

Police Jury Room
October 24, 2005
Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a special meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on October 24, 2005 with Mr. Hubert J. Faulk presiding.

The meeting was called to order by President Faulk, who asked Juror Luther "Buster" Hardee, III, to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the pledge, the President asked for a moment of silent prayer or reflection.

The following members were present:

Mr. Minos Broussard	Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, III	Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr.
Mr. Maxwell Chreene	Mr. David C. Mayard	Mr. Edval Simon, Jr.
Mr. Hubert Faulk	Mr. Ravis Menard	Mr. Wayne Touchet
Mr. Gaulman Gaspard	Mr. Mark Poche`	

Members Absent: Mr. Carroll Duhon, Mr. Ronald Darby and Mr. Purvis Abshire

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Mark Poche`, and unanimously carried, the readings of the minutes of the special meeting of October 19, 2005 were dispensed with and were accepted.

The Secretary/Treasurer, Mr. Clay P. Menard informed the Jury that the demolition and private property debris removal process has not started, waiting for FEMA's interpretation of the process.

Mr. Menard informed the Jury that District 13 Volunteer Fire Department responded to a fire in Pecan Island and a dozer that Mr. Dwight Andrus, III rented was used by the operator of the dozer to help with the fire and was trapped in the marsh. The operator helped out on his own free will and was not told to do so.

Mr. Menard advised the Jury that the Vermilion Parish Hazard Mitigation plan was approved by the state.

Mr. Menard advised the Jury that a conference call is scheduled for Thursday, October 27, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. with the Jury, Senator David Vitter and FEMA.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche`, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to close Chassion Road on Friday, October 28, 2005, from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. for a parade sponsored by the Lighthouse Christian Academy.

Mr. Menard informed the Jury that President Bush has approved extending Category A & B reimbursement by 30 days, which means that the emergency disaster assistance such as debris removal and emergency protective measures will continue at 100 percent reimbursement for local governments and continues through midnight on November 26, 2005, and the Federal Share of costs for permanent work for categories C-G is being increase retroactively to 90 percent instead of 75 percent.

Upon motion of Mr. Maxwell Chreene, duly seconded by Mr. Gaulman Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to ratify payment of Invoice No. 12815 to Frenzel Motors, Inc. in the amount of \$92,743.38 for a 2006, 7400 International Dump Truck for the Solid Waste Plant.

Mr. Menard advised the Jury that the U. S. Coast Guard informed Mr. Menard that a staging area is needed to dispose of the vessels found from Hurricane Rita and FEMA will not pay for the staging area.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche`, duly seconded by Luther "Buster" Hardee, III, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized their Legal Counsel to get in touch with Lloyd Campisi Insurance involving the employees health insurance with United Health Care.

The Jury and the Solid Waste Supervisor discussed purchasing a 2nd hand compactor for the Solid Waste Plant

Mr. Dan Boyle with FEMA, Public Assistant Coordinator addressed the Jury about the FEMA policies. They will need a copy of insurance policies for reimbursement for Fire Departments damaged by Hurricane Rita.

Mr. Menard informed the Jury a check was received from VFIS on October 20, 2005, in the amount of \$1,537.00 for towing charges for Unit No. 1401 which is a 1977 International Pumper for the Seventh Ward Fire Department.

Mr. Menard advised the Jury that a meeting is scheduled with FEMA to discuss housing and permits, at 10:00 a.m. in the Police Jury meeting room on October 25, 2005.

Mr. Mark Poche` opened a discussion on the Erath City Court Building, and asked that the cost of the repairs not to exceed \$50,000.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, III, duly seconded by Mr. Gaulman Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury directed the Secretary/Treasurer not to spend any money on cemeteries until the Jury receives a clarification on what will be reimbursed.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the Secretary/Treasurer to apply for a Community Disaster (CDL) Loan in view of Hurricane Rita.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Maxwell Chreene, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to reschedule the Household Hazard Waste Collection Day at a later date, in view of Hurricane Rita's damages.

Mr. Menard informed the Jury that on Wednesday, October 26, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. the Governor's Task Force will meet in Baton Rouge to discuss Long Term Recovery Plan.

Upon motion of Mr. Maxwell Chreene, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized The Sellers Group to ask for a 60 day extension for the plans to be resubmitted for the Multi Purpose Community Center.

Legal Counsel, Mr. Paul Moresi, III informed the Jury that he will meet with the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers on the AGMAC Channel Project.

Mr. Hubert J. Faulk informed the Jury that he has a meeting with railroad officials on Wednesday, October 26, 2005, to discuss the damage done by Hurricane Rita.

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

Secretary-Treasurer

President