

PROCEEDINGS

CAMERON PARISH POLICE JURY

MARCH 9, 2026

The Cameron Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Monday, March 9, 2026, in the Cameron Parish West Annex Board Room in the Village of Cameron, Louisiana, at 1:04 P.M.

The following members were present: Mr. Michael Fewell, Mr. Magnus McGee, Mr. Wendell Wilkerson, Mr. Ronald Nunez, Jr., Mr. Mark Daigle, Mr. Sam Bordelon, and Mr. Johnny Watson. No member was absent.

There was no public comment on the agenda items.

It was moved by Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Watson, and carried that the reading of the minutes shall be dispensed with and approved.

It was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Wilkerson, and failed, due to not being a unanimous vote, the following item be added to the agenda, (Item 28) Motion granting authority to hire special counsel to work with jury on taxing strategies and consolidation.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: Michael Fewell, Magnus McGee, Wendell Wilkerson,
Ronald Nunez, Jr., Sam Bordelon, and Johnny Watson
NAYS: Mark Daigle
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: None

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Nunez, and carried, the board will go into executive session to discuss:
Priola Construction v CPPJ
a. Coastal use Permit Litigation (moved from end of agenda)
b. Update on Coastal Litigation (moved from end of agenda)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Ronald Nunez, Jr., Michael Fewell, Magnus McGee,
Wendell Wilkerson, Mark Daigle, Sam Bordelon and
Johnny Watson

NAYS: None

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: None

It was moved by Mr. Wilkerson, seconded by Mr. Nunez, and carried, the meeting was called back to order at 2:25 P.M., and the jury returned to regular session.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby grants authority to the administrator to execute documents to settle the Priola Construction V. CPPJ.

It was moved by Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Daigle, and carried, that the application for the following permit be and the same is hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts:

- a. Moore-Odom Wildlife Foundation - Black Lake, Hackberry, Latitude 30°1'54.88, Longitude -93°29'33.29", Cameron Parish, LA. (260301)

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, that the application for the following permit be and the same is hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts:

- b. Justin J. Reeves, LLC - Off Price Lake Road, Rockefeller Refuge, Grand Chenier, Cameron Parish, LA. (260302)

It was moved by Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Wilkerson, and carried, that the application for the following permit be and the same is hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts:

- c. Venture Global CP2 LNG, LLC - Calcasieu Lake, Cameron (No Name Bayou), Cameron Parish, LA (260303)

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, that the application for the following permit be and the same is hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts:

- d. Beckenstein Estate - Black Lake, Hackberry, Latitude 30°2'17.3", Longitude -93°29'33.89", Cameron Parish, LA (260304)

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Daigle, and carried, that the application for the following permit be and the same is hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts:

- e. Cameron Parish Police Jury - East and West Hackberry Oil Field in Black Lake, Hackberry, Cameron Parish, LA. (260305)

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, that the application for the following permit be and the same is hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts:

- f. Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 4 - Creole, Section 27-29, T14S, R07W, Cameron Parish, LA. (260306)

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, that the application for the following permit be and the same is hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts and the stipulations set forth by the Cameron Parish Police Jury as follows. Strictly apply the clean-up and restoration standards found in Sections 701 (B), 711 (F), and 719 (M) of the Coastal use Guidelines and any other applicable guidelines in the CZM.

- g. BP America Production Company (BPAPC) - Grand Chenier, Section 5, T15S, R03W, Cameron Parish, LA. (260101)

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, that the application for the following permit be and the same is hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts:

h. Royal Engineers and Consultants - 5476 Grand Chenier Highway, Grand Chenier, Cameron Parish, LA. (260307)

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the board hereby tables the appointment for the expired term of Vince Theriot to the Cameron Parish Port Harbor & Terminal District for Ward 2 Board, for another 30 days.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Kim Murphy to the Beachfront Development District No. Two Board.

It was moved by Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby tables the appointment for the expired term of C.S. Darbonne to the Fire Protection District No. Fourteen Board.

It was moved by Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Wilkerson, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Greg Manuel to the Fire Protection District No. Fourteen Board.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Shane Broussard to the Gravity Drainage District No. Four Board.

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Nunez, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Rogerest Romero to the Gravity Drainage District No. Seven Board.

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Nunez, and carried, the board hereby reappointments Rhonda Coleman to the Lower Cameron Hospital District No. Two Board.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Melisa Bonsall to the Recreation District No. Nine Board.

It was moved by Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Watson, and carried, the board hereby tables the appointment for the expired term of John Constance to the Waterworks District No. Eleven Board.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Wilkerson, and carried, the board hereby accepts the resignation of Tremayne Picou from the Recreation District No. Five Board, and appoints Max Guthrie for the remainder of term.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Wilkerson, and carried, the board hereby accepts the resignation of Thomas Cox from the Recreation District No. Five Board, and appoints Lindsey Bufford for the remainder of term.

It was moved by Mr. Wilkerson, seconded by Mr. Nunez, and carried, the floor be opened for public comment on proposed amendments to:

Tourist Commission Ordinance Revisions

Currently, Chapter 16 of the Cameron Parish Ordinances, titled "Parks and Recreation" provides in Sec. 16-1:

Sec. 16-1. Tourist promotion agency.

The parish police jury is hereby designated as the tourist promotion agency for the parish.

(Res. of 5-5-76)

It is recommended that Sec.16-1 be deleted and the following be added to Chapter 13 titled, "Licenses and Miscellaneous Business Regulations", creating an Article III:

ARTICLE III - OCCUPANCY TAX

Sec. 13-41. Occupancy tax on hotel/motel rooms and overnight camping facilities.

(a) There is hereby recognized the Cameron Parish Tourist Commission as provided for in Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:4574.

(b) The Cameron Parish Tourist Commission is authorized pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:4575.1 to levy a tax upon the occupancy of hotel rooms, motel rooms, and overnight camping facilities located in Cameron Parish, said tax being no more than the rate of two (2%) percent of the rent or fee charged for such occupancy. A long-term stay at overnight camping facilities shall be exempt from the occupancy tax.

Sec. 13-42. Definitions.

For the purposes of this Article III of Chapter 13, unless the context clearly otherwise requires, the following words or terms shall have the respective meanings ascribed to each in this section.

- (1) *Overnight Camping Facilities.* The term "overnight camping facilities" shall mean any tract of land used for providing camping or parking areas for persons staying overnight in vehicles, including recreational vehicles, tents or other temporary accommodation.
- (2) *Recreational Vehicle.* The term "recreational vehicle" shall mean a towed or self-propelled vehicle on its own chassis or attached to the chassis of another vehicle and designed or used primarily for temporary dwelling, recreational or sporting purposes including, but not be limited to: travel trailers, pickup truck campers, camping trailers, park model units, self-propelled motor homes, covered trucks and buses, and boats and boat trailers.
- (3) *Long-Term Stay.* The term "long-term stay" shall mean that portion of a stay at an overnight camping facility that exceeds twenty-nine (29) consecutive days. By way of example, days thirty (30) to forty-five (45) of a stay of forty-five (45) consecutive days would be considered a long-term stay.

Sec. 13-43. Enforcement.

- (a) Any person or entity failing to pay the occupancy tax shall be given notice requiring that such person or entity show cause at a hearing before the police jury as to why enforcement action should not be taken. Such notice shall state the date, hour, and place of such hearing and shall be delivered at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing by way of hand delivery, commercial courier, registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, sent to any of the following: (i) the address given on the application for a recreational vehicle park; (ii) the address given on the occupational license; or, (iii) the registered agent for service of process.
- (b) Upon finding at such meeting that the person or entity

has failed to pay the occupancy tax, the police jury may take one or more of the following actions: (i) revoke the occupational license; (ii) revoke any permit for a recreational vehicle park; and, (iii) commence an enforcement action seeking fines and injunctive relief as provided herein.

- (c) Upon a finding by a court of competent jurisdiction that a person or entity has failed to pay the occupancy tax, the person or entity shall be fined not more than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for each violation and, in addition, shall pay all expenses incurred by the Parish for inspections and any court cost involved in prosecution of such case. In addition, the parish may seek to enjoin the occupancy or use of any hotel rooms, motel rooms, and overnight camping facilities owned or operated by such person or entity.

There were no written comments received and the only other comment was from Mr. Giz Guilbeaux, asking who would be monitoring this and Katie Armentor, parish administrator, informed Mr. Guilbeaux that it would be self-reporting.

Once comments were received, it was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Wilkerson, and carried, the hearing was declared closed.

It was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the proposed amendments to: Tourist Commission Ordinance Revisions as listed above is declared duly adopted.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YAYS: Michael Fewell, Magnus McGee, Wendell Wilkerson, Ronald Nunez, Jr., Sam Bordelon and Johnny Watson

NAYS: Mark Daigle

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: None

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Daigle, and carried, the floor be opened for public comment on proposed amendments to: Chapter 10 Article VII. Temporary Food Service - Festivals and Fairs

Sec 10-69. Temporary Food Vendors: Holly Beach, the Village of Cameron and the Industrial LNG Facilities

Temporary food service vendors can sell food or drink in a temporary location on Holly Beach, the Village of Cameron and the Industrial LNG Facilities provided:

REMOVE THE FOLLOWING:

(6) A limit of no more than 5 temporary food service permits in the Village of Cameron issued within one (1) year, and allow Applicants 60 Days to comply with permit. Excluding vendors selling food products such as ice cream, frozen novelties, snow cones, etc.

There were no written or oral comments, but a discussion was held by jurors. Mr. Nunez stated he had received calls from the locals stating they are against an unlimited number of food trucks, because they pay no taxes and do not contribute to the community, and when the workers are gone the trucks will be gone too. Mr. Nunez stated he is not against increasing the number allowed, but he is against unlimited. Mr. Daigle stated he

talked to the residents and they would like to see more trucks for more options, and hopefully make prices more competitive with more trucks, but the businesses do not want more trucks. Mr. Daigle proposes to make the number of food trucks allowed in the Village of Cameron unlimited. Mr. Watson disagrees with the option of unlimited food trucks, he stated he is not against increasing the number but he is against an unlimited number.

After jury discussion and there being no comments from the public, it was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the public hearing was declared closed.

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Watson, and carried, the board hereby tables adopting the proposed amendments to the Cameron Parish Code of Ordinances listed above to: Chapter 10 Article VII. Temporary Food Service Festivals and Fairs to the April meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Watson, and carried, the board hereby accepts the North Cameron Emergency Operations Center as substantially complete and authorizes, empowers, and directs the secretary to publish the necessary advertisements.

It was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the board hereby authorizes the treasurer pay the 2026 Police Jury Association of Louisiana dues in the amount of \$9,600.00.

It was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the board hereby allocates funds in the amount of \$27,380.13 to the LSU Ag Center for 2026 Extension Programs.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby grants authority of public notice advertisement for Geographic Boundaries of Gravity Drainage District No. 5 of the Parish of Cameron, Louisiana.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby grants authority of public notice advertisement to consider calling an election to be held on November 3, 2026, in Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 5 to consider renewal of an ad valorem property tax millage (6.21 mills) to construct, operate, and maintain the District's drainage systems.

It was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Watson, and carried, the board hereby authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign a Letter of Support for Habitat Recovery Project's application to the Climate Smart Communities Initiative (CSCI) Grant, in partnership with The Water Institute.

It was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the board hereby authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign State Water Bottom Lease No. 905 & No. 906 renewal.

It was moved by Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Wilkerson, and carried, the board hereby authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign Resolution No. 1230 supporting the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWPPRA) Priority Project List 36.

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the board hereby authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign contract amendment No. 4 for the Mermentau Basin Inundation Relief Project, to increase the contract amount for compensation to the Engineer in the amount of \$272,744.00.

It was moved by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the board hereby approves to retain Mike Hefner, Geographic Planning & Demographic Services, LLC, to redraft Census boundaries.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YAYS: Michael Fewell, Magnus McGee, Wendell Wilkerson,
Ronald Nunez, Jr., Sam Bordelon and Johnny Watson

NAYS: Mark Daigle

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: None

It was moved by Mr. Daigle, seconded by Mr. Nunez, and carried, the board hereby grants authority to Tom Barrett, DA, to draft an ordinance change for approval from the jury allowing the Sheriff to appoint a board member to the 911 board.

It was moved by Mr. Wilkerson, seconded by Mr. Nunez, and carried, the board hereby accepts the monthly financial statements and budget to the actual comparison report.

It was moved by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the treasurer is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to pay February 2025 bills.

Executive session items were moved to the beginning of the meeting.

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, and carried, the meeting was declared adjourned.

APPROVED:

MICHAEL FEWELL, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

MARY B CARROLL, SECRETARY