

Police Jury Room
November 5, 2001
Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on November 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

Upon motion of Mr. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the reading of the minutes of the October 15, 2001 regular meeting were dispensed with and were accepted.

Mr. Donald Sagrera invited the Police Jury and its staff to attend the Annual Inspection Day of the Tech-Vermilion Fresh Water District Pump Station to be held on November 30, 2001. Mr. Sagrera then introduced Mr. Jason Dupuis, Executive Director of the Tech-Vermilion Fresh Water District. Mr. Dupuis provided the Jurors with handouts showing operating statistics since 1983. Mr. Dupuis advised that in the last election for the renewal of the maintenance tax, Vermilion Parish supported the renewal by a vote of 68%. Also, since the Project began, it has always operated within its budget.

The Police Jurors thanked Mr. Dupuis and Mr. Sagrera for their efforts in providing fresh water to the area.

President Ritter Trahan read the following announcements:

- (A) Lorman Education Services will conduct a two-day seminar on State and Federal Personnel Laws in Louisiana on December 12 and 13, 2001 in Lafayette.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Terry Bessard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the issuance of the following permits:

- A) Project Permit No. 1198
Applicant: Amerada Hess Corporation
Election District No. 06
Purpose: To install and maintain one (1) 2,686 feet of 4-inch flowline. The proposed flowline will begin at Webster No. 1 Well and will tie-in at an existing facility northeast of the well site.

- B) Project Permit No. 1199-O
Applicant: McMoRan Oil & Gas, LLC
Election District No. 13
Purpose: To drill S.L. 340 #4, Block 207, South Marsh Island Area.

- C) Project Permit No. 1200-O
Applicant: McMoRan Oil & Gas, LLC
Election District No. 13
Purpose: To drill S.L. 340 #5, Block 207, South Marsh Island Area.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratified the advertising for bids to be received on Monday, November 19, 2001 for the next six (6) month supply contracts for Materials for Parish Road Maintenance.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Hubert Faulk, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the parish engineer and the Road Supervisor to review the list of ten (10) qualifying bridges for replacement and to prioritize the bridges to select the number of bridges which would be within the budgeted funds for Vermilion Parish in this current Federal Off-System Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement Program for 2001-2003, and to report to the Jury their findings at the next Road Committee meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were amended to ratify the authorization for Black's Pump & Water Well to re-drill the water well at the Area 2 Satellite Barn in the Esther Area at a cost of \$3,500.00.

Upon motion of Mr. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were further amended to approve payment to Babineaux Repair Shop in the amount of \$1,263.25 for repairs to Unit 1-1166, as per their quote.

Upon motion of Mr. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were further amended to authorize Mr. C. J. Bertrand and Mrs. Ann Dozier to attend the Louisiana Local Technical Assistance Program's course on Bridge Maintenance and Safety Inspection.

Upon motion of Mr. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Public Road Committee Recommendations were further amended to approve a state highway driveway installation permit for Hazel Durke on U.S. Hwy 167.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Edval J. Simon, 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
OCTOBER 30, 2001
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

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

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury adopt a resolution to amend the current Vermilion Parish Emergency Operations Plan to include a Terrorist Incident Program plan.
2. It is recommended that the search committee to review the applications for the open Janitor position at the Courthouse be made up of the following:

Jurors: Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, Mr. Purvis Abshire,
Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr. and Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee
Others: Mr. Jay Guidry

It is further recommended that Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee be appointed as chairman of the committee.

3. It is recommended that Partial Payment No. 1 in the amount of \$75,763.58 be approved to be paid to H & S Construction. Payment represents 100 percent of the work as complete less the retainage relative to the Road Improvements in District No. 9 Projects.

It is further recommended that the Police Jury approve Contract Change Order No. 1 which represents an increase of \$613.76, and reflects the adjustment of contract quantities to as-built quantities.

It is further recommended that the Police Jury adopt a Resolution of Acceptance of the Road Improvements in District No. 9 Projects accepting the work as being complete and authorizing the President to execute a Notice of Acceptance of the project.

4. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify entering into a contract with H & S Construction Co., at a cost of \$39,870.20 to do a project identified as Road Improvements in District 9, Phase 2.

It is further recommended that the Police Jury approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$35,883.18 be approved to be paid. Payment represents 100% of the work as complete less the retainage relative to the Road Improvements in District 9, Phase 2 Project.

It is further recommended that the Police Jury adopt a Resolution of Acceptance of the Road Improvements in District No. 9, Phase 2 Project accepting the work as being complete and authorizing the President to execute a Notice of Acceptance of the project.

5. It is recommended that the Finance Committee include in an equipment line item, the purchase of a two (2) post vehicle lift for the Public Works Mechanic Shop. Estimated cost for equipment and installation is \$3,300.00.
6. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Road Superintendent to rent a used tandem roller to complete the current resealing program.

It is further recommended that the Police Jury advertise for the purchase of a used tandem roller.

7. It is recommended that a right-of-way instrument be prepared to accept the entire length of Jessie Road, into the parish road maintenance system, subject to the document being signed by the landowners.

It is further recommended that the Road Supervisor obtain measurements to prepare a plat and to plot on the parish road system map.

8. It is recommended that Mr. Archie Hebert be transferred from the Area 2 Brushcutter Operator to the Area 2 Sub-Road Crew.
9. It is recommended that "Watch For Children" signs be installed on Alwood Road.

10. It is recommended that the Police Jury issue a conditional letter of no objection to Kaplan Telephone Company to construct two (2) telecommunication towers, with the understanding that the towers will be constructed with a night visible beacon light for marking purposes particularly for the Police Jury Mosquito Control Aerial Spray Operations. The towers are to be constructed at the following locations:
 - a. Discount Tire Property, 3404 Veterans Memorial Drive, Abbeville
 - b. Acadian Contractors Property, 17102 W. La. Hwy 330, Abbeville
11. It is recommended that Invoice No. 2628 from Louisiana Testing & Inspection, Inc. be approved to be paid in the amount of \$376.20 relative to the Road Improvements Project in District No. 9, Phase 1 and 2 Projects.
12. It is recommended that the following invoices from Gordon Vice, L.L.C. be approved to be paid relative to work completed relative to the contracts awarded for the repairs to rural fire stations:
 - a. Little Chapel Fire Station - \$13,191.00
 - b. Meaux/Nunez Fire Station - \$5,070.00
13. It is recommended that the invoice from F & G Floor Fashions in the amount of \$752.75 for materials on hand ordered for work to be done relative to the contract for repairs to the Maurice fire department building.
14. It is recommended that Estimated Payment No. 2 from Lundin Roofing Company be paid in the amount of \$9,000.00 relative to the Fluid Membrane Roofing Contract for Various Fire Department Buildings.
15. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize Sellers and Associates, Inc. to apply for a Rural Development Grant for the LeBlanc Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$35,000 to purchase 10 sets of turnout gear and air packs.
16. It is recommended that the Police Jury adopt a resolution requesting the governor and the parish legislative delegation to support funding of the Rural Development Program to its fullest extent, of at least the amount allocated for the 2000-2001 Budget Year.

It is further recommended that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Police Jury Association of Louisiana.

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

In accordance with the Public Road Committee Recommendations, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLUTION
2001-R-43

WHEREAS, the Vermilion Parish Police Jury wishes to amend the Vermilion Parish Emergency Operations Plan to adopt a new section identified as the Terrorist Incident Program and designated as ANNEX T.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Vermilion Parish Police Jury does hereby authorize the adoption of the ANNEX T – TERRORIST INCIDENT PROGRAM Section and that this ANNEX be included in the Vermilion Parish Operations Plan.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was declared adopted.

RESOLUTION
2001-R-44

WHEREAS, the GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT provides local governments with an important source of funding for much needed local projects through the RURAL DEVELOPMENT FUND; and

WHEREAS, this source provides funding for small projects such as sewage repairs, improvements to fire protection, improving water quality, and the repairs or improvements of streets, roads, drainage, etc.; and

WHEREAS, these funds are generally matched with other local funds to make the project viable and therefore provides a local cost share in the project development; and

WHEREAS, over the years the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, as the applying agency has seen these grant funds allocated for numerous worthwhile projects, which have helped to improve the quality of life for both the young and elderly residents of Vermilion Parish.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, that the Honorable Governor of Louisiana, Murphy J. "Mike" Foster, and the Vermilion Parish Legislative Delegation, be and are hereby respectfully requested to support the continued funding of this program to the fullest extent possible.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jurors went into executive session at 7:14 p.m. to discuss pending litigation.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jurors returned to regular session at 7:42 p.m.

Upon motion of Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Mark Poche, with Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard and Mr. Louis Joe Hardy opposing, the Community Services Committee Recommendations were amended to approve payment of Invoice No. 2001-4-Section 8 to Ms. Kathy Prejean in the amount of \$9,600.00. Invoice represents consultant fees for the month of October, 2001, and to set a limit of \$5,000.00 per month for her consulting fees for the months of November and December.

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., with Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard and Mr. Louis Joe Hardy opposing, the Community Services Committee Recommendations were further amended to approve a salary increase of \$800.00 per month for Mrs. Sarah Briggs for the months of November and December, 2001.

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., with Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard and Mr. Louis Joe Hardy opposing, the Community Services Committee Recommendations were further amended to terminate the employment of Mr. Mitch Veazey from the Section 8 Program, effective immediately from Office of Community Services and by same action that he be retained as the employee to operate the Commodity Distribution Program until the end of the year.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Terry Bessard, 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
OCTOBER 30, 2001
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

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

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the reimbursement of \$65,504.00 to the Department of Housing and Urban Development from the Office of Community Service – Section 8 Program Account. Amount represents a refund of the difference between the actual expenditures and monies that was advanced to the Police Jury on a monthly basis for the 2000 program year.
2. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve the submittal of the responses to the findings shown in the Section 8 Management Review letter sent by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
3. It is recommended that Invoice No. 2001-VPOCS-03 from the Vermilion Parish Office Of Community Service in the amount of \$11,790.20 be approved to be paid.

Invoice represents the difference between the actual administrative cost to operate the Section 8 Program less the administrative fees earned for the period September 1, 2001 thru September 30, 2001.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hubert Faulk, Chairman

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. Minos Broussard, 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
OCTOBER 30, 2001
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A RABIES AND ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 30, 2001, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Rabies Control Manager be authorized to obtain information from the Sheriff regarding the procedures for animal wardens to be able to issue citations to violators of the leash law.
2. It is recommended that the Police Jury enter into a cooperative agreement with the USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services to provide beaver/coyote/nuisance wildlife management for the 2002 Program year.

It is further recommended that the President be authorized to sign the cooperative agreement with a projected budget of \$44,394.00.

Respectfully submitted,
Purvis Abshire, Chairman

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Kenneth DeHart, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratified the Section 5311 Monthly Activity Report for the month of September, 2001, and the revised report for the month of August, 2001, as 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. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratified the issuance of an Alcoholic Liquors Permit to Tandra Sands to sell alcoholic beverages at "The Dock" located at 25154 La. Hwy 333 in Intracoastal City.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury adopted the following resolution providing for the canvassing of the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in Sub-Road District No. 4 of Road District No. 2 on Saturday, October 20, 2001, and to authorize the renewal of the levy of the special tax therein:

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. 1011-1 in the amount of \$17,679.50 to B & L Homes for building repair work done at the Indian Bayou Volunteer Fire Station.

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the President to sign all necessary documents to designate themselves as the local applicant for the permitting process relative to the Pecan Island Terrace Creation Project (ME-14).

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Terry Bessard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved pauper funeral allocations for the following:

- A) Wallace Montgomery - payable to Raphael Funeral Home
- B) Vera Stewart - payable to Fletcher Funeral Home

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the award of contracts to the following for the construction of the new Area 4 Barn:

- A) Southern Structures
Materials = \$10,699.00

 - B) Gordon Vice, L.L.C.
 - Labor to Erect Slab and Building = \$12,475.00
 - Labor to Construct Pump Shed = \$ 4,195.00
 - Labor to Construct Washer Shed = \$ 7,995.00
- TOTAL = \$26,665.00

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Minos Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized that a notice be advertised advising the closure of Andre Road beginning November 13, 2001 for a period of six months to allow for the construction of a new bridge.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Edwin Renard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the transfer of Mr. Edwin Renard from the Area 1 Road Crew to the Area 4 Road Crew to fill the vacant position on that crew.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized that Mr. Mitch Veazey be included in the applicants to be interviewed to fill the open janitor position at the Courthouse.

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Terry Bessard, and unanimously carried, that there being no further business to be presented, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Secretary-Treasurer

President