



Parish of Ascension

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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

June 6, 2023 - 5:30 PM

ASCENSION PARISH COURTHOUSE
607 EAST WORTHEY ROAD
GONZALES, LOUISIANA 70737

AGENDA

- (1) **Call To Order / Invocation and Pledge**
- (2) **Roll Call**
- (3) **Chair's Additions**
- (4) **Public Comment**
- (5) **GENERAL BUSINESS**
 - a. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement between the Parish and the Amite River Basin Commission to provide the Parish's drone equipment, including an operator to pilot said drone, to Amite River Basin Commission for purposes of obtaining aerial footage of the Amite River Basin - Comite Diversion Project. The video will contain the Ascension Parish Channel 21 logo (Parish President Clint Cointment)
 - b. Approval of renewal of one (1) year Security Services Contract between Ascension Parish Government (Lamar Dixon Expo Center) and Merchants Security Services, Inc. in the amount of \$104,000.00 to provide one (1) unarmed, uniformed security support officer 4:30 pm - 8:00 am, seven (7) days a week to provide proactive deterrence to criminal activity, enforce policies and procedures and aid management, employees and guests (Kyle Rogers, Lamar Dixon Expo Center General Manager)
 - c. Approval for President Cointment to approve and sign a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with TNT Building Consultants for use of parking at Lamar Dixon at a cost of \$25,000/month to include parking lot upgrades and a completed turf field for Lamar Dixon's sole use (Kyle Rogers, Lamar Dixon Expo Center General Manager)
 - d. Ascension Economic Development to introduce Honeywell International, Inc. for approval of participation in the ITEP under the 2018 rules (Kate MacArthur, President & CEO of Ascension Economic Development)
 - e. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement between the Parish and the Ascension Parish Sheriff to facilitate the establishment of a needs assessment and strategic plan for opioid awareness to determine how to effectively use the settlement funds. The Parish shall reimburse the Sheriff for the costs associated with the expenses incurred for the needs assessment and strategic plan for opioid awareness program, not to

exceed \$100,000.00 (Sheriff Bobby Webre or Staff Member and Chief Administrative Officer John Diez)

- f. Approval of renewal of Participation Agreement with St. Bernard Parish Sheriff for housing of juveniles (John Diez, Chief Administrative Officer)
- g. Approval of Amendment #2 to Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Parish Government and Nicholls State University, to allow the University to operate and administer the West Ascension Early Childhood Development Center at the B Lemann Building on Mississippi Street in Donaldsonville (Bill Dawson, Utilities Director and Special Projects and John Diez, Chief Administrative Officer)
- h. Presentation of Volunteer Ascension Annual Report and approval of request for funding (Sherry Denig, Executive Director Volunteer Ascension)
- i. Approval to make second installment payment of \$42,500.00 for Professional Liability Coverage for Ascension Parish Government Healthcare workers. Total contract amount of \$89,122.50 with Ironshore (Bret Hughes, Hughes Insurance)
- j. Discussion of Shaw Construction Services contract (Bill Dawson, Utilities Director)
- k. Approval of Change Order #9 - Shaw Construction Services Ascension Parish Sewer Program Improvements for additional scope of services for an additional amount of \$82,588.00. Total contract amount \$5,056,157.66 (Bill Dawson, Utilities Director)
- l. Bid results and approval to enter into contract for Asphalt Concrete Pavement Preservation 2023 with the lowest responsive bid submitted by Material Resources, Inc. in the amount of \$948,192.50 (Jim Buras, Purchasing Director)
- m. Approval of Renewal of Memorandum of Agreement between the Department of the Army and Co-Applicants, The Ascension Parish Government and The East Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District #1 for the expedited processing of Section 10/404 permit applications (Ron Savoy, Ascension Parish Department of Public Works Director)
- n. Approval for President Cointment to enter into an agreement with the Capital Region Planning Commission Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) action plan development grant with the 20% local match paid for by Ascension Parish of \$19,546.79 (Jeff Burst, HNTB)
- o. Approval of Amendment 1: Grant Extension to the Memorandum of Understanding between the National Recreation and Park Association and Ascension Parish Government Recreation Department for the South Louisiana Fairgrounds (LaLa Regira Field) Sport Renovation Project, to be extended through June 30, 2024. Total Grant Amount \$40,000 (Michael King, Recreation Director)
- p. Contract Report of all Contracts/Agreements entered into in the month of May 2023 (Finance Chairman Michael Mason)

(6) FINANCE REPORTS

- a. Budget Amendment #3 - Approval to amend 2023 Budget (Dawn Caballero, Comptroller)
- b. Financial Update - Open Finance at <https://ascensionparishla.finance.socrata.com/#!/dashboard> (Finance Chairman Michael Mason)

(7) Adjourn