

Police Jury Room
June 4, 2001
Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on June 4, 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. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux,
Mr. Mark Poche',
Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr.,
Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr.
Mr. Ritter P. Trahan.

Absent: None

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the reading of the minutes of the May 10, 2001 Special Meeting and the May 21, 2001 regular meeting were dispensed with and were accepted.

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

Upon motion of Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, 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. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Jury authorized the opening of the following bids for tonight's meeting.

**REAR LOADING CONTAINERS
2.0 AND 4.0 CUBIC YARD CAPACITY
FOR THE
SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT**

Sani-Pak Environmental Industries	\$81,750.00
Wastequip Teem	\$49,845.90

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the award of the contract to furnish the rear loading containers for the Solid Waste Department to the low bidder.

**2001 ½ TON PICKUP TRUCK
FOR THE
SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT**

Bay City Motors	\$17,065
Frenzel Motors	\$16,257

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the award of the contract to furnish a 2001 ½ Ton Pickup Truck for the Solid Waste Department to the low bidder.

**MATERIALS FOR PARISH ROAD MAINTENANCE
FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2001 – DECEMBER 31, 2001**

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Terry Bessard, and unanimously carried, the bids received for the above materials were taken under advisement.

President Ritter Trahan read the following announcements:

- (1) Lorman Education Services will sponsor a one-day seminar on "Internal Investigations Of Employment Issues" on August 2, 2001 in Lafayette.
- (2) The Acadiana Youth Coalition and Workforce Investment Boards LWIA #40 & #41 will sponsor a forum designed to help develop a shared vision of the critical challenges facing youth in our region on June 5, 2001 in Lafayette.
- (3) Received notification from the State of the award of two Community Development Block Grants in the amounts of \$595,069 and \$593,586 from the FY 2001 Program Year Funding, for water system improvements in the North Vermilion System for Areas V and VI.
- (4) The Office of Community Development will sponsor a grantee orientation workshop on June 12 – 13, 2001 at the Holiday Inn-South in Baton Rouge relative to the above grant awards.
- (5) Received a notice from the Department of Transportation and Development advising that La. Hwy 335 will be closed Wednesday, June 6, 2001, for a bridge replacement at the Bill Canal Bridge which is located 3.8 miles East of La. Hwy 35 (Southwest Of Abbeville). Upon completion of this bridge, the Coulee Baton Bridge, which is located 2 miles West of this location on La. Hwy 335 will be replaced. The closure of La. Hwy 335 to replace both bridges is anticipated to be approximately 9 to 12 months. The detour will consist of La. Hwy 35, La. Hwy 14 and La. Hwy 14 Business in Abbeville.

Relative to Announcement No. 4, the President acknowledged that Mr. Carroll Duhon, Mr. Hubert Faulk and Mr. Michael J. Bertrand would be attending this workshop.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr., and unanimously carried, Item No. 7 of the Public Road Committee Recommendation was amended to include the following:

- D) Jeffery Derouen – La. Hwy 697
- E) Mark Landry – La. Hwy 685
- F) Chris Hebert – La. Hwy 338
- G) Paul Olivier – La. Hwy 14

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were further amended to recommend issuance of a pipeline permit to Seth Breaux to install a waterline within the right-of-way of Canal Road, south of Gueydan. Sellers and Associates will prepare the permit.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, Item No. 2 of the Public Road Committee Recommendations was also amended to add "That the cooperative agreement would be entered into contingent upon the Police Jury receiving approval from Mr. Steve Rabalais (Ms. Kay Gautreaux) defense counsel representing the Police Jury in the matter of Aaron Duhon, et al vs. VPPJ, et al."

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were further amended to add that the following persons be hired to fill the open driver positions on the Resealing Crew:

- A) Brock Bowen – Grade 9
- B) Damian Simon – Grade 9
- C) Doyce Soirez, Sr. – Grade 8

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, and unanimously carried, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were further amended to include that "Watch For Children" signs be installed on Towne Lane.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously accepted, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were approved as amended, and the appropriate officials of the Jury were authorized to carry out the recommendations.

PUBLIC ROAD COMMITTEE
MAY 30, 2001
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PUBLIC ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MAY 30, 2001, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the following invoices from Sellers and Associates Inc. be approved to be paid:
 - A) Invoice No. 006132 = \$1,072.84
Mark-up revised municipal precinct/Election District
Maps for Registrar of Voters Office

- B) Invoice No. 006143 = \$252.00
Prepare application for funding of water control structure on branch of Magee Canal.
- C) Invoice No. 006144 = \$393.00
Prepare Office Of Rural Development application for funding of improvements at the North Vermilion Youth Athletic Association Complex.
- D) Invoice No. 006070 = \$112.00
Preparation of maintenance and repair contract to the sewer treatment plant at the Law Enforcement Center.
- E) Invoice No. 006074 = \$431.00
Prepare specifications to furnish 5 cu. yd. and tandem dump trucks.
- F) Invoice No. 006075 = \$2,500.75
Prepare specifications, bid process and award of contracts for Materials For Parish Road Maintenance for the period 1/1/01 to 6/30/01.
- G) Invoice No. 006076 = \$140.00
Preliminary Plat review for Rose Garden Subdivision Development.
- H) Invoice No. 006076 = \$140.00
Maintenance dredging of Freshwater Bayou Boat Ramp Slip.
- I) Invoice No. 006073 = \$280.00
Prepare seismic permit for Eagle Geophysical/Seitel Data for area north of Kaplan.
- J) Invoice No. 006088 = \$210.00
Prepare notice of intent for general sanitary wastewater discharge permit for the Intracoastal City Fire Station.
- K) Invoice No. 006082 = \$398.75
Review permit and prepare letters of no objections for Corps of Engineers/Coastal Use Permits for the period 8/2000 thru 3/2001.

L) Invoice No. 006095 = \$325.00
Professional services for contamination issue for the Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant aboveground storage tank system and finalization of warranty items.

M) Invoice No. 006096 = \$210.00
Inspection for contamination issue for the Vermilion Parish Solid Waste Plant aboveground storage tank system.

2. It is recommended that the Police Jury enter into a cooperative endeavor/intergovernmental agreement with the Lafayette Consolidated Government and State of Louisiana – Division of Administration – State Land Office for the parishline boundary survey and determination subject to the inclusion of changes recommended to the draft document by the Road Committee.
3. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify the hiring of John Morris Saunier effective as of May 29, 2001 as a mower operator assigned to the Area 2 Road Crew. Mr. Saunier is replacing Wilmer Miguez who left for other employment.
4. It is recommended that the materials picked up at the shell yard site located at Forked Island not require scale weight tickets.
5. It is recommended that the Police Jury enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2-A to brushcut along a drainage ditch from Gladu Road to its outfall, a distance of approximately 400'. Police Jury to provide brushcutter and operator to do the project.
6. It is recommended that the Police Jury establish a policy that for culverts with a diameter greater than 48", which are installed as a cross-drain or replacing a wooden bridge structure, can be purchased and charged to the RRF- Bridge replacement/repair budget allocation, if the following conditions are met:
 - A) Culvert must be a 48" or greater diameter.
 - B) Cross-drain must be located in an existing drainage ditch crossing the road. (i.e. not an equalizer culvert)
 - C) Engineer required to do drainage study to size required culvert.
 - D) Request must receive prior approval from Road Committee and Police Jury.

It is further recommended that the two previous culvert purchase situations which occurred in Road District 3 of 2 and Road District No. 1 be authorized to be taken from the bridge replacement/repair allocation and the costs reimbursed to the respective road districts.

7. It is recommended that the following state highway driveway permit installations be approved to be installed:

- A) Clay Menard – La. Hwy 330
- B) Alfredo Delino – La. Hwy 330
- C) Betty Bernard – La. Hwy 330

8. It is recommended that the Police Jury accept the resignation of Mr. Sherrill Sagrera from the Fire Protection District No. 7 Board effective at the end of his current term which is June 21, 2001.

It is further recommended that Mr. Lee Bordelon be named to replace Mr. Sagrera effective June 21, 2001.

It is further recommended that a letter of commendation be sent to Mr. Sagrera thanking him for his years of service and contributions to the program.

It is further recommended that Mr. John Edwin Hebert be reappointed to the Fire Protection District No. 7 Board, effective with the end of his current term (6/21/01).

It is further recommended that Mr. Lane Gremillion be named to replace Mr. Sterling Noel on the Fire Protection District NO. 7 Board effective with the end of Mr. Noel's current term (6/21/01).

It is further recommended that a letter of commendation be sent to Mr. Noel thanking him for his years of service and contribution to the program

9. It is recommended that the following bills be approved to be paid as self insured retention costs relative to the Houston Simon accident:

- A) Abrom Kaplan Hospital - \$282.00
- B) Abrom Kaplan Hospital - \$80.00
- C) Abrom Kaplan Hospital - \$134.00
- D) Acadiana Bone and Joint Clinic - \$375.00

It is further recommended that any future charges or request for payments be forwarded to the general liability carrier for review and processing before payment.

10. It is recommended that the Police Jury accept the proposal of Coastal Environments, Inc. and award the contract to perform the environmental impact study of the deep water access to the Port of Iberia at a cost of \$199,977 with the understanding that the funding would come from the Coastal Energy Impact Assistance Program, or some other outside funding source.

11. It is recommended that the following charges be approved to be paid as a self-insured retention costs relative to the damage claim from an auto accident which occurred on April 18, 2001 with a solid waste vehicle and claimant A. Minnick:
 - A) Crawford & Co. - \$106.00
 - B) Alfred Minnick - \$2,003.00
12. It is recommended that the Police Jury enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2-A to correct a drainage problem in the area of Winfred Road and Grand Marais Bayou. Police Jury to provide labor and equipment to do the project.
13. It is recommended that The Sellers Group meet with the Jurors from Districts 1, 2 & 12 and the Area 4 Foremen to discuss plans for a new barn at the Area 4 Barn site.

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

In accordance with the Public Road Committee Recommendations, the following intergovernmental agreements were entered into:

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, Item No. 2 of the Community Services Committee Recommendations was amended to include authorization for Broussard, Poche', Lewis and Breaux to do additional work relative to the Section 8 Program for the fiscal year 2000 and 2001.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Community Services Committee Recommendations were approved as amended, and the appropriate officials of the Jury were authorized to carry out the recommendations:

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
MAY 30, 2001
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MAY 30, 2001, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury again notify all vendors, utility companies, consultants that, effective June 30, 2001, it will no longer be the sponsor of the Headstart Program and that all invoices for services or supplies shall be submitted in a timely manner.
2. It is recommended that the CPA firm of Broussard, Poche, Lewis & Breaux, be hired to perform an interim closeout audit of the Headstart Program for the period of January 1, 2001 thru June 30, 2001.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hubert Faulk, Chairman

Upon motion of Mr. Edval J. Simon Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratified the Acadiana Criminalistic Laboratory Budget for 2001 calendar year as submitted.

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratified the Section 5311 Monthly Activity Report for the month of April, 2001 which was submitted by The Vermilion Council on Aging and directing the Secretary to submit the report to the Department of Transportation and Development for reimbursement in accordance with the contract agreement.

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. Hubert Faulk, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury adopted the following resolution approving, ordering, and calling an election in the Sub-Road District No. 4 of Road District No. 2 on Saturday, October 20, 2001, to authorize the renewal of the road maintenance tax therein:

Upon motion of Mr. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury accepted a petition submitted by residents living along Eaton Park Drive requesting help to a ditch measuring 10' x 498' which runs parallel to Eaton Park Drive. The Police Jury also authorized to request the Gravity Drainage District No. 2 to look into this matter.

Upon motion of Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, duly seconded by Mr. Minos Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Cooperative Extension Service Office's request to purchase 12 tables at a cost of \$719.88 from Stine's.

Upon motion of Mr. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, at the request of the Clerk of Court, the Police Jury approved payment to Software & Services of Louisiana, Inc. for Invoice No. 32917 in the amount of \$750.00 to provide software to convert file data from the Department of Elections and Registrations to be used for Jury selection.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Hubert Faulk, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved of the issuance of a special events permit issued to the North Vermilion Youth Athletic Association sponsoring a Parent Softball Tournament on June 15, 16, and 17, 2001 at which time alcoholic beverages will be sold at Patriot Park, 11494 La. Hwy 699, Maurice, Louisiana. Proceeds will be used to support youth athletics.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Terry Bessard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the self-insured insurance deductible payment to Laborde & Neuner Law Offices in the amount of \$1,176.00 for legal services provided relative to the suit filed by Freddie Touchet, Jr.. Cost to be paid from Health Unit/Rabies Control Fund.

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury entered into the following intergovernmental agreement with Coulee Baton Gravity Drainage District No. 1:

Legal Counsel, Mr. Paul Moresi, III advised the Jurors that the current Med Express Ambulance Service operating permit would expire on June 8, 2001 recommended granting an extension on a short term basis in view of the proposed changes to the ordinance being considered for adoption in the near future. Upon adoption of the new ordinances Med-Express would be required to meet the new guidelines of the ambulance service ordinance.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the extension of the current Med Express Ambulance Service's permit for a period of three (3) months.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized payment to Frenzel Motors for a dump truck once inspections have been completed.

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Hubert Faulk, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury hired Mr. Dale Brodie Meaux as a part-time spray driver for the Mosquito Control Program

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the purchase of a new printer for the Public Works Department.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury hired Mr. Carroll Faulk to fill the open janitor position at the Abbeville Health Unit.

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis "Pee Wee" Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury appointed Ms. Suzanne Moore to serve as a commissioner on the Industrial Development Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. Hubert Faulk, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a pauper funeral allocation for Mr. Eldredge Primeaux made payable to Vincent Funeral Home in Kaplan, La.

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, that there being no further business to be presented, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Secretary-Treasurer

President