

Police Jury Room
March 5, 2001
Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on March 5, 2001 with Mr. Ritter Trahan presiding.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Trahan, who asked that the meeting begin with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present:

Mr. Purvis Abshire,
Mr. Terry Bessard,
Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard,
Mr. Minos Broussard,
Mr. Kenneth DeHart,
Mr. Carroll Duhon,
Mr. Hubert Faulk,
Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, III
Mr. Louis Joe Hardy,
Mr. Mark Poche',
Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr.,
Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr.
Mr. Ritter P. Trahan.

Absent: Mr. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux

President Ritter Trahan called for any other bids in the audience to be submitted relative to the bid call shown on the agenda.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Jury closed the receipt of all bids for tonight's meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Jury authorized the opening of the following bids for tonight's meeting.

2001 Model, ½ Ton Pickup Truck for the Mosquito Control Program

Frenzel Motors - \$15,146.00

Bay City Ford - \$15, 624.00

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the contract be awarded to the lowest bidder meeting specifications.

Latest Model Spray Unit for the Mosquito Control Program

Adapco - \$7,062.50

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the contract be awarded to Adapco, being the only bid received, and the bid being in line with bids received in 2000.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the reading of the minutes of the February 20, 2001 meeting were dispensed with and were accepted.

President Ritter Trahan recognized Mr. Andrew Granger, Parish Chairman of the Vermilion LSU Ag Center Extension Office, to make their annual report. Mr. Granger introduced Mr. Mark Shirley, Area Aquaculture Agent; Stuart Gauthier, Associate County Agent, Horticulture and 4-H; and Judy Libersat, Nutrition Aide & Headstart Program Agent. Each agent provided a report on their 2000 extension service activities and assigned programs. Mr. Granger thanked the Jurors for their continued support. He also advised the Jurors that Agents will be crossing parish lines, i.e. Mr. Howard Cormier will be going to Iberia Parish for Rice production while an Iberia Parish Agent will come to Vermilion for Sugarcane production. Mr. Granger also advised that they have become involved in an Economic Development Initiative.

President Ritter Trahan read the following announcements:

- (1) Received a letter of appreciation from Mr. Timothy Roussel with the St. James Parish Council thanking the Jury for their support of his election as 3rd Vice President of the Louisiana Police Jury Association.
- (2) The Louisiana Public Risk Management Association will sponsor their 17th Annual Spring Conference on April 4 – 6, 2001 in St. Francisville, La.
- (3) The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, New Orleans District Office will host their "2001 Technical Assistance Program Seminar" on April 5, 2001 in New Orleans. There will be experts on the latest developments in EEO laws and how they can affect your managers and employees.

Relative to Announcement #3, the Police Jury upon motion of Mr. Terry Bessard, duly seconded by Mr. Carroll Duhon, and unanimously carried, authorized the Secretary-Treasurer, Michael J. Bertrand, to attend the workshop.

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Jury granted a "Letter of No Objection" to Texaco Pipeline, L.L.C., relative to their request for a Coastal Use Permit No. P001345, Corps of Engineers Permit No. WR-20-000-4440-0 and Water Quality Certification No. 000912-01 for work to be done in Election District Nos. 8 and 9. Proposed work is to install Rip-Rap to stabilize shoreline areas located at two (2) sites in Vermilion Bay and one (1) site in the Gulf of Mexico.

Parish Engineer, Mr. Gene Sellers, presented items for the Jury's consideration.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, relative to the FY'99 - North Vermilion Area I – Water System Improvement Project, the Police Jury approved payment of Partial Payment Estimate No. 9 in the amount of \$12,576.34 to the contractor, Stelly Construction Co., Inc., with costs to be paid from LCDBG funds.

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Kenneth DeHart, and unanimously carried, relative to the FY'98 – North Vermilion Area II – Water System Improvement Project, the Police Jury approved payment of Partial Payment No. 10 in the amount of \$8,000.00 to the contractor, Teche Construction Co., Inc., with costs to be paid from USDA funds.

Relative to permits issued to Bellsouth to run cable on private right-of-ways on parish roads with the exception of crossings, Mr. Sellers advised the Jurors of situations were they have come across cable buried in parish right-of-ways instead of in the private right-of-ways, which is not in accordance with permits granted.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Minos Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized that a letter be sent to Bell South to advise them of this matter.

Mr. Hubert Faulk inquired of Mr. Sellers about applying for emergency funds to expand the North Vermilion Water System to include the Indian Bayou area, in view of recent health issues.

Mr. Sellers advised that they have been in the process of applying for this area and are currently working on the feasibility study. With all of the media attention in Indian Bayou area, Mr. Sellers placed a call to the State USDA relative to requesting funding and was advised of available FHA emergency funds that could be applied for through a separate funding source on the National level.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the Parish Engineer to accelerate the application process and submit it to obtain emergency funds for the expansion of the North Vermilion Water System and into the Indian Bayou area in view of the recent health concerns noted.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Kenneth DeHart, and unanimously carried, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were approved as presented, and the appropriate officials of the Jury were authorized to carry out the recommendations.

PUBLIC ROAD COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 28, 2001
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PUBLIC ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 28, 2001, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that authorization be given to purchase 2 – Category 2 – 7' box scrapers with hydraulic lifts from Langlinais Tractor, Inc. at a cost of \$1,450 each. Being the lowest of three quotes received. Units to be assigned to Area 2 and Area 3 Road Maintenance.
2. It is recommended that the following invoices from Sellers and Associates, Inc. be approved to be paid:

FY'99 LCDBG Water System Project – North
Vermilion Area I

- A) Invoice No. 006018 - \$520.46
Basic Services During Construction
- B) Invoice No. 006019 - \$93.40
Construction Staking

FY'98 LCDBG Water System Project – North
Vermilion Area II

- C) Invoice No. 006017 - \$108.20
Construction Staking
- D) Invoice No. 006016 - \$602.93
Basic Services During Construction

- E) Invoice No. 005997 - \$417.00
Subdivision Review of Brett Subdivision
- Preliminary Plat; Streets and Drainage Plan

3. It is recommended that Mr. Carol Lee Thibodeaux be hired as an excavator operator and assigned to Area 3 Road Crew. Mr. Thibodeaux is replacing Mr. L.G. Matte position who retired in December, 2000. Hiring to be effective March 1, 2001.
4. It is recommended that the Police Jury accept the resignation of Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr. from the Waterworks District No. 1 Board of Commissioners effective as of February 28, 2001.

It is further recommended that Mr. Kenneth DeHart be appointed to fill Mr. Simon's unexpired term effective as of March 1, 2001.

5. It is recommended that the following state highway driveway permit installations be approved:
 - A) Angel Roy – La. Hwy 705
 - B) Ryan Broussard – La. Hwy 339
6. It is recommended that the Police Jury endorse the Southwest Pass Hydrologic Restoration project for inclusion in the 11th year CWPPRA nomination process.
7. It is recommended that the purchase orders listed on the attached sheets be voided.
8. It is recommended that the Police Jury request additional information regarding the Port of Iberia's request to support the deepening of the Commercial Canal – GIWW – Freshwater Bayou to a depth of 20 feet and a bottom width of 200'.
9. It is recommended that Mr. Curnal Cessac be reappointed to the Southeast Waterworks District 2 Board effective with the end of his current term effective March 5, 2001.
10. It is recommended that the Police Jury accept into the parish road system, those portions of Jodie Drive and Jade Lane that meet the requirements and subject to the necessary paperwork being completed.
11. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve the payment of the following equipment as soon as invoices are received:

- Langlinais Tractor, Inc.
 - A) 90 H.P. Tractor - \$32,600.00
 - B) 72" Rotary Side Mower - \$14,524.00
- Covington Sales and Service, Inc.
 - C) 50" Hydraulic Boom Mower - \$20,866.00

It is further recommended that the total cost be prorated from the following Road Districts:

- A) Road District Sub 1 of 2 - \$17,575.00
- B) Road District #4A - \$ 6,690.00
- C) Road District #7 - \$43,725.00

12. It is recommended that Health Unit employees Myra Toups and Milfred Simon be reassigned to the Abbeville Health Unit effective as of March 9, 2001.
13. It is recommended that Michael Vincent be terminated as the janitor of the Abbeville Health Unit site effective with Police Jury approval of the recommendation on Monday, March 5, 2001.

It is further recommended that the open position be advertised to be filled.

14. It is recommended that the Police Jury re-advertise to fill the open mechanic position.

Respectfully submitted,
Luther "Buster" Hardee, III,
Chairman

VOIDED B/O PURCHASE ORDERS:

<u>Purchase Order #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<u>Parishwide:</u>			
19242	4/19/00	Pumpelly Oil	Original Invoice Never Received
20466	7/12/00	Voorhies Supply	“ “ “
21340	8/30/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
<u>Parishwide – FRS:</u>			
18726	3/22/00	Vermilion Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
20084	6/9/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
20254	6/22/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
20262	6/23/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
20294	6/27/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
20324	7/5/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
21291	8/28/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
<u>Road District #1:</u>			
18436	3/1/00	Vermilion Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
18962	4/4/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
19250	4/20/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “

Sub 1 of 2:

18437	3/1/00	Acadiana Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
19564	5/12/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
19572	5/15/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “

Sub 2 of 2:

18213	2/22/00	Acadiana Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
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Sub 3 of 2:

18050	2/9/00	Acadiana Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
21911	10/2/00	Acadiana Shell	“ “ “
22002	10/5/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “

Sub 4 of 2:

18605	3/14/00	Vermilion Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
22764	11/29/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “

Sub 5 of 2:

18456	3/2/00	Otto Hebert Lumber	Original Invoice Never Received
19249	4/20/00	Acadiana Shell	“ “ “
22062	10/10/00	Vermilion Shell	“ “ “
20321	6/30/00	Acadiana Shell	“ “ “

Road District #7:

19158	4/17/00	Acadiana Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
19772	5/25/00	Minvielle Lumber	“ “ “

VOIDED PURCHASE ORDERS:

Parishwide:

18525	3/9/00	Franklin Supply	Original Invoice Never Received
18713	3/21/00	LaSalle Sharpening	“ “ “
19705	5/22/00	LaSalle Sharpening	“ “ “
20118	6/15/00	LaSalle Sharpening	“ “ “
22053	10/10/00	Meaux Lumber Co.	“ “ “

Parishwide – FRS:

20620	7/24/00	Vermilion Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
22371	11/2/00	H & S Construction	“ “ “

Sub 1 of 2:

21783	9/25/00	Sam Guarino	Original Invoice Never Received
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Sub 4 of 2:

19156	4/14/00	Acadiana Shell	Original Invoice Never Received
22657	11/17/00	Acadiana Shell	“ “ “

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Community Services Committee Recommendations were approved as presented, and the appropriate officials of the Jury were authorized to carry out the recommendations:

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 28, 2001
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 28, 2001, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury acknowledge receipt of the agenda and minutes of the February 20, 2001 Policy Council meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hubert Faulk, Chairman

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Rabies and Animal Control Committee Recommendations were approved as presented, and the appropriate officials of the Jury were authorized to carry out the recommendations;

RABIES AND ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 28, 2001
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A RABIES AND ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 28, 2001, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury establish a policy of a 21 day holding period for a dog or cat which is considered adoptable.
2. It is recommended that the Police Jury establish a policy that the Rabies Control Facility Manager is the designated person to determine whether a stray dog or cat is to be euthanized prior to the four (4) day waiting period when it is either seriously injured or is too sick to be kept thru the normal waiting period.

It is further recommended that appropriate release and authorization forms be prepared when an owner requests the Rabies Control Facility to euthanize their animal.

Respectfully submitted,
Purvis Abshire, Chairman

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Carroll Duhon, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury amended the Agenda to allow the Vermilion Cattle Women's Association to present their business at this time.

Mrs. Sylvia Trahan, spokesperson for the Vermilion Cattlewomen's Association introduced herself and Mr. Chris Greene, Beef Exhibitor; Mrs. Paulette Adams, President of the Vermilion Cattlewomen's Association; and Mr. Craig Adams, Executive Vice-President of the Cattlemen's Association. Mrs. Trahan requested that the President be authorized to sign a proclamation declaring March as Beef Month in Vermilion Parish to coincide with National Beef Month.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Hubert Faulk, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the President to sign a Proclamation declaring March as Beef Month in Vermilion Parish.

PROCLAMATION

BEEF MONTH IN LOUISIANA

WHEREAS, beef cattle production represents one of the major sources of income in the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana's Cattlemen's Association represents the cattle producers in the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the month of March has been set aside by the beef cattle industry to represent BEEF MONTH IN LOUISIANA; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Beef Month in Louisiana is to educate the Louisiana consumers to the problems involved in producing a continuous supply of wholesome, nutritious and high quality beef at a reasonable price; and

WHEREAS, increased consumer demand would mean expansion of the Louisiana beef cattle industry to where a greater share of Louisiana beef would be used in Louisiana markets, meaning more business for cattlemen, as well as grain producers and handlers, auction markets, packing plants, farm supply and equipment dealers and, indeed the entire State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Ritter Trahan, President of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, do declare the month of March BEEF MONTH IN LOUISIANA and ask all citizens of Vermilion Parish to join with the Louisiana beef Cattle Industry in its activities during the month.

RITTER TRAHAN
PRESIDENT

Upon motion of Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, duly seconded by Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury returned to the regular Agenda.

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Mark Poche., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized payment of Invoice No. 2001-072 in the amount of \$225.00 from Louisiana Parish Government Magazine for the ½ page ad placed in the Spring 2001 Magazine. (Previously authorized)

Upon motion of Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized payment of Statement No. 2032 in the amount of \$2,000.00 from The Sellers Group for preparing the Police Jury Buildings Plan Inventory Drawings.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Kenneth DeHart, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratified the architectural service contract between the Vermilion Parish Library Board and The Sellers Group to provide services for the Maurice, Gueydan and Erath Branch Library Construction Projects. Costs to be paid from the Library Construction Fund.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Terry Bessard, and unanimously carried, the Jury ratified a Vinous & Malt Liquors Permit issued to Charles B. Bowers to sell beer at the Red Rooster, 9407 U.S. Hwy 167, Abbeville, LA 70510.

Upon motion of Mr. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Mr. Mark Poche, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the following payments to Special Risk Insurance, Inc. for coverages for the Volunteer Fire Departments for the period 3/1/01-3/1/02:

- A) Automobile Renewal
Invoice No. 6136
Amount Due = 19,664.00
- B) Umbrella Renewal
Invoice No. 6135
Amount Due = \$1,853.00
- C) General Liability and Management Liability
Invoice No. 6137
Amount Due = \$5,396.00

Costs to be prorated to each department and paid from their yearly allocation.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Carroll Duhon, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the issuance of an Alcoholic Liquors Permit to Mr. Charles O. Daggett, Jr. to sell at his place of business identified as The Lakeshore Restaurant, 40532 Lakeshore Dr., Lake Arthur, LA. contingent upon this establishment meeting all of the Vermilion Parish Health Unit requirements.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the renewal of the annual termite control contract with Sterling Termite and Pest Control for the Erath and Gueydan Health Units. Renewal fee is \$100.00 each.

Upon motion of Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Carroll Duhon, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized payment of the following invoices to Minvielle & Associates, Inc.:

- A) Invoice No. 639
Amount Due = \$6,000.00
FY'99 LCDBG Program
North Vermilion Area I
Administration
Contract Dated April 29, 1998
- B) Invoice No. 640
Amount Due = \$6,000.00
FY'98 LCDBG Program
North Vermilion Area II
Administration
Contract Dated April 29, 1998

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury entered into the following intergovernmental agreement with the Ward One Consolidated Gravity Drainage District:

Legal Counsel, Paul Moresi, III advised the Police Jury that the Court of Appeals has upheld a previous ruling which dismissed the Preston M. Summers' suit against the Vermilion Parish Police Jury relative to the Alcide Drive Pump system.

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Terry Bessard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury, at the request of legal counsel, authorized the Secretary-Treasurer to sign an affidavit relative to a lawsuit filed by former employee Virgil Ruffin against the Sheriff's Office.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr. and Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr. were appointed to the Community Service Committee.

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, and unanimously carried, Mr. Hubert Faulk and Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr. were appointed to the Headstart Policy Council.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized that Mr. Roy Pontiff from the Port of Iberia Commission be requested to attend the next available committee meeting to discuss the proposed improvements to the Commercial Canal, GIWW and Freshwater Channel.

Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard advised that Mr. Purvis Boudreaux has left employment with the Police Jury and is requesting payment of his accumulated sick leave. The Secretary-Treasurer advised Mr. Broussard that this is not Police Jury policy. No further action was taken.

Upon motion of Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, duly seconded by Mr. Kenneth DeHart, and unanimously carried, that there being no further business to be presented, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Secretary-Treasurer

President