhorn

Ms. Shanna Gaspard, Legislative Assistant to State Representative Rodney Schamerhorn, was present at the meeting and stated that Representative Schamerhorn was hopeful to be in attendance for the next meeting.

10. Representative Larry Bagley

No representative from Representative Larry Bagley's office was present at the meeting.

11. Planning Commission

Mr. Bobby Hughes, Chairman of the Planning Commission, was in attendance and stated there was no report to give at this time.

12. Accept the Minutes of the Previous Regular Meeting Held October 15, 2025

Resolution No. 9883

Motion by Bison and seconded by Taylor to accept the minutes of the previous regular meeting held October 15, 2025.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

13. Review and Approve 2026 Library Board Budget

The Sabine Parish Library Board has presented its Proposed 2026 Budget to the Sabine Parish Police Jury for its review and approval.

Resolution No. 9884

On motion by Stevens and seconded by Taylor:

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Library Board has completed its 2026 Proposed Budget estimating total revenues of \$66,100 and total expenditures of \$804,776 with an estimated deficit of \$738,676 to be paid with existing fund balance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury has reviewed and approves the 2026 Proposed Budget of the Sabine Parish Library Board.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

14. Mrs. Cheryl Wooley- Many Chief of Police- Request for Funding from the Opioid Abatement Fund

Chief Wooley requested that some of the opioid funds be utilized to purchase automated external defibrillators (AEDs) for all municipal police departments in the parish.

Acadian Ambulance Service representatives who were in attendance stated that they would be willing to assist with providing some of the requested AEDs.

15. Mr. Danny Asbell –Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board-Provide Monthly Report

Mr. Danny Asbell, Chairman of the Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board, provided the Jury with a summary of the latest EMS Advisory Board meeting. He said that the EMS Board would be discussing benchmarks for the new ambulance service provider in the upcoming meetings.

16. Re-appoint Danny Asbell as Commissioner of the Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board

The term for Danny Asbell as a commissioner for the Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board will expire on December 3, 2025. The EMS Advisory Board has requested that Mr. Asbell be reappointed as a commissioner.

Resolution No. 9885

Motion by Taylor and seconded by Byrd to reappoint Mr. Danny Asbell as a commissioner of the Sabine Parish EMS Advisory Board for a five-year term ending December 3, 2030.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

17. Re-appoint Pricilla Wolf and Blake Byles as Commissioners for the Sabine Parish Communications District (E-911)

The appointments of Pricilla Wolf and Blake Byles as Commissioners for the Sabine Parish Communications District (E-911) expired on June 18, 2025. The Communications District has requested the Police Jury to reappoint them as commissioners for four-year terms expiring June 18, 2029.

Resolution No. 9886

Motion by Ruffin and seconded by Bison:

WHEREAS, the appointments of Pricilla Wolf and Blake Byles as Commissioners for the Sabine Parish Communications District (E-911) expired on June 18, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Pricilla Wolf and Blake Byles are hereby re-appointed as Commissioners for the Sabine Parish Communications District (E-911) for a four-year term ending June 18, 2029.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

17a. Appoint Dr. Valerie Salter as a Commissioner for the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission

The Sabine Parish Police Jury has received a letter dated November 13, 2025, from the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission providing notification that Mr. Noah Foulks will resign effective November 30, 2025. The Sabine Parish Tourist Commission recommends Dr. Valerie Salter be appointed to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Foulks ending July 14, 2027.

Resolution No. 9887

On motion by Bison and seconded by Ruffin:

WHEREAS, Mr. Noah Foulks will resign from the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission effective November 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission has recommended that Dr. Valerie Salter be appointed as a commissioner to replace Mr. Foulks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dr. Valerie Salter be appointed as a commissioner for the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Foulks ending July 14, 2027.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

18. Introduce an Ordinance Merging Certain Precincts Containing Less Than 300 Registered Voters and Amending the Territorial Limits and Designations of Those Certain Precincts, in Compliance with Louisiana Revised Statutes, Within the Parish of Sabine, State of Louisiana

The Sabine Parish Police Jury desires to adopt an ordinance to merge certain precincts containing less than 300 registered voters and amend the territorial limits and designations of those certain precincts. The first step in this process is introducing an ordinance for this purpose. Secretary Treasurer Weatherford then read the proposed ordinance name aloud.

ORDINANCE NO. 10 of 2025

AN ORDINANCE MERGING CERTAIN PRECINCTS CONTAINING LESS THAN 300 REGISTERED VOTERS AND AMENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS AND DESIGNATIONS OF THOSE CERTAIN PRECINCTS, IN COMPLIANCE WITH LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES, WITHIN THE PARISH OF SABINE, STATE OF LOUISIANA

19. Ratify Emergency Hiring of Superintendent for the Solid Waste Landfill

Mr. Pete Chreene Jr. resigned as Superintendent of the Solid Waste Landfill effective August 26, 2025. He was the only employee of the Sabine Parish Police Jury to hold a Class A Operator's license. The Jury must have an employee with a Class A License to operate the landfill. The opportunity to hire Mr. James "J.C." Holman who holds a Class A Operator's License, arose on October 31, 2025. The Solid Waste Committee unanimously recommended hiring James "J.C" Holman effective November 1, 2025.

Resolution No. 9888

Motion by Remedies and seconded by Byrd:

WHEREAS, Mr. Pete Chreene Jr., Superintendent of the Solid Waste Landfill resigned effective August 26, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the Police Jury must have an employee with a Class A Operator's License to operate the landfill, and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Committee unanimously recommended hiring Mr. James "J.C." Holman as Superintendent of the Solid Waste Landfill effective November 1, 2025, because of the emergency arising because of Mr. Pete Chreene's resignation

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sabine Parish Police Jury hereby ratifies the emergency hiring of Mr. James "J.C." Holman as Superintendent of the Solid Waste Landfill, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Holman will be hired effective November 1, 2025, with an annual salary of \$90,000.00, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Holman will not participate in the STEP Program but will be eligible to participate in all other employee benefits normally offered to Police Jury employees, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Police Jury will provide Mr. Holman with full health insurance coverage should he choose to participate in the Jury's current PPO benefit plan.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

20. Authorize Advertising Bid for Inbound Scale for the Solid Waste Landfill

The current inbound scales located at the Solid Waste Landfill are worn and starting to deteriorate. To continue running efficiently, the Police Jury needs to replace the inbound scales as soon as possible. Replacing the scales will restore continuous inbound/outbound weighing capacity and reduce operational delays at the landfill.

Resolution No. 9889

Motion by Bison and seconded by Remedies:

WHEREAS, the inbound scales located at the Solid Waste Landfill are worn and continue to deteriorate, and

WHEREAS, a new set of inbound scales is needed for the efficient operation of the Solid Waste Landfill,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the purchase of a set of inbound scales installed at the Solid Waste Landfill is hereby authorized, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. James “J.C.” Holman, Solid Waste Landfill Superintendent, and Mr. William Weatherford, Secretary Treasurer, are hereby directed to prepare the specifications for the scales, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary Treasurer is directed to advertise for public bids for the purchase of inbound scales installed and completely ready for operation at the Solid Waste Landfill.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

21. Review Bids Received for Materials, Supplies, and Services for 2026 (To be Awarded 12/17/25)

Sealed bids were accepted until 10:00 a.m. on October 31, 2025, for 2026 materials, supplies, and services at which time they were opened and read aloud. Jurors were provided with a list of the bids for materials, supplies, and services for the year 2026. Bids will be awarded during the next regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, December 17, 2025.

22. Capital Improvement Program Priority List (3 Years – 2026,2027, 2028)- Reminder Only

Jurors were reminded that the Jury needs to adopt a three (3) year Parish Transportation Act Priority List for roads for the years 2026, 2027, and 2028. This must be done prior to January 1, 2026, in order to comply with the Parish Transportation Act.

23. Authorize Payment of Approved Bills

Resolution No. 9890

Motion by Ruffin and seconded by Bison to pay the approved bills.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

24 Appropriate and Transfer Sales Tax for November Operations (\$500,000)

Resolution No. 9891

Motion by Ruffin and seconded by Byrd to appropriate and transfer \$500,000.00 from the Sales Tax Fund to the Parish-wide Transportation Fund for November 2025 operations.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

25. Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

26. Operations

There were no items discussed under “Operations”.

27. Adjournment

Resolution No. 9892

Motion by Ruffin and seconded by Bison to adjourn.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: 8 - Stevens, Ruffin, Taylor, Bison, Garcie, Sepulvado, Remedies, and Byrd

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1- Stewart

s/William E. Weatherford

William E. Weatherford

Secretary Treasurer

s/Ricky L. Sepulvado

Ricky L. Sepulvado

President