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next season. They were telling me we would be better next season, and were holding each other accountable. I hate I'm not going to be able to coach the seniors after having them for three years."

West coached Natchez High's Middle School team to five Southwest Mississippi Middle School championships in seven years while also assisting the Natchez High football team.

West was the 10th head football coach at

Vidalia High, the first African-American.

West, who graduated from Alcorn, applied for the Vidalia head coaching job in 2020 when Michael Norris was named head coach. He also applied for the Natchez High job twice.

West was over the Vidalia High football banquet last week, and also represented Vidalia High at the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Miss-Lou Chapter on February 24.

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Vidalia had five errors.

The Vikings defeated host Harrisonburg 6-5 Friday.

Noah Myers doubled and singled for the Vikings.

Williams, Weatherly and Thomas singled.

"We found a way to win when Harrisonburg kept answering," Martin said. "I couldn't be prouder. We did make too many mistakes on the base paths."

Vidalia's game scheduled for Monday against West Feliciana was postponed."

Harrison homer lifts NSU

With one swing, Colton Harrison turned around both his and the Northwestern State baseball team's fortunes.

Harrison's pinch-hit, tie-breaking two-run home run in the eighth inning Sunday afternoon lifted the Demons to a 5-4 victory against Southeastern

Louisiana at NSU, allowing the Demons to salvage one game of their Southland Conference-opening series.

"We knew (Logan Freche) threw cutters and sliders," Harrison said. "I saw Bryce (Johnson) hit the ball hard, and as soon as he got on base, I was

just looking for a pitch I could drive and get the job done. I've been struggling, but having a coach who believes in me every day when I show up to practice and doing the work gives me faith in the process."

It was Harrison's first home run since Feb. 15.

Public Notices

STATE OF LOUISIANA 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
PARISH OF CONCORDIA VIDALIA, LOUISIANA

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE AND APPRAISAL NOTICE

CONCORDIA BANK & TRUST COMPANY

VS SUIT NUMBER: 56005

BELINDA C. HOLLINS (UNCOP SUCC)

WRIT OF: WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE

By virtue of above WRIT issues from the Honorable 7th Judicial Court in and for the Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, in the above-entitled number and cause, and to me directed I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale the following described property to-wit:

Exhibit "A"

LOT NO. 214, UNIT No. 3, Ridgecrest Subdivision, Ferriday, Louisiana. Together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

Physical address: 104 Circle Drive, Ridgecrest, Louisiana, 71334

DATE OF SALE: **March 11, 2026**

PLACE OF SALE: Second floor, Concordia Parish Courthouse
Vidalia, Louisiana

TIME TO SALE: 10:00 AM

TERMS OF SALE: Cash WITH benefit of appraisalment

DAVID K. HEDRICK, JR. SHERIFF

BY: s/s Mickie Harvey
(Deputy Sheriff)

Advertise February 11, 2026

Advertise March 4, 2026

IF APPLICABLE YOU MAY NAME AN APPRAISER TO VALUE THE PROPERTY IN THE ABOVE CAPTIONED SUIT AND TO NOTIFY THE SHERIFF OF YOUR APPOINTMENT NO LATER THAN TWO DAYS BEFORE THE SALE. SHOULD YOU FAIL TO APPOINT AN APPRAISER, THE SHERIFF SHALL APPOINT AN APPRAISER FOR YOU.

Request for Scenic River Permit on Bayou Cocodrie

The Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) as Administrator of the Louisiana Natural and Scenic Rivers System is currently considering the application of Marion Oquin to build a dock on Bayou Cocodrie. Copies of the application can be reviewed at the LDWF main office, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA. The public is invited to comment on this permit request for a period of forty-five (45) days. Responses should be mailed to LDWF Scenic Rivers Program, P.O. Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000.

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SECTION 00100 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

TOWN OF JONESVILLE
REHABILITATION OF
GOHEGAN PUMP STATION

Separate sealed bids for the TOWN OF JONESVILLE, REHABILITATION OF GOHEGAN PUMP STATION, will be received by the Town of Jonesville at the office of Pan American Engineers, LLC, 1717 Jackson Street, Alexandria, Louisiana 71301 until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 17, 2026 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after the specified time and date will not be considered.

The Instructions to Bidders, Bid Form, Agreement Between Owner and Contractor, Forms of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bonds, Drawings and Specifications, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following location:

PAN AMERICAN ENGINEERS, LLC
(Design Professional)
1717 JACKSON STREET (71301)
P. O. BOX 8599 (71306)
ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA
(318) 473-2100

The work to be performed under this Contract includes the removal of the existing pre-packaged self priming lift station equipment and the installation of submersible non-clog sewage pumping equipment.

Copies of the bidding documents shall be obtained from the office of Pan American Engineers, LLC upon deposit of \$150.00 for each set of documents; or from the electronic bid submittal option as noted in the Advertisement. The deposit on the first set of documents furnished to bonafide prime bidders will be fully refunded upon return of the documents, in good condition, no later than ten (10) days after receipt of bids. On other sets of documents furnished to bidders, the deposit less actual cost of reproduction will be refunded upon return of the documents, in good condition, no later than ten (10) days after receipt of bids.

The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all bids for just cause. Such actions will be in accordance with Title 38 of L.R.S.

In accordance with L.R.S. 38:2212.B.(1), the provisions and requirements stated in the Bidding Documents shall not be considered as informalities and shall not be waived.

Each Bidder must deposit with the bid, security in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the total bid price, as described in the Instructions to Bidders. Bid bonds shall be written by a surety or insurance company meeting the requirements noted in L.R.S. 38:2218.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond, in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract amount, written by a surety or insurance company meeting the requirements noted in L.R.S. 38:2219 A.(1)(a), (b) and (c), or for Federally funded projects, must be listed as acceptable on the U.S. Department of Treasury Circular 570.

Minority owned firms and small business are encouraged to participate.

The successful Bidder must have an active Unique Entity ID (UEI) and be registered with the Federal System of Award (SAM) Registration Program prior to award of contract.

Attention of Bidders is called particularly to the requirements for conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the Contract (Davis-Bacon Act), Section 503 (Non-Discrimination Against Employees with Disabilities) and Section 504 (Non-Discrimination Against Individuals with Disabilities) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Executive Order 11246, the Family and Medical Leave of 1993, and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Goods purchased and incorporated into the work shall comply with "Executive Order 14005- Ensuring the Future is Made in all of America by all of America's Workers".

The Town of Jonesville is an equal opportunity employer.

Any person with disabilities requiring special accommodations must contact the Town of Jonesville no later than seven (7) days prior to bid opening.

Town of Jonesville
Mayor Loria Hollins
P.O. Box 428
Jonesville, Louisiana 71343

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BID NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Commissioners for the FIFTH LOUISIANA LEVEE DISTRICT, 102 Burnside Dr., Tallulah, LA 71282, up until 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, and then publicly opened and read for the following equipment:

UP TO THREE (3) 195 H.P. TRACTORS ON A 48 MONTH LEASE
PURCHASE SCHEDULE

and

UP TO TWO (2) 195 H.P. TRACTOR PURCHASE

Please specify all warranty options and costs associated with each. Equipment specifications may be obtained from Fifth Louisiana Levee District, 102 Burnside Dr., Tallulah, LA 71282, telephone 318-574-2206. Bid envelopes are to be labeled appropriately.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Fifth Louisiana Levee Board
Reynold S. Minsky, President Jason Trichell, Supt. of Operations

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NOTICE

"It is the intent of the Concordia Clerk of Court to take the increase in his compensation according to the law."

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LOUISIANA DEPT OF AG AND FORESTRY

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with L.R.S. 3:1609 and LAC 7:XV.314 (A), the Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry, Louisiana Boll Weevil Eradication Commission, has established a boll weevil eradication zone, the Louisiana Eradication Zone, consisting of all the territory within the state of Louisiana.

Notice is further given that all producers of commercial cotton in Louisiana are required to participate in the boll weevil eradication program, including cost sharing, in accordance with the Boll Weevil Eradication Law and regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, reporting of cotton acreage and destruction of cotton plants and stalks by December 31 of each crop year. A copy of the law and rules and regulations may be obtained from the Boll Weevil Eradication Commission, 5825 Florida Blvd. Ste. 3002, Baton Rouge, La. 70806, telephone number (225) 922-1338.

Notice is also given that the planting of noncommercial cotton is PROHIBITED in Louisiana unless a written waiver is obtained from the Commissioner of Agriculture & Forestry in accordance with LAC 7:XV.319(C). To request a waiver, submit a written application to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, at the address provided in this notice, stating the conditions under which such written waiver is requested.

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CLEMENCY

I, MARK GORDON, DOC #714938, have applied for clemency for my conviction of VEHICULAR HOMICIDE. If you have any comments, contact the Board of Pardons (225)342-5421.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 03/04/2026

Sealed bids marked "Sealed Bid" – Town of Vidalia, will be received by the Owner for the construction of the project described as follows:

TOWN OF VIDALIA WATER WELL IMPROVEMENTS RAISING WATER WELLS AND CONTROL HOUSE

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Town of Vidalia (Owner) either by delivery, mail or in-person, located at 200 Vernon Stevens Blvd. (P.O. Box 2010), Vidalia, LA 71343 no later than **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 2, 2026** at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids submitted after this date and time will not be considered. _____

All bids must be submitted on the proper form. The contractor must prominently display his license number on the outside of the envelope. Bids received after the specified time and date will not be considered.

A pre-bid conference will be held at **10:00 a.m.** local time on **Thursday, March 19, 2026**, at the office of the Engineer, Bryant Hammett & Associates located at 6885 Hwy. 84, Ferriday, LA 71334. Attendance is highly encouraged but not mandatory.

Complete bidding documents for this project are available in electronic form and can be downloaded from the following designated website: <http://www.central-bidding.com> under **Bryant Hammett & Associates, LLC**. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with <http://www.centralbidding.com> website as a plan holder OR **must** register with the Engineer, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a bid for the Project. The designated website will offer official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents. Prospective Bidders are solely responsible for obtaining the most up-to-date bidding Documents from the designated website. **Bids will not be accepted through the online portal; they shall be received by mail, delivery, or in person.**

Construction documents can be obtained from Bryant Hammett & Associates (318-757-6576) upon payment of \$200 per set. Documents can be mailed to bidders for an additional \$25.00 per set. Refunds will be given on the first set

of documents furnished to bona fide prime bidders upon return of the clean, unmarked documents no later than ten days after receipt of bids. Neither the Owner nor the Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website. Bids will not be accepted through the online bidding portal; they will be received by mail and/or delivery as stated above.

Contractors are responsible for the reproduction/printing of Bidding Documents. Contractors desiring to bid shall provide evidence that they hold a State License of proper classification and in full force and effect. For contractor information, this project is classified as Heavy construction.

In accordance with RS 38:2212 G(2) plans and specifications shall be available to bidders until twenty-four hours before bid opening date. The Corporate Resolution must be signed and sealed. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause; such actions will be in accordance with title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.

Each bidder must deposit with his/her bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders. Bid bonds shall be written by a surety or insurance company currently on the U.S. Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service list of approved bonding companies which is published annually in the Federal Register, or by a Louisiana domiciled insurance company with at least an A-rating in the latest printing of the A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide to write individual bonds up to ten percent of policyholders' surplus as shown in the A.M. Best's Key rating Guide or by an insurance company in good standing licensed to write bid bonds which is either domiciled in Louisiana or owned by Louisiana Residents.

The contractor may withdraw a bid by affidavit within 48 hours of the bid opening in accordance with LA R.S. 38§2214.C; for patently obvious, unintentional and substantial mechanical, clerical or mathematical errors. The Bids will remain subject to acceptance for forty-five (45) days after the Bid opening, or for such longer period of time that Bidder may agree to in writing upon request of Owner.

Any interpretation of the bid documents shall be in writing addressed to **Bryant Hammett & Associates, L.L.C.** at **6885 Hwy. 84 West, Ferriday, LA 71334** or **emailed to medwards@bha-engineers.com** and to be given consideration must be received at least **ten days prior** to the date fixed for the opening of bids. **No communication after this date.**

The Contractor shall begin mobilization and procurement of materials within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the Notice to Proceed.

The successful bidder will be required to execute the Owner's Standard Form of Agreement/Contract for construction together with the Performance and Payment Bonds within ten (10) working days after issuance of the Notice of Award. Sureties used for obtaining bonds must appear as acceptable on the U.S. Department of Treasury Circular 570.

The Owner hereby notifies all offerors that in regard to any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, that Minority Business Enterprises will be afforded equal opportunity to submit offers in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin or disability in consideration for an award.

Please notify the Town of Vidalia (318)336-5206 seven (7) days in advance of the scheduled bid opening if special accommodations specified under ADA are required.

Buz Craft, Mayor
TOWN OF VIDALIA
P.O. Box 2010
Vidalia, LA 71373

Concordia Sentinel Publication Dates:

March 4, 2026

March 11, 2026

March 18, 2026 \$85.50

MINUTES OF A REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF VIDALIA, LOUISIANA, HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM, 200 VERNON STEVENS BLVD., VIDALIA, LOUISIANA

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, met, in regular session, in the Town Hall Meeting Room on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

There were present: Mayor Buz Craft, Aldermen Jon Betts, Robert Gardner, Triand "Tron" McCoy, Tommy Probst and Brent Smith.

There were also present: Piara Wilson, Municipal Clerk; Debra Moak, Chief Financial Officer; Brad Burget representative of Smith, Taliaferro & Purvis Law Firm., Municipal Attorney; Jay LaSoyne, Chief Administrative Officer; and members of the press.

The meeting was opened by the Mayor and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present, followed by the invocation given by Alderman Betts.

A quorum being present, the Mayor declared the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, to be duly convened, in regular session, as the governing authority of said municipality, and opened the meeting for the conduct of business.

After being reviewed, the typed minutes of the regular town meeting of January 13, 2026, were approved with no changes. A discussion of the minutes took place with Alderman Gardner requesting the minutes be revised to reflect him as present, stating he arrived before adjournment and his salary should be adjusted accordingly. Alderman Gardner also stated that the Ordinance does not state a time frame to be present to be considered as present for a Town meeting. The Mayor stated that Alderman Gardner was not present during roll call or any action items. After an in-depth conversation regarding the current Ordinance and Alderman Gardner's attendance, the Mayor asked that a motion be made to approve the minutes as written. The motion for the approval of the minutes was made by Alderman Betts, seconded by Alderman Smith, and a roll call vote was held as follows: YAY: Alderman Betts, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Probst and Alderman Smith. NAY: Alderman Gardner. The motion carried.

The Mayor then asked if anyone had any comments on current agenda items. Cassandra Lynch expressed concern about agenda item number two; the presentation of the 80-foot flag inside the Town. She stated that the Beautification Committee has been working on the project of placing a flag pole inside the City Limits for a long time. She stated that she would like that project to do away with that project and place the funds into another project to beautify the Town. The next person to speak was Von Manchester in regards to the December 2025 financial statement, focusing on Nepotism. Mr. Manchester alleges that Mayor Craft's brother-in-law received \$15,000 from the Town within a 37-day period which he believes violates Louisiana RS 42:1119. He questioned why the payment was split into multiple checks, claiming the work was electrical despite the brother-in-law lacking a current license and insurance. He also states that his records requests are being ignored. Mayor Craft denied the illegality, stating he would explain and called on Randy Roberts and Chief Administrative Officer Jay LaSoyne. Mr. LaSoyne stated that the Board of Ethics was called and confirmed that a brother-in-law is not considered immediate family under ethics law. Randy

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Roberts stated that the individual did an outstanding job on getting the Christmas decorations painted. After further discussions on the nepotism accusations and confirming that records requests are being responded to in a timely manner, the Mayor moved on with the Agenda.

The Mayor then announced that Agenda Item No. 1 is the presentation of the financial statement for December 2024 by Debra Moak, CPA, and Municipal Accountant. Ms. Moak began by explaining the various fund balances, which summaries included a comparison of actual expenses to budget expenses. Following that, the summary sheets, previously given to the Aldermen, were reviewed in detail, including a report on the positive and negative fund balances and indicated the net changes in the various funds. She then reported on which revenues are under budget and which are over budget at this time. Following that, she brought the Aldermen up to date on several items of interest, which items included: cash in the bank; investments; total assets and liabilities; combined revenues and expenses. There being no questions or comments, the Mayor thanked Mrs. Moak for her usual thorough presentation.

Agenda Item No. 2 was presentation on the placement of an 80 foot flag pole inside Town limits. Sabrina Dore presented the placement of an 80-foot flag pole inside the city limits. She stated that the 80-foot flag pole will be installed on private property with private funding, making sure to emphasize that the Town of Vidalia is not sponsoring or paying for this project. The pole will be 80 feet tall above ground, with an additional 10 feet in the ground. She gave a detailed presentation explaining the American Flat installation process, flag specifics and flag pole dimensions. The Mayor thanked her for her presentation and the Board agreed that the flag pole would be a great addition to the Town.

Agenda Item No. 3 was Board discussion and vote on approval of Sign Applications. The only application was that of MedCentris located at 4014 Carter Street in Vidalia. A motion was made by Alderman McCoy, seconded by Alderman Smith and unanimously carried.

Agenda Item No. 4 was Board discussion and vote on approval of renewal of contract with Daupler Notification System for utility outages. Dustin Hinkle gave a presentation of the current Daupler System stating that the Town has branded the system as the Vidalia Communication System that started in late June, early July in 2025. Mr. Hinkle presented data over a six-month span, which included 237 reports, emergency calls, hotspot locations and crew performances. His report also included January 2026 stats during the ice storm. Mr. Hinkle stated that citizens can sign up to receive notifications and report incidents. When reporting incidents, citizens can include pictures of problem areas which in turn is a big help for the utility workers. A motion to approve the Daupler Notification System for a 5-year contract in the amount of \$37,289, was made by Alderman McCoy, seconded by Alderman Smith and unanimously carried.

Agenda Item No. 5 was Board discussion and vote of approval on bids for a bucket truck. The bucket truck is a 2007 International 4300. There were two bids which consisted of JJ Merchant in the amount of \$6,277.77 and Ford Tree Work in the amount of \$10,000. A motion was made by Alderman Betts to accept the bid for Ford Tree Work, seconded by Alderman Gardner and unanimously carried.

Agenda Item No. 6 was Board discussion and vote on approval to appoint Barrett Arthur to the Port Commission. Mayor Craft stated that Brandon Arthur is stepping down from the Port Commission and wanted his brother Barrett Arthur to take his place. The Mayor also stated that Barrett Arthur has plenty of farming experience and would be a great asset. A motion to appointing Barrett Arthur to the Port Commission was made by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman McCoy and unanimously carried.

Agenda Item No. 7 was Mayor Reports. The Mayor stated that he met with Jordan Farmer, Chris Cothorn and Mike Bolen with the Rec Board to look at the old ballparks in regards to repairs. The Recreation District Board will put together a budget and present it to the Council. Chris Cothorn spoke about the need to make the old ballparks accessible and lit. The Mayor moved on to the Slough Project and Pumping Station, stating that the completion date is set for March 15, 2026. The Mayor proceeded to give an update on Polk Park. He stated that the playground is in place except for the surface, splash pad equipment is being installed, fitness court, walking trails, curb and gutters are finished and pickle ball courts are to be completed soon. The pond has been expanded with rip rap and piers extended. Water will be added and fish will be restocked closer to completion. Basketball courts will be resurfaced in the next two weeks; bathrooms will be available for the splash pad and playground. The playground will be the largest in Louisiana with operating hours of 7:00a.m. to 9:00p.m. each day. The Farmers Market will be in front of the playground closer to the highway, which will be a 14,000 square foot pavilion with fans, bathrooms and an office. He stated that people can sell fruits, vegetables, arts and crafts. He stated that the Community Garden is being overseen by Alderman Betts and local farmers or growers can get a plot to grow plants or flowers. The Mayor moved on to the Water Plant Expansion stating that filter beds are complete with filter media, steel structure for the aerator is being built and the target completion date is June/July. He also gave a report on Water Wells, DA Big Lane and Concordia Avenue repairs, stating that bids for repairing DA Big Lane are expected to go out by the end of the month. A report on Blighted Property included that 14 of 35 properties have been rectified by home owners. The Mayor continued with the Tree Project, Convention Center repairs and improvements, and MLK signs and Memorial Day Marker. After discussion and being no further discussion, the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn.

Agenda Item No. 8 was adjournment. The Mayor then asked for a motion to adjourn and the motion to adjourn was made by Alderman McCoy, seconded by Alderman Betts, and unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Piarra Wilson
PIARRA WILSON, MUNICIPAL CLERK

/s/ Buz Craft
BUZ CRAFT, MAYOR

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer

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TRINITY MEDICAL

The Concordia Parish Hospital Service District Number One is seeing a response from individuals desiring to serve on the hospital board. Any residents of Concordia Parish who are interested in serving on this board should send a letter of interest and a resume to:

Concordia Parish Police Jury
4001 Carter St. Room 1
Vidalia, LA 71373

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PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS

The Concordia Parish Police Jury is accepting sealed bids for the removal and relocation of debris in Bayou Cocodrie at the entrance to Ferriday. The selected contractor will be responsible for pushing debris to the side of the bayou for Parish pickup.

Bidders must have access to a boat and/or other proper equipment necessary to safely and effectively complete the work.

Sealed bids will be accepted until **4:00 PM on Monday, March 23, 2026.**

Bids should be submitted to the Concordia Parish Police Jury Office at 4001 Carter Street Room 1 Vidalia, LA 71373, bids can also be mailed to the same address.

For additional information, please contact Mr. Maurice Bachus at 318-719-0653.

The Concordia Parish Police Jury reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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PUBLIC NOTICE VEGETATION SPRAYING REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS

The Concordia Parish Police Jury is accepting sealed bids for the spraying of vegetation beginning at Luke Martin Road and ending at the Brushy Bayou control structure.

Bidders must have the proper equipment and licensing necessary to perform vegetation spraying in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Sealed bids will be accepted until **4:00 PM on Monday, March 23, 2026.**

Bids should be submitted to the Concordia Parish Police Jury Office or mailed to 4001 Carter Street Room 1, Vidalia, LA 71373

For additional information, please contact Mr. Collin Edwards at 318-507-9376.

The Concordia Parish Police Jury reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 9, 2026 6:00 P.M.

The Concordia Parish Police Jury met this day in regular session convened. There were present the following members:

President Members	Cornell Lewis Maurice Bachus, Wilbert Washington, Adam Probst, Genesia Allen, Kenny Simpson, Kale Davis, and Red Tiffie
Absent Secretary/Treasurer Invocation Pledge of Allegiance	Collin Edwards Ariella Carter Maurice Bachus Wilbert Washington

The meeting was called to order by President Lewis Ms. Carter conducted the roll and a Quorum was declared present.

Upon a motion by Mr. Probst, duly seconded by Mr. Washington to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2026 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Tiffie, duly seconded by Mr. Probst to waive the absence of Mr. Kenny Simpson and Mr. Kale Davis from the January 27, 2026 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Probst, duly seconded by Mr. Bachus to approve the purchase orders, statutory reports, bank statements, and bank reconciliations as reported. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. James King addressed the jury in reference to having term limits set for the hospital board. Mr. King advised that stated that he has been on the board for twelve years, while others have served over thirty and twenty years. Mr. King also advised that they are paid to be on this board, and asked that the jury gets plenty of applications in hopes to find a new person to serve on this board.

Next up Mr. Guillory opened sealed bids for maintenance unit materials, only two sealed bids were received from Scott's Petroleum Corporation for bulk fuel and lubrication fluids. (All sheets attached)

Upon a motion by Mr. Probst, duly seconded by Mr. Bachus to award the fuel and lubricant bids to Scott's Petroleum. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Simpson to adopt a resolution to add Mr. Adam Probst to all signature cards at Delta and Concordia Banks. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Tiffie, duly seconded by Mr. Probst to apply for a used cab skid steer for the 2025-2026 LGAP grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Washington, duly seconded by Mr. Probst to authorize the President to execute any and all LGAP and CWF 2025-2026 documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Probst, duly seconded by Mr. Davis to cite the following ordinance violations:

Mr. Tiffie – 4097 Hwy 129 needs property cleaned up.

Work Orders from the Jurors were next brought forward. A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie, duly seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the following:
Mr. Bachus – clean up 161 Skipper Drive and the limb truck is needed on HWY 568.

The following updates were provided for Superintendent's Work Orders:
610 (yards) – 378 yds on Doty, 60yds on Poole Rd. (Monterey), 30yds on Luke Martin, 15yds on Haphazard, 34yds on Boggy Bayou, 34yds on Pete Davis Maintenance Gravel (yards) – 120yds on Phillip Field, 240yds on Ellard, and 30yds on Newman
A motion was made by Mr. Tiffie, duly seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the superintendent's work orders. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

Mr. Bachus asked for an update on the price of the rake to clean out the bayou entering Ferriday, Tony advised that he was still waiting.
Mr. Washington asked for updates on a grant writer, and Mrs. Carter advised that she called several parishes and Caldwell was the only Parish with a grant writer and they pay theirs 7% of the grants that are awarded. Mrs. Carter also advised that she and Mr. Lewis met with a grant writer that would propose going on a six-month retainer at \$5,000.00 a month. Mr. Washington suggested a finance committee meeting in March to take a look at the quarterly reports.
Mr. Simpson – advised Tony that trees had been marked on Florence Matthews for the barn to cut in order to have the new light poles installed.

Upon a motion by Mr. Tiffie, duly seconded by Mr. Bachus to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

CERTIFICATE

I, Ariella Carter, Secretary/Treasurer of the Concordia Parish Police Jury do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Concordia Parish Police Jury at which a quorum was present and participating on the 9th day of February 2026, in Vidalia, Louisiana.

Ariella Carter, Secretary/Treasurer

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRINITY MEDICAL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS January 27th, 2026 5:00 PM Board Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular scheduled meeting of the Trinity Medical Board of Commissioners was called to order at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, January 27th, 2026 by Board Chairman, Mr. Jim Graves.

II. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Fred Marsalis opened the meeting with prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Ingram.

III. ROLL CALL

A roll call revealed the following members present: Mr. Marsalis, Mr. King, Mrs. Lipsey, Mr. Graves, Mr. Butcher, and Dr. Ingram. Also present were: Mrs. Nekeisha Smith, Administrator, Mr. Spencer Holder, CFO, Ms. Jordan Murray, Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Lauren Guedon, COO and Mr. Joey Martin, Concordia Sentinel. Mrs. Neely Greene, COO and Mr. Ryan Crum were absent.

OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time, Chairman Graves opened the meeting to public comments.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Graves asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting on December 4th, 2025. The minutes were approved as presented on a motion by Mrs. Lipsey and a second by Mr. King. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

The November 2025 Financial Report was presented by Mr. Holder and approved on the motion of Dr. Ingram and a second by Mr. Marsalis. The motion passed unanimously when put to a vote.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Election of Officers and Executive Committee 2026

Open Nomination Forms were provided to the Board Members to nominate candidates for Chairman and Vice Chairman. The Board of Commissioners was prepared to proceed with a roll call vote; however, Mr. Fred Butcher offered a motion to retain the current officers, Chairman Jim Graves and Vice Chairman Fred Marsalis. Dr. Ingram seconded the motion. Upon being presented for a vote, the motion received unanimous approval.

The retained roles for Chairman and Vice-Chairman were as follows:
Chairman Election Results: Mr. Graves was elected as Chairman.
Vice Chairman Election Results: Mr. Marsalis was elected as Vice Chairman.
Mr. Graves, Chairperson-elect and Mr. Marsalis, Vice Chairperson-elect will be ex-officio members of the Executive Committee. The board members elected to the executive official committee will consist of: Mr. Jim Graves, Mr. Fred Marsalis, Dr. Ingram, & Mr. Ryan Crum

Next, Mrs. Smith presented the following Administrative Report to the Board of Commissioners:

Administrative Report

Updates

Transportation- We have started our free transportation services. Please be sure to pass the word to family, friends and local churches. If the patient lives in Concordia Parish and needs a ride to their appointments, have them call 318-757-6551.

5-year Anniversary – On Monday, February 23, 2026 @ 2:00pm in the Dietary Department, we will have cake and punch for our employees to celebrate 5 years of service at Trinity Medical. We are inviting the Board to attend.

Transformation Funding - Louisiana will receive \$208 million in 2026 for the first installment of transformation funding. We await LDH notices of funding opportunity (NFO) or grant application guidance. Louisiana's Primary Goals with this Funding

1. Strengthening the Rural Workforce
2. Health Technology and Interoperable Systems
3. Innovation in Care & Payment Models
4. Chronic Disease Prevention & Behavioral Health
5. Expand Care Access
6. Infrastructure and Capital Enhancements

We will keep you all posted as more information becomes available.

Mr. Fred Butcher- Mr. Butcher's term expires on April 26, 2026. In the past, the Board has sent a letter of support for the members that we would like to stay on for another term. If approved by the board, we will move forward with getting the letter sent to the Police Jury. We will also start running an ad in the Concordia Sentinel on March 25th, April 1st and April 8th regarding this open position on the board per the Police Jury's guidelines.

Mr. Marsalis made the motion in favor of sending the letter of support, and Dr. Ingram seconded that motion. The motion was put to a roll call vote, which revealed the following:

YEAS: Mr. Graves, Mr. Marsalis, Mrs. Lipsey, Dr. Ingram
NAYS: Mr. King
Abstentions: Mr. Butcher
Absent: Mr. Crum

With majority of the board agreeing to approve the letter of support, the motion passed.

ADDENDUM TO MINUTES

Mrs. Smith requested to make an addendum to discuss approval of Dr. Ingram's contacts. Mr. Marsalis made a motion to add this item to the agenda followed by a second by Mr. Butcher.

Approval of Dr. Ingram's contracts were motioned by Mr. Marsalis and seconded by Mr. Butcher. A roll call vote was conducted, and the results revealed the following:

YEAS: Mr. Graves, Mr. Marsalis, Mr. King, Mrs. Lipsey, Mr. Butcher
NAYS: None
Abstentions: Dr. Ingram
Absent: Mr. Crum

With majority of the board agreeing to approve Dr. Ingram's contracts, the motion passed.

VIII. MANAGEMENT REPORT

First, Mrs. Smith requested approval of 2026 Elections for Chief of Staff, Dr. Carrie Bonomo and Vice Chief of Staff, Dr. Huey Moak. Mr. King made the motion to approve with a second by Mr. Marsalis. The motion was carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Next, Mrs. Smith requested approval for reappointment for the 2026-2027 calendar cycle. The board was provided with information to review of the physicians and requesting reappointment. Mr. Marsalis made the motion to approve reappointment of the presented physicians/practitioners. Mr. Fred Butcher then seconded that motion. The motion to approve reappointment was carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Then, Mrs. Smith requested approval of Medical Directors for the following Radiology, Laboratory, Rehab, Emergency Room, Respiratory Care, and Pharmacy and approved on a motion by Mr. King and a second by Mr. Marsalis. The motion was carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Moreover, Mrs. Smith requested approval of Medical Staff Appointments for the following: Leland C. Lenahan (ER Privileges) and Oluwatobi Ozoya (Pathology Privileges). Mrs. Lipsey made the motion to approve Medical Staff Appointments with a second by Mr. Butcher. The motion was carried unanimously when put to a vote.

Finally, Mrs. Smith requested annual approval for Radiology, Maintenance, Ferriday Clinic, and Vidalia Clinic Departmental Policies and Procedures. Mr. Marsalis made the motion to approve Departmental Policies and Procedures for annual with a second by Mr. Butcher. The motion was carried unanimously when put to a vote.

IX. COMPLIANCE PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Compliance Report was presented by Mrs. Guedon and the motion to approve the annual compliance report was done in executive session.

X. APPOINTMENTS and RESIGNATIONS

On a motion by Mr. Butcher and a second by Mrs. Lipsey, all appointments and resignations were approved as presented. The motion was carried unanimously when put to a vote.

XI. STRATEGIC PLANNING

Mr. Graves made the motion to reserve the right to enter Executive Session. Executive session was entered with a motion by Mr. Butcher and a second by Mrs. Lipsey. Dr. Ingram made the motion to accept the Compliance Program Annual Report presented by Mrs. Guedon with a second by Mr. Butcher. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

No new business for the month of January.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Mr. Graves thanked everyone for their attendance and support. The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. King and a second by Mr. Marsalis. The motion carried unanimously when put to a vote.

JIM GRAVES, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:
NEKEISHA SMITH, CEO
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IN RE: SUCCESSION OF
JOHN LESLIE MYLES, SR.

7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
PARISH OF CONCORDIA
STATE OF LOUISIANA
DOCKET NO. 53,075 DIV. A

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF APPLICATION TO SELL IMMOVABLE PROPERTY BY PRIVATE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lois Celestine, Administratrix of the above succession, has made application to sell at private sale Decedent's undivided sixty-two and one-half percent (.625) interest in the following described property located in Concordia Parish, Louisiana, to Lois Celestine, as co-owner of the remaining thirty-seven and one-half percent (.375) of said property, pursuant to La. Code Civ. P. Arts. 3194 and 3195.

The terms of the sale are CASH, \$37,500.00, AS IS, WHERE IS, with waiver or all redhibitory vices and defects and waiver of all warranties, other than title.

The property to be sold at private sale is described as follows:

Lot No. 6 in Block 49 of the Bingham Addition to the Town of Vidalia, as per plat of said Town made by Babbitt and Sessions, recorded in Deed Book NN, at page 275 of the Conveyance Records of Concordia Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements thereon.

The municipal address of the above described property is 510 North Magnolia Street, Vidalia, LA 71373.

Any parties whom it may concern, including heirs and creditors of the Decedent herein, are ordered to make any opposition which they may have to such application prior to the issuance of the order or judgment authorizing approving, and homologating such application; such judgment or order may be issued after the expiration of seven (7) days from the date of the last publication of such notice.

BY ORDER OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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