

Police Jury Room
February 5, 2007
Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on February 5, 2007, with President Luther "Buster" Hardee, III presiding.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Hardee, who asked Mr. Hubert J. Faulk 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. Purvis Abshire	Mr. Hubert Faulk	Mr. Mark Poche`
Mr. Minos Broussard	Mr. Gaulman Gaspard	Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr.
Mr. Maxwell Chreene	Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, III	Mr. Wayne Touchet
Mr. Ronald Darby	Mr. David C. Mayard	Mr. Edval J. Simon, Jr.
Mr. Carroll Duhon	Mr. Ravis Menard	

Absent: None

President Hardee asked if there were any outstanding bids left in the audience to be turned in relative to the construction of the "New Fire Station Facilities For Pecan Island and Forked Island."

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Gaulman Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to close acceptance of bids for the "New Fire Station Facilities For Pecan Island and Forked Island."

President Hardee recognized those persons who had requested time on the agenda to present their business at this time.

Ms. Simone Champagne thanked the Jury to allow her to speak tonight and is proud to be here to announce her candidacy for State Representative in District 49. Ms. Champagne gave a recap of her background. She looks forward to representing Vermilion Parish in Baton Rouge and asked the Jury for their consideration.

Ms. Rachel LeCompte with The Road Home Program passed out handouts and presented an update. Ms. LaCompte introduced Mr. Joe Bold who is the Team Leader at the Housing Center in Erath. Ms. LaCompte addressed the Home Owner Program and Small Rental Property Program.

Upon motion by Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized additions/changes to the agenda to allow Ms. Cynthia Romero and Mr. Michael J. Bertrand, Registrar of Voters to address the Jury.

Ms. Cynthia Romero addressed the Jury about her son hitting a pothole in his truck on Bienville Road. Ms. Romero presented pictures of the holes in the road, and wants to

know what can be done about this situation. Ms. Romero informed the Jury that she has an estimate to repair her son's truck at an approximate cost of \$600.00.

Mr. Paul Moresi, III, Legal Counsel advised Ms. Romero to have her son write a narrative description of what, when and where it happened, and send it to the Police Jury. Mr. Moresi will review the narrative and will get with the Road Supervisor and then he will give the Jury a legal opinion as to whether or not the Jury is legally liable for it and then the Jury will make a decision on it.

Mr. Carroll Duhon explained to Ms. Romero that the Parish has had a lot of rain in the past few months and they have a lot of pot holes on the roads through out the Parish. Mr. Duhon stated that with the crew the Parish has now, it will take a while to get roads repaired.

Mr. Michael J. Bertrand, Registrar of Voters addressed the Jury about the upcoming elections and passed out handouts. Mr. Bertrand informed the Jury that he is here to night to be more informative. The Registrar of Voters office has been asked to report to the people of our Parish to go out and vote an Awareness Campaign. He advised the Jury about the upcoming election and qualifying dates for 2007. Mr. Bertrand gave an update to the Jury on the upcoming legislative session that Secretary of State Dardenne will be promoting two major legislation pieces. Mr. Bertrand thanked the Jury for the opportunity to speak to the Jury.

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Gaulman Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to open the bids for the "New Fire Station Facilities For Pecan Island and Forked Island."

Mr. Eugene Sellers, Jr. with The Sellers Group opened the base bids and two alternates as follows:

"New Fire Station Facilities For Pecan Island and Forked Island"			
Vermilion Parish Police Jury			
A/E Project No. 06009			
Contractors	Base Bid	Alternate No. 1 Add:	Alternate No. 2 Add:
L. K. Breaux & Associates	\$732,500.00	\$21,600.00	\$32,500.00
Minvielle Lumber Co. Inc.	\$852,264.00	\$10,000.00	\$48,500.00
E. L. Habetz Builders Inc.	\$844,140.00	\$9,500.00	\$42,800.00

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to take the "New Fire Station Facilities For Pecan Island and Forked Island" bids under advisement.

Upon motion of Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Ravis Menard, and unanimously carried, the reading of the minutes of the January 22, 2007 meeting, were dispensed with and were accepted.

President Hardee read the following announcements:

- 1) The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers will have a Task Force Meeting on February 15, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. at 7400 Leake Ave. in New Orleans, LA

Mr. Eugene Sellers, Sr., with Sellers and Associates, Inc. presented various items for the Police Jury's consideration.

Upon motion of Mr. Maxwell Chreene, duly seconded by Mr. Mark Poche`, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the issuance of the following Project Permits:

- (A) Project Permit No. 1465-P to El Paso E&P Company, LP, to furnish and install approximately 9,414 feet of one 8-inch flowline to serve the Apache LA Minerals, Inc. Well No. 001, in Election District No. 09, contingent upon receiving the certificate of insurance.
- (B) Project Permit No. 1466-D to Marlin Coastal, L.L.C., to furnish and install proposed structures for the drilling of the Salsa Prospect, in Election District No. 09, contingent upon the emergency plan being approved from the Vermilion Parish Homeland Security/ Office of Emergency Preparedness.

Mr. Sellers also gave an update on the following equipment being specked out and the upcoming bids ready to be bided out:

- 1) 4 Non CDL Dump Trucks (Being Specked Out)
- 2) Self Propelled Chip Spreader (Being Specked Out)
- 3) Ordered Trailer Mounted Sewer Cleaner
- 4) 2 and 4 Yard Front Load Containers (All Ready To Be Bided Out)
- 5) Ordered the 3 Front Loader Refuge Trucks

Mr. Eugene Sellers, Jr. with The Sellers Group informed the Jury that Mr. Andrew Granger contacted him to look at the roof leaks and the gable end vents at the Vermilion Parish County Agents Office Building. Mr. Sellers met with three different contractors. Mr. Sellers contacted the following contractors:

- 1) Minvielle Lumber Company - (declined to bid)
- 2) Miller Roofing Co. - \$ 9,700.00
- 3) Pellerin & Wallace, Inc. - \$11,200.00

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche`, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury accepted the lowest bid to Miller Roofing Co., in the amount of \$9,700.00, to repair roof leaks at the Vermilion Parish County Agents Office Building. Cost to be paid from 2007 County Agents Budget.

Mr. Wayne Touchet would like to abstain from Item No. 14 of the General Needs Committee Recommendations.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert J. Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, Item No. 10 of the General Needs Committee Recommendations be brought back to committee.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche`, duly seconded by Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the General Needs Committee Recommendations, as amended, and the appropriate officials of the Jury were authorized to carry out the recommendations.

GENERAL NEEDS COMMITTEE
JANUARY 31, 2007
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A GENERAL NEEDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 31, 2007, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury reappointment the following board members to Hospital District No. 3:

Larry Dugas	2 yr.	2/7/2009
Sean Gayle	2 yr.	2/7/2009
Grace Flo Thompson	2 yr.	2/7/2009
Lester Foreman	2 yr.	2/7/2009
Nelson Marceaux	2 yr.	2/7/2009

2. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve the following invoices from Sellers & Associates, Inc., relative to professional services rendered:

- a) Invoice No. 9729
Date: 1/21/07
Amount = \$32,500.00
2006-2007 CIP Programs
Cost to be paid from the Parishwide CIP Program

- b) Invoice No. 9743
Date: 1/21/07
Amount = \$1,006.50
Hurricane Rita-Tabulation of Quantities at Solid Waste Facility
Cost to be paid from 94 Sales Tax

- c) Invoice No. 9744
Date: 1/21/07
Amount = \$216.00
Hurricane Rita- Demolition and Debris Removal on Private Property
Cost to be paid from General Fund

d) Invoice No. 9742
Date: 1/21/07
Amount = \$1,649.00
Hurricane Rita – Preparations & Aftermath
Cost to be paid from General Fund

3. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve to hire Mr. Donald Menard as a consultant for the 2007 Vegetative Planting Project, DNR Contract No. 2503-05-11.
4. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify the hiring of Mr. Paul LeBlanc as an Animal Warden at the Rabies Control Facility.
5. It is recommended that the Police Jury amend the Public Works Committee Recommendation for the Police Jury meeting of January 22, 2007, to reflect authorizing Sellers & Associates, Inc. to also prepare the necessary document to amend the Subdivision Ordinance, to add that whenever a subdivision is accepted, that the Subdivision Developer or Contractor be responsible for (5) years for the installation of culverts, black top and everything else that is involved for the development of a subdivision.
6. It is recommended that the Police Jury amend the Courthouse/Building Committee Recommendation for the Police Jury meeting of January 22, 2007, to reflect approving to hire Primeaux & Associates, Inc. and Paul Doherty as the 3rd Party providers for the inspection of commercial buildings in the Parish not permitting.
7. It is recommended that the Police Jury amend the Public Works Committee Recommendation for the Police Jury meeting of January 22, 2007 to reflect authorizing Legal Counsel to send a letter informing Wendy's Corporate Office that the Solid Waste Facility will service them 15 days upon receipt of the January 2007 billing and suggest Wendy's find a new service provider.
8. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify action to authorize Mr. Chris Theriot, Administrative/Secretary-Treasurer to be add as a designated applicant agent for the FEMA Public Assistance for the purpose of obtaining certain State and Federal financial assistance under the Disaster Relief Act (Public Law 93-288 as amended) or otherwise available
9. It is recommended that the Police Jury award the lowest quote to Roy E. Young, Jr., relative to a new burn site for the Solid Waste Program, in the amount of \$900.00 per acre per month and authorize the President to enter into an agreement for the lease.
10. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve to transfer the Parishwide Supervisors pickup truck to Mr. Keno Lege at the Law Enforcement Center.

It is further recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Administrative/Secretary-Treasurer to order a new pickup truck the Parishwide Supervisor.

11. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Rabies Control Supervisor to release a pit bull that was held at the Rabies Control Facility, back to its owner, Ms. Denise Dean, after she follows the normal regulations for redeeming the animal, at the Rabies Control Facility.
12. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize Sellers & Associates, Inc. to move forward with preparing plans and specifications for the purchase of a Steel Wheel Compactor, at the Solid Waste Facility.
13. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Administrative/Secretary-Treasurer to sign a letter of intent and renew the automobile insurance coverage for the period of 2/1/07-2/1/08, with Clarendon America Insurance Co., through agent – Burch, Marcus, Pool, Krupp, Daniel and Babineaux, Inc., at an annual premium of \$252,370.65.
14. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the President to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Public Safety, to assist in arranging for certified Third Party Providers (IBTS) to issue permits and enforce the state uniform construction code.
15. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve Partial Payment No. 2, to Jason S, Hebert, in the amount of \$22,804.00, for the repair of the Erath Health Unit, relative to damages caused by Hurricane Rita.
16. It is recommended that the Police Jury amend the Disaster Recovery Fire Stations Contract with Sellers & Associates, Inc., to add an additional \$960.00, relative to coastal zone project permit.
17. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel to send a letter to Mr. Cornelius Spraggins, relative to tree debris sitting on the side of a location off of Pine Street, Abbeville, Louisiana.
18. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize Road Supervisor to send out FRS Crew to repair pot holes in a driveway located next to the Vermilion Parish Health Unit, which is owned by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury for employee parking. Cost to be paid from Health Unit Budget.
19. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Administrative/Secretary-Treasurer and Legal Counsel to review the claim of Invoice No. MPM797893 from Deep South Surplus Inc., in the amount of \$5,000.00. Invoice represents payment of the deductible due relative to the damage claim of C. Judge.
20. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize to temporarily transfer Mr. Clarence Fusilier as Assistant. Foreman when needed with no pay, to assist Mr. Terry Bourque, while Mr. Dallas LeBlanc is out on leave.
21. It is recommended that the Police Jury amend the 2007 Budget for the Justice of the Peace and Constables travel line item from \$1,600.00 to 3,000.00.

22. It is recommended that the Police Jury award the lowest quote to Clark Mosquito Control, in the amount of \$1,966.00, to purchase one 12 volt ULC Cold Fogger for the Mosquito Control Program.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mark Poche`,
 Chairman

In accordance with the General Needs Committee Recommendations the following budget amendment 07-02 was adopted.

Budget Amendment 07-02

GENERAL FUND

Expenditures:

City/Ward Court:

Travel:

To increase the 2007 budget figure in the amount of \$1,400.00 for additional conference reimbursement for the Constables and Justice of the Peace.

The anticipated 12/31/07 Fund Balance is to be adjusted accordingly.

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Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche`, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury adopted the Budget Amendment 07-01.

Budget Amendment 07-01

SALES TAX & BOND FUND:

Expenditures:

Public Safety:

Fire Protection - Rural:

To increase the 2007 budget figures by the following amounts to include carry over balances from the 2006 allocation:

Indian Bayou Fire Dept.	3,166.83
District 13 Vol. Fire Dept.	2,321.22
Henry Vol. Fire Dept.	3,779.29
7 th Ward Vol. Fire Dept.	400.40
Little Chapel Vol. Fire Dept.	161.80
Klondike Vol. Fire Dept.	3,380.15
Leleux Vol. Fire Dept.	2,339.67
LeBlanc Vol Fire Dept.	512.52
Meaux-Nunez Vol. Fire Dept.	1,157.83

Capital Outlay:

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To increase the 2007 budget figure for an additional \$40,000.00 for purchase of a new parish tanker.

The anticipated 12/31/07 Fund Balance is to be adjusted accordingly.

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Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Gaulman Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved an elevation variance for Ms. Megan Boneski at 22815 South Cloma Road, Abbeville, La., 70510, to put a temporary trailer while her home is being built, relative to Hurricane Rita, in Election District No. 13.

Upon motion of Mr. Minos Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Edval Simon, Jr., and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. MPM797893 from Deep South Surplus Inc., in the amount of \$5,000.00. Invoice represents payment of the deductible due relative to the damage claim of Ms. Casey Judge for a Solid Waste accident.

Upon motion of Mr. David C. Mayard, duly seconded by Mr. Ravis Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratified to hire Mr. Nicholas LaSalle to the FRS Crew as a Grade 11-Tank Truck Driver.

Mr. Chris Theriot, Administrative/Secretary-Treasurer addressed the Jury about Meraiah Estates, that Champion Homes of Louisiana, L.L.C. has acquired the previously approved development in its entirety and desires to change the name of the subdivision to Chateau Vermilion and to rename the subdivision street.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Ravis Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury gave Final Approval to the subdivision development identified as Chateau Vermilion Subdivision, previously referred to as Meraiah Estates, in Election District No. 01 and authorized to rename the subdivision streets.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized Legal Counsel to prepare the necessary paperwork for the new burn site at Roy E. Young, Jr. property for the Solid Waste Program..

Upon motion of Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Gaulman Gaspard, with Juror Wayne Touchet abstaining, the Police Jury approved to hire Southern Inspection Services as the 3rd Party Provider for the inspecting of commercial buildings in the Parish.

Mr. Theriot also informed the Jury that we received two letters from Premier Organic Louisiana, LLC, requesting to receive local benefits on the State Enterprise Zone Program. Mr. Theriot asked that we allow Legal Counsel to review these two requests.

Mr. Paul Moresi, III, Legal Counsel addressed the Jury about a copy of the letter he sent to the Jury regarding the opinion on the Local Services Law, in reference to State Contract.

Mr. Chris Theriot gave a brief scenario on the purchasing of equipment under State Contract.

Upon motion of Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Minos Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to purchase with local dealers with up to a 3% mark up above State Contract price and not to exceed a maximum amount of \$700.00, to purchase 4 new pickup trucks, one regular diesel pickup truck, with long wheel base, for each of the following Area I, III, & IV Barns, and one crew cab diesel pickup truck with a long wheel base, for the FRS Crew.

Mr. Moresi asked that the Police Jury go into executive session relative to the written demand received from the Vermilion Parish Sheriff for the overflow of prisoners.

Upon motion of Mr. Gaulman Gaspard, duly seconded by Mr. Mark Poche`, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury went into executive session at 6:55 p.m.

Upon motion of Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr., duly seconded by Mr. Gaulman Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury returned back to regular session at 7:06 p.m.

Upon motion of Mr. Ronald Darby, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized Legal Counsel to meet with the Vermilion Parish Sheriff to make a proposal to resolve the overflow of prisoners in our Parish.

Upon motion of Mr. David C. Mayard, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Darby, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the Solid Waste Facility to have trucks available to pickup debris on a project for Phase II of an intergovernmental agreement with the Parish, City of Abbeville and Gravity Drainage District No.2.

Upon motion of Mr. Maxwell Chreene, duly seconded by Mr. Mark Poche`, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized to send a letter requesting the Army Corps of Engineers, to repair the levee at Schooner Bayou Locks, which is causing salt water intrusion.

Mr. Wayne Touchet discussed with the Jury about the City of Abbeville's old Police Station, that it will be demolished and discussed about the disposing of the debris.

Upon motion of Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Mark Poche`, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to furnish limestone for the road at the new burn site.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche`, duly seconded by Mr. Maxwell Chreene, and unanimously carried, that there being no further business to be presented, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Administrative/Secretary-Treasurer

President