

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF WINN
JUNE 15, 2026

The Police Jury of the Parish of Winn, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session at its meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Parish Courthouse, 119 West Main Street, Winnfield, Louisiana, on Monday, June 15, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. (CST), pursuant to the provisions of a written notice given each and every member thereof, and duly posted in the manner required by law. (Note: President does not vote unless a tie)

There were present: Mr. Frank McLaren-President, Mrs. Deionne Carpenter-Vice President, Mr. Stanley Garrett, Mr. Phillip Evans, Mr. Author Robinson, Mr. Darrell Franks and Mr. Kyle Potts.

There were absent: None.

Legal Counsel: None.

President Frank McLaren called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

Invocation was delivered by Mr. Author Robinson. Pledge to the flag was led by Mrs. Deionne Carpenter.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS:

No additions or deletions.

Motion by Mr. Darrell Franks to adopt the agenda. Second by Mrs. Deionne Carpenter. No discussion. Vote taken: 6 yeas. 0 nays. 0 absent. 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Deionne Carpenter to adopt the minutes of May 18, 2026-Regular Meeting and May 28, 2026-Special Called Meeting. Second by Mr. Author Robinson. No discussion. Vote taken: 6 yeas. 0 nays. 0 absent. 1 abstained. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMENTS:

President McLaren calls for any public comments or announcements.

Mr. Gavin Snowden, Operator is present to give a road update. A road maintenance report is in each Jurors packet. Mr. Snowden states that and all graders are operating. They have been installing the new culverts on Mars Hill Church Road.

Mr. Perry Holmes, Road Superintendent is present and addresses the Jury. He states that the letting on the bridge on Harrisonburg Rd has been procured. He adds that there will be a pre-construction meeting in a month or so. He notes the road will have to be closed during the construction process. As to RAC project, Mr. Holmes states that they only have 2 more roads to do on the gravel part. He notes that they hired a pot hole driver last week, have an inmate on a tractor and an inmate doing mechanic work so someone has to stay with him.

GUESTS:

None.

BUSINESS:

Motion by Mrs. Deionne Carpenter to approve the monthly/weekly invoices; as follows:

General Fund	\$ 7,055.16
Road Fund	\$115,890.60
Health Unit	\$ 5,366.26

Sales Tax	\$100,746.98
Library	\$ 3,700.00
Weekly Invoices	<u>\$422,243.15</u>
Grand Total	\$655,002.15

Report includes budget to actual comparisons in all major funds. It is noted the General Fund is showing a deficit for this month due to waiting on reimbursement from Fema on the Hazard Mitigation Grant and also the Road Fund is waiting on Fema and Rac reimbursement. Report is signed by the Bill Approval Committee Mr. Frank McLaren, Mrs. Deionne Carpenter and Mr. Kyle Potts. Second by Mr. Kyle Potts. Vote taken: 6 yeas. 0 nays. 0 absent. 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stanley Garrett to adopt a Resolution to assist the Village of Calvin by filling a mud hole on the South Calvin Road. Second by Mr. Kyle Potts. Vote taken: 6 yeas. 0 nays. 0 absent. 1 abstained. Motion carried.

(Resolution #010 of 2026 attached thereto and made a part of these minutes)

Motion by Mr. Author Robinson to appoint the Winn Parish Enterprise as the official journal of the Winn Parish Police Jury beginning July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027. Second by Mr. Kyle Potts. Vote taken: 6 yeas. 0 nays. 0 absent. 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Deionne Carpenter to award the bid on Capital Outlay Project Eugene Garrett Road (South End) to Regional Construction, LLC in the amount of \$599,597.50, pending approval of Facility, Planning and Control. Second by Mr. Author Robinson. Vote taken: 6 yeas. 0 nays. 0 absent. 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Author Robinson to adopt a Resolution entering an agreement between Capital Area Finance Authority and the Winn Parish Police Jury for allowing down-payment assistance for first time homebuyers and veterans in Winn Parish. Second by Mr. Kyle Potts. Vote taken: 6 yeas. 0 nays. 0 absent. 1 abstained. Motion carried.

(Resolution #011 of 2026 attached thereto and made a part of these minutes)

Motion by Mrs. Deionne Carpenter to move the July Jury Regular Meeting to July 13, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. due to Naco Conference in New Orleans on July 20, 2026. Second by Mr. Kyle Potts. Vote taken: 6 yeas. 0 nays. 0 absent. 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Additional Announcements & Comments:

Mrs. Karen Tyler, Secretary/Treasurer informs the Jury that the Liberty Tree, a live oak tree in a three gallon bucket has been delivered and planted at the Winn Parish Main Branch Library. House Resolution No. 351 introduced by Representative Michael Bayham commends the Sons of the American Revolution for their 250th Liberty Tree Celebration, a five year initiative aimed at planting 250 Liberty Trees across the United States by July 4, 2026. This program seeks to educate the public about the significance of the American Revolution and the sacrifices made for the establishment of the United States. The resolution encourages Louisiana Parishes to participate by planting a Liberty Tree in historically significant locations or in honor of notable American figures, particularly in areas that pay tribute to U.S. military veterans. The trees were provided by the Louisiana Department of agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Dr. Mike Strain DVM.

Mrs. Tyler also presents a list of Fema Roads that have been recently completed and closed out by Fema and the State of Louisiana. She notes there are 3 large projects that she is still waiting on reimbursement but so far the total received is \$3,137,858.73. These road projects were from Hurricane Delta and Hurricane Laura. Also, other projects such as Covid Operations, Debris Removal Parish Wide and Emergency Protective Measures, the Jury received \$3,474,053.65, said projects are also closed out.

Mrs. Tyler notes that the Department of Motor Vehicles has moved to their new location located at 202 W. Court Street on June 1, 2026. She adds that the old DMV office will be used for the Sheriff's office-Investigations. She states that Sheriff McAllister is bearing the cost for changes.

Mrs. Tyler states that Mr. Mike Carpenter is going to Baton Rouge tomorrow to pick up the new litter and no dumping signs that she applied for through the State, at no cost to the Jury.

Mrs. Tyler reads a text message from Deborah Castete, secretary at the Indigent Defender's Office thanking the Jury for the opioid funds.

Juror Stanley Garrett states that the people of Calvin appreciate the moving of the voting booth to the Village of Calvin. He notes that the slab is being poured for the new generator.

Juror Kyle Potts asks if we have heard from an attorney on getting sports betting here in the Parish. Mrs. Tyler states that she has not but will follow up with attorney.

On motion of Mr. Author Robinson and second by Mr. Kyle Potts, President McLaren declared the meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

MR. FRANK MCLAREN, PRESIDENT

ATTEST: _____
KAREN TYLER-SECRETARY/TREASURER