

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:
The Town of Winnsboro will offer the listed surplus equipment for sale, in “as is” condition with no warranty, by Sealed Bids at the Jack Hammons Community Center, 810 Adams Street, Winnsboro, La 71295 on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 10:00 A.M., surplus movable property, to-wit:

NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	MINIMUM BID AMOUNT
1.	2008 DODGE RAM	1500.00
2.	2008 FORD F-150	3500.00
3.	2005 GMC PICKUP	2500.00
4.	1999 FREIGHTLINER FL80 FIRE TRUCK	3500.00
5.	1998 FORD F-150	1350.00
6.	1994 CHEVY HD3500 BUCKET TRUCK	4500.00
7.	KURB KUTTER MODEL 700R	300.00
8.	FORD 5030 TRACTOR	4500.00

This property is available for public inspection at the Town of Winnsboro's old water plant located at 707 Fair Ave and the Town's Barn, 2404 Loop Road. Please call to schedule a time to inspect all items. Sealed Bids will be accepted at any time prior to the sale date at the Town Hall or Town Clerk's office and will be opened at 10:00 A.M. on October 4, 2023 at the Jack Hammons Community Center.

The Town of Winnsboro has the right to refuse any and all bids.

Terms of sale: All sales are final and in “as is” condition with no warranty. Successful bidders must pay for equipment with a cashier's check, debit/credit card or money order and remove the equipment within 5 business days after the bid has been awarded. For more information, please contact Town Hall at 318-435-9087 or Town Clerk, Ms. Julia Jackson at 318-439-0264.
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Franklin Parish Police Jury
Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Franklin Parish Police Jury on October 19, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Crowville/Gulledge-Richardson Community Center located at 157 Football Field Drive, Winnsboro, LA 71295, to Discuss:
The Crowville Walkability and Livability Improvement Grant

The jury encourages all residents of Crowville to appear to have their voice and concerns heard.

The jury will at the said time and place hear all comments in support of such matters or any objections thereto. Comments submitted in writing must be received before 4:00 p.m. on the date of the above hearings and be addressed to the address listed above.
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you will require special assistance, please provide advance notice to the Franklin Parish Police Jury Office (318-435-9429).
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NOTICE
Regular Council Meeting
September 19, 2023

The Mayor and Council of the Village of Baskin met at a regular scheduled session on Tuesday September 19, 2023 at 6:00 PM, at the Village of Baskin Town Hall.

Present: Mayor George “Layton” Curtis and Council Members Cary Collier and Zane Johnson.
Also Present: Town Clerk and others. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Curtis and the opening prayer was led by Mr. Cary Collier.

Old Business:

New Business:
Financial Report and permission to pay all bills and obligations
Motion made by: Cary Collier, 2nd Zane Johnson, Yeas: 2 Nays: 0 Absent: 1
Ordinance 2023-09 for Fire Chief Pay.
Motion made by: Zane Johnson, 2nd Cary Collier, Yeas: 2 Nays: 0 Absent: 1
Resolution 2023-09 authorization to participate in National Fire Safety Week
Motion made by: Cary Collier, 2nd Zane Johnson, Yeas: 2 Nays: 0 Absent: 1
Resolution 2023-09 (b) for LPS Municipal Surplus Property Program
Motion made by: Zane Johnson, 2nd Cary Collier, Yeas: 2 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Mayor's Update: We have a new Monument Shop coming to the Village. Mayor Curtis is on the School Board to talk about protecting our schools.

Fire Department Report:
The Alderman were polled about the upcoming Fire Prevention Education coming up in October
The Fire Department responded to one mutual aid call for a grass fire. They also responded to one mutual aid call for a rubbish fire. We finished up the eDispatch account and started adding members. We are working with other agencies to set up training classes with FETA. Chief Givens got with Joel Olivo and added new drivers to the department. And we are setting up one on one training to go over how to drive and operate the engines.

Police Report:
Police Department is running smoothly. Chief Grayson and Alex Givens are in their 4th week of school. They are doing really well.

Further Business: none
Adjourn: With no further business the council meeting was adjourned
Motion made by: Cary Collier, 2nd Zane Johnson, Yeas: 2 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Time: 6:30pm

Geroge “Layton” Curtis Terry Arnold, Clerk
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NOTICE
RESOLUTION #2023 – 09 (b)

RESOLUTION FOR LPS MUNICIPAL SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Village of Baskin owns the following property which is no longer needed for a public purpose:

DESCRIPTION*	MODEL/SERIAL #	BRAND	STARTING PRICE**
BUSH HOG	#SQ160/#12-00167	BUSH HOG	\$50.00
BUSH HOG	#RDT#60/#12-07669	BUSH HOG	\$50.00

* A “Scrap/Salvage” designation denotes that the town has determined that the item is no longer fit for its intended purpose and a buyer is most likely going to resell the item as scrap or salvage after removing desired parts or components.

** Starting Price means the price at which a minimum bid will be received. Starting Price does not mean Fair Market Value. Fair Market Value is determined by the highest reasonable bid accepted by the town which is often higher than the Starting Price.

WHEREAS, no single item to be sold has a known value exceeding \$5000 [information: items with a value which is known to exceed \$5000 should be declared surplus by ordinance – items listed below \$5000, however, may, and often are sold for more than \$5000 – an ordinance is not required if that should occur];

WHEREAS, the moveable property will be assigned to the LPS Municipal Surplus Property Program, 6767 Perkins Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70808 to be listed and auctioned/sold online “as is; where is” at https://lamats.net/surplus, at the highest bid which shall be subject to acceptance or rejection by the Village of Baskin, said bidding to last a minimum of 7 days, commencing 15 days after publication of an advertisement in the municipal journal of record. The items may be prelisted online prior to official newspaper publications;

WHEREAS, the Village of Baskin reserves the right to reject all bids that are not deemed to represent the fair market value of the surplus item at the time sold, and to relist same online until sold or withdrawn;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Baskin, has hereby declared the above-mentioned movable property as surplus with a minimum value of five thousand dollars or less per item, to be sold through online auction at

https://lamats.net/surplus.
The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Motion by: Zane Johnson Second by: Cary Collier

YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1

The resolution was declared adopted on this the 19th day of September, 2023.
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NOTICE TO ESTABLISH A BRANCH

In the matter of the establishment of a branch of Winnsboro State Bank & Trust Company, notice is hereby given that the Winnsboro State Bank & Trust Company, whose Main Office and domicile is located in Winnsboro, Franklin Parish, Louisiana, has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Louisiana Commissioner of Financial Institutions to establish a branch to be located at 1715 Celebrity Drive, Ruston, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana.
Any person wishing to comment on the branch application may file his or her comments, in writing, through the FDIC's website at https://www7.fdic.gov/CRA. Alternatively, comments may be filed in writing, with the Regional Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its Dallas Regional Office at 600 North Pearl Street, suite 700, Dallas, TX 75201, not later than October 12, 2023. The non-confidential portion of the application is on file in the regional office and is available for inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application file will be available upon request.

Any person wishing to comment on this application with the Louisiana Office of Financial Institutions may file his or her comments, in writing, with the Commissioner of Financial Institutions, Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095. The Office of Financial Institutions is not required to consider any comments received more than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. The Public Section of the application will be available at the Office of Financial Institutions for public inspection during the regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
This notice is published pursuant to Part 303.7 of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and LAC 10:I Chapter 5 of the “Louisiana Register”.
Winnsboro State Bank & Trust Company
P.O. Box 970
3575 Front Street, Winnsboro, LA 71294 By: Howard D. Smith, President & CEO
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Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed
Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain and/or Wetlands

This is to give notice that the Town of Winnsboro, located in Franklin Parish, has determined that the following proposed action under the Village's 2023 LCDBG Public Facilities Program is located in the 100-year floodplain and wetlands, and the Town will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the floodplain and wetlands and the potential impacts on the floodplain and wetlands from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands.

The Town of Winnsboro, located in Franklin Parish, proposes to utilize LCDBG and Local funding to construct street improvements. The proposed project will consist of the following construction activities: Mobilization, Temporary Signs, Barri-cades, and Erosion Control, Project Signs, Asphaltic Concrete Pavement, Milling Asphaltic Concrete Pavement, Soil Cement Base, Pavement Patching, Shoulders improvements, and address utility conflicts where applicable. The streets proposed for improvement are West Harper St., Pinecrest St., Womble St., Hatfield St., Peters St., Scott St., and Powers St.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and wetlands and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains and wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains and wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the Town of Winnsboro at the following address on or before October 13, 2023: Alice Wallace, Mayor, Town of Winnsboro, P.O. Box 250, Winnsboro, LA 71295-0250. The Town of Winnsboro can be contacted by phone at 318-435-9087. A full description of the project may also be reviewed at the Winnsboro Town Hall.

The Town of Winnsboro is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
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NOTICE
FRANKLIN PARISH POLICE JURY
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION STATEMENTS
FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Franklin Parish Police Jury is seeking assistance for engineering services for implementation of the Louisiana Watershed Initiative's Design Support Program - Ash Slough Drainage Improvements.
The Police Jury is soliciting qualification statements for engineering services to assist the Police Jury with preliminary engineering, design engineering, and construction related services for the Police Jury's Louisiana Watershed Initiative's Design Support Program funding. Additionally, the selected firm will assist with finalizing any application requirements and performing a final Hydrologic and Hydraulics Study.

All responses will be evaluated in accordance with the selection criteria identified in the Request for Qualifications Packet. The Franklin Parish Police Jury will begin contract negotiations immediately following selection of successful respondent.

Interested parties are invited to secure a Request for Qualifications Packet from the Franklin Parish Police Jury, Attn: Ms. Sam Wiggins Boyd, Secretary/Treasurer, 6558 Main Street, Winnsboro, LA 71295, Telephone: (318) 435-9429.

Responses to this Request must be hand delivered or mailed to the Franklin Parish Police Jury at the above named address in such a manner that it is received no later than 3:00 P.M., on October 11, 2023 contact person Ms. Sam Wiggins Boyd, Secretary/Treasurer.

The Franklin Parish Police Jury is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage all small and minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises to apply.
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NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR
PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION SERVICES AND FINANCIAL MANAGE-
MENT

The Franklin Parish Police Jury is receiving a grant under the Louisiana Water-shed Initiative Design Support Package for the purpose of providing drainage im-provements to Ash Slough from LA 4 to Turkey Creek. The Police Jury is interested in procuring the services of an administrative consulting firm to administer and implement the project.

The procedures for the selection of this firm will be in accordance with the procure-ment requirements of the Disaster Recovery CDBG Program. All responses re-ceived will be evaluated in accordance with the selection criteria and corresponding point system that is identified in the request for proposals package. That package also identifies the scope of services to be performed by the selected firm.

The Police Jury will award the contract to the respondent obtaining the highest score in the evaluation process.

Interested parties are invited to secure a proposal package from Ms. Sam Wiggins, Secretary/Treasurer at 6558 Main Street, Winnsboro, LA 71295, Telephone: (318) 435-9429. The response to this request must be hand-delivered or mailed to the above named person at the above named address in such a manner that it is received no later than 3:00PM on October 11, 2023.

The Franklin Parish Police Jury is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encour-age all small and minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises to apply.
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Regular Meeting/Public Hearing
Of The
Franklin Parish Police Jury
September 14, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.
Franklin Parish Police Room
6558 Main Street, Winnsboro, LA 71295

The Franklin Parish Police Jury met in Regular Session on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 5:00 P.M. in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, located at 6558 Main Street, Winnsboro, LA 71295 with the following present: President James Harris, Vice President Leodis Norman, Chaplain Gary Peters, Juror Keiona Wesby, Juror Howie Robinson, Juror Ricky Campbell, and Juror David DeBlieux.

President Harris called the meeting to order, followed by roll call.
Chaplain Peters led the assembly in prayer and the pledge of allegiance.
The motion to approve the agenda was offered by Campbell, seconded by Peters, and passed.

President Harris opened the public hearing of the Board of Review for the 2023 property tax assessments. Assessor Rod Elrod was in attendance to inform the jury of the two appeals received. Regency Intrastate Gas, which the assessor has determined Fair Market Value at \$57,424,948.00, is requesting that the Fair Market Value be fixed at \$26,168,892.00. Cable One, which the assessor has determined Fair Market Value at \$123,381.00, is requesting that the Fair Market Value be fixed at \$12,338.00. President Harris asked for any public comments. No comments were received neither written nor via voice. Peters offered the motion to close the public hearing. Campbell seconded with all voting in agreement. Campbell offered the motion to uphold the property tax assessments as determined by Franklin Parish Tax Assessor, Rod Elrod. DeBlieux seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Peters offered the motion to open the public hearing for the consideration of removing 1140 ft. of Sims Ln. from the parish road system. Campbell seconded the motion with all voting in agreement.

President Harris asked for any public comments. No comments were received neither written nor via voice. Campbell offered the motion to close the public hearing. Peters seconded with all voting in agreement.

Campbell offered the motion to approve the removal of 1140 ft. of Sims Ln. from the parish road system. Peters seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dr. Joel Eldridge discussed with the jury the renewal of the Dole Provider Contract between the FPPJ and NELA EMS for ambulance services. The current agreement is set to expire October 12, 2023. Dr. Eldridge asked the Jury to extend the current agreement by 6 months so that the current Franklin Parish Ordinance to be updated with current verbiage prior to renewing the agreement for 3 years. Dr. Eldridge also explained to the jury the ambulance reports/logs for the services provided from 2000-2023. The motion to approve extending the current agreement by 6 months was offered by Peters, seconded by Wesby and passed.

The motion to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2023, July 17, 2023, and August 10, 2023, regular meetings was offered by Peters, seconded by Robinson, and carried.

Mrs. Carol Pinnell-Alison provided the jury with the monthly LSU Ag Center Update, including the recent and upcoming activities of the 4-H clubs and current agricultural related information.

Mr. Leroy Scott requested to be placed on the agenda to discuss garbage carts for the parish parks. Mr. Scott advised that he had called to get additional garbage carts for a Labor Day event that was going to be at one of the parks and was denied. It was explained to Mr. Scott that the sitting jury approved a resolution requiring special permits for large gatherings at the parish parks. One of the regulations is to get jury approval 1 month prior to holding the gathering/event (this excludes family reunions and birthday parties). Mr. Scott was told he could not get additional garbage carts because the jury was not made aware of the Labor Day gathering/event, and it was too late to put it before the jury for approval.

Riley Williams was present to let the jury know that he needs the dust control services. Mr. Williams was previously approved for dust control. The Superintendent advised Mr. Williams that he did investigate why he had not received the courtes-y service and was told that it had been an oversight and that they would be going out very soon. Mr. Williams also expressed his disappointment in Henry Parker Rd. being hard surfaced and not Claybon Rd.

At this time, President Harris skipped down to the Warsaw Lp. erosion issue agenda item. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie and Carol Ogden were in attendance to show the jury video and pictures of the erosion that the rushing water going through the ditch on their property is causing. Juror Peters advised the Ogden's that he will go out the next day and look at the issue to see what the best solution to solve the issues will be. No vote needed at this time.

McManus provided the jury with his monthly update all of which is addressed in the following Capital Outlay Application resolutions.

Campbell offered the motion to approve Resolution 793 for the Capital Outlay Application for the Franklin Parish Activity Center. Peters seconded with all voting in agreement.

Campbell offered the motion to approve Resolution 794 for the Capital Outlay Application for the Parish Wide Road Improvements. DeBlieux seconded with all voting in agreement.

Campbell offered the motion to approve Resolution 795 for the Capital Outlay Application of the L.D. Knox Road Improvements. Peters seconded with all voting in agreement.

Peters offered the motion to approve Resolution 796 for the Capital Outlay Appli-cation for Looney Canal Erosion Repairs. Campbell seconded the motion with all voting in agreement.

There was a clerical error on the agenda. The next agenda item should have read Resolution 797 –Authorization for James Harris to sign documents in relation to funding through the Design Support Program. Campbell offered the motion to approve Resolution 797 authorizing James Harris to sign documents in relation to the funding through the Design Support Program. Robinson seconded with all voting in agreement.

The Crowville Walkability and Livability Improvements has been selected to be included in the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). The Parish, if it would like to accept the project award in the amount of 1 million dollars with a 5% match (50 thousand dollars) must provide an acceptance letter and resolution agreeing to the following requirements by October 31, 2023.

The application asked for 100% (2 million dollars) funding but was awarded 50% (1 million dollars). Friends of Crowville was instructed to apply during the next cycle (October 2024) for the remaining 50%. Upon acceptance, then the project is in the cycle of funding and it is his understanding that at that point DOTD assigns a consultant and engineer to the parish to try and see what is the best way to invest the 1 million dollars that is the 50% of the project to be the most effective in Crowville and then the other part, the next years cycle, would be phase II. During the committee meeting, the questions of who is responsible for the perpetual maintenance and legal liability, if someone was to have an accident on the sidewalk and/or roadway within the project scope. The treasurer reached out to DOTD, and it was confirmed that perpetual maintenance and any legal liability will be the responsibility of the Franklin Parish Police Jury. This raised some concerns. After much discussion, the motion to table a decision and to hold a public hearing for the residents to voice their support or opposition of the project was offered by Camp-bell, seconded by Robinson, and was passed.

The motion to approve the Secretary/Treasurer to attend a 2-day Qualification Core Training was offered by Campbell, seconded by Peters, and was passed.

The motion to approve the processing of the 2021 deductible payment reim-bursement for Mr. M. Freeman was offered by Peters, seconded by Wesby, and was passed. The jury did not set a time frame limit at this time.

The motion to hire Mr. Waylon Stanley as the Courthouse Maintenance Person at the beginning rate of the pay scale on a 6-month probationary period, start date of the probationary period being August 1, 2023, was offered by Peters, seconded by Campbell, and was unanimously passed.

The motion to approve that Mr. A. Bowlin has successfully completed his 6-month probationary period and to increase his rate of pay \$1 was offered by Campbell, seconded by DeBlieux, and was unanimously passed.

The motion to extend the probationary period of Mr. J Killingsworth 3-months and have on the job training to learn to load and unload the road grader on the low-boy, was offered by Peters, seconded by Wesby, and was unanimously passed.

The motion to approve that Mr. J. McCarthy has successfully completed his 2-month probationary extension and to increase his rate of pay \$1, was offered by Campbell, seconded by Peters, and passed.

The motion to approve the superintendent to attend the LPESA Fall Conference and for the Superintendent and Road Foreman to attend the Road to Better Signing course was offered by Campbell, seconded by Peters, and carried.

The motion to approve the Secretary/Treasurer beginning the discussion with the School Board and Friends of Crowville for an application for a sports complex on Football Field Drive in Crowville was offered by Campbell, seconded by Robinson, and was passed. Complex to include walking trails, exercise equipment, soccer field, rework of baseball diamond and tennis court, repairs to the bathroom facilities at the football field.

Robinson offered the motion to approve Gary Peters as the Personnel Committee Chairperson. Campbell seconded with all voting in agreement.

Peters offered the motion to approve the request of Rochelle Kelly to hold a cam-paign party at Ephron Rollins Park on September 30, 2023. Campbell seconded the motion with all voting in agreement.

Campbell offered the motion to approve the request of Rochelle Kelly to hold a campaign party at the Ester Credit Park on October 10, 2023. Robinson seconded the motion with all voting in agreement.

Robinson offered the motion to use the combined LGAP funds in the amount of \$238,981.00 to purchase a pothole patcher and chassis in the amount of \$220,434.00. Peters seconded with all voting in agreement.

The motion to approve the installment purchase of a CAT Dozer for 48 months at 6.370%=\$9,852.79 with a new machine warranty government 24 months 3000 hours Premier at the cost of \$3,453.00 was offered by Campbell, seconded by Peters and was unanimously passed.

The motion to approve the dust control requests for William Johnston, Janice Posey, Bill Hendrix, and Beverly Tarver on Dean Rd. was offered by Peters, second-ed by Campbell, and carried.

In conjunction with the previously approved dust control request of Mr. Aubry Bennett, Mr. Aubry asked if the parish could also spray about 150’ of Cowart Road. The individuals sliding to a stop on that side also causes dust to flow towards his home. Campbell offered the motion to add the 150’ of Cowart Rd. to Mr. Aub-ry's recently approved dust control request. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

DeBlieux offered the motion to approve the dust control request by Mr. William Johnston at 282 Underwood Rd. Campbell seconded with all voting in approval.