

Police Jury Room  
February 4, 2008  
Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on February 4, 2008, with President Gerald Butaud presiding.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Butaud, who asked Mr. Errol J. Domingues to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the pledge, the President asked for a moment of silent prayer or reflection. The President then reminded all present to turn all cell phones, pagers, etc. off or set to silent mode for the duration of the Police Jury meeting.

The following members were present:

Mr. Dane Hebert	Mr. Errol J. Domingues
Mr. Chris Beraud	Mr. Gerald Butaud
Mr. Nathan Granger	Mr. Ronald Menard
Mr. Ronald Darby	Mr. Pervis Gaspard
Mr. Wayne Touchet	Mr. Leon Broussard
Mr. Mark Poche'	

Absent: Mr. Keith Meaux  
Mr. Cloris J. Boudreaux  
Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr.

Upon motion by Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, the following announcements were dispensed with:

1. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries will be holding a Task Force Meeting on Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. at the Louisiana Room, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge.
2. Received a letter from Mr. Scott Perry, Jr., District I Police Juror in Rapides Parish, announcing his candidacy for election to the Executive Board as a Member-At-Large of the Police Jury Association.
3. Received a copy of a resolution from the Caddo Parish Commission supporting Mr. David Cox as a candidate for a Member-At-Large seat on the Executive Board of the Police Jury Association.

President Butaud informed the Jury that Legal Counsel had requested Mr. and Mrs. John Vidalier be present at tonight's meeting to inform the Jury of a damage claim.

President Butaud asked Mrs. Vidalier to address the Jury.

Mrs. Vidalier informed the Jury that when turning onto Liberty Farm Road, where she resides, after a recent rain. She hit a hole in the road, causing her tire to blow out.

President Butaud explained to Mrs. Vidalier that Legal Counsel was not present at tonight's meeting, but her damage claim had been forwarded to him for further review.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol J. Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury dispensed with the reading of the minutes of January 14, 2008.

President Butaud recognized Mr. Eugene Sellers, Sr., with Sellers & Associates, Inc. to present any business he had to the Jury.

Mr. Sellers informed the Jury that at the last meeting, they had discussed the change order to blacktop the parking lot at A. A. Comeaux Recreational Park, subject to availability of funds in the District. After further study, it was found that Election District No. 9 did not have ample funds to complete the work.

Upon motion by Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Errol J. Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury rescinded the action taken at the Vermilion Parish Police Jury meeting of December 17, 2007 whereby the Police Jury approved to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to blacktop the parking lot of A. A. Comeaux Recreational Park and authorized Sellers & Associates, Inc. to prepare the necessary change order to include blacktopping the parking lot at A. A. Comeaux Recreational Park at a cost of \$37,275.00 in Election District No. 05.

Mr. Sellers presented a copy of a letter from American Tower Corporation for a Letter of No Objection to furnish and install a 355 foot telecommunication tower in Section 31, T-16-S, R-1-W, off of Louisiana Highway 82 in Election District No. 13.

Upon motion by Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the issuance of a "Letter of No Objection" to American Tower Corporation to install a 355 foot telecommunication tower in Section 31, T-16-S, R-1-W, off of Louisiana Highway 82, in Election District No. 13.

Upon motion of Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Leon Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the issuance of the following Project Permits:

- (A) Project Permit No. 1528-D to Forest Oil Corporation, to construct a drill site location with appurtenant structures for drilling and producing the SL 540 "B" No. 49 Well, in Election District No. 13, contingent upon the Certification of Responsibility being received and the emergency plan being approved from the Vermilion Parish Homeland Security/Office of Emergency Preparedness.
- (B) Project Permit No. 1525-D to Milagro Exploration, LLC, to construct a drill site location with appurtenant structures for drilling and producing the Alliance Trust Company Well No. 053, in Election District No. 14, contingent upon the emergency plan being approved from the Vermilion Parish Homeland Security/Office of Emergency Preparedness.
- (C) Project Permit No. 1526-D to Milagro Exploration, LLC, to construct a drill site location with appurtenant structures for drilling and producing the Alliance Trust Company Well No. 055, in Election District No. 14,

contingent upon the emergency plan being approved from the Vermilion Parish Homeland Security/Office of Emergency Preparedness.

Mr. Sellers requested authorization for the President to sign an intergovernmental agreement between the Vermilion Parish Police Jury and the Hospital Service District No. 2 so that the Police Jury can apply for Hazard Mitigation funding for the Hospital Service District No. 2, and if funded, to authorize the design and construction of the proposed project in accordance with the funding requirements.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol J. Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorized the President to sign an intergovernmental agreement between the Vermilion Parish Police Jury and the Hospital Service District No. 2 so that the Police Jury can apply for Hazard Mitigation funding for the Hospital Service District No. 2, and if funded, to authorize the design and construction of the proposed project in accordance with the funding requirements.

Mr. Sellers presented the Jurors with a copy of a progress report relative to the “2006-2007 Capital Improvements Program – Street Improvements”. Mr. Sellers stated that all but 4 districts are complete and all final quantities have been calculated. Mr. Sellers reminded the Jurors that there are still some punch-list items to be completed in a few of the completed districts.

Mr. Sellers also presented Contract Change Order No. 10 to adjust contract quantities to actual as built quantities in those districts that are complete. Mr. Sellers stated that the change order is a decrease of \$86,790.75, adjusting the contract price to date to \$4,618,283.66.

Upon motion by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, duly seconded by Mr. Nathan Granger, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Contract Change Order No. 10, to adjust contract quantities to reflect as-built quantities, for the “2006-2007 Capital Improvements Program – Street Improvements”. The change order reflects a decrease in the project in the amount of \$86,790.75, adjusting the total contract price to \$4,618,283.66.

Upon motion by Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert, with Juror Ronald Darby opposing, the Police Jury approved amending the Public Road Committee Recommendations to send Item No. 5 back to the Committee for discussion on the allocation of the \$1,950,000.00 received from the State.

Upon motion by Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, with Juror Ronald Darby opposing, the Police Jury approved the Public Road Committee Recommendations, as amended, and the appropriate officials of the Jury were authorized to carry out the recommendations.

PUBLIC ROAD COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 30, 2008  
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PUBLIC ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 30, 2008, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury table the item of blacktopping the parking lot and driveway at A. A. Comeaux Recreational Park until the regular Police Jury meeting on Monday, February 4, 2008.
2. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve removing Gallet Road from the Louisiana Recovery Authority Long Term Community Recovery Plan and adding the Amerada Road bridge and the Pioneer Road bridge to the Long Term Community Recovery Plan.
3. It is recommended that the Police Jury award the lowest bid received to Eustis Engineering Services, LLC in the amount of \$57,000.00, relative to pile testing for 15 bridges on the Louisiana Recovery Authority's Long Term Community Recovery Plan.
4. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve prioritizing the allocation of funds for Phase II of the Long Term Community Recovery Plan as presented by Sellers & Associates, Inc., contingent upon discussion with and agreement by the Vermilion Parish municipalities.
5. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve allocating the \$1,950,000.00 received from the State, and the matching funds allocated by the Police Jury, as presented by Sellers & Associates, Inc.
6. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve committing \$100,000 to repair the approach to the Robley Road bridge and sending Lafayette Consolidated Government a letter signifying the Jury's intent.
7. It is recommended that the Police Jury give final approval to the subdivision development identified as Rosewood Estates Subdivision, in Election District No. 03.
8. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve the issuance of the following Project Permits:
  - (A) Project Permit No. 1522-D to Northcoast Oil Company to construct and drill the Lena Meaux et al Well No. 1, in Election District No. 02 pending the receipt of the Certificate of Insurance and the Certificate of Responsibility and contingent upon emergency plan being approved by the Vermilion Parish Office of Homeland Security/Emergency Preparedness.
  - (B) Project Permit No. 1523-D to Triumph Energy, Inc. to construct and drill the Calcite Prospect, in Election District No. 11 pending the receipt of the Certificate of Responsibility and contingent upon emergency plan being approved by the Vermilion Parish Office of Homeland Security/Emergency Preparedness.
  - (C) Project Permit No. 1524-D to Yuma E & P Company, Inc. to construct and drill the San Gimignano Prospect, in Election District No. 13.
  - (D) Project Permit No. 1525-D to Milagro Exploration, LLC to construct and drill the Alliance Trust Company Well No. 53, in Election District No. 14 pending the receipt of the deposit, the permit and inspection fee and the Certificate of Responsibility.
  - (E) Project Permit No. 1526-D to Milagro Exploration, LLC to construct and drill the Alliance Trust Company Well No. 55, in Election District No. 14 pending the receipt

of the deposit, the permit and inspection fee and the Certificate of Responsibility.

(F) Project Permit No. 1527-WL to the City of Kaplan to furnish and install approximately 690 feet of one 2-inch water main to connect to the city's existing water system, ending with a tie-in at West Maraist Street and South Irving Avenue, in Election District No. 12.

9. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel to send a letter to the owner of Lot 1 in Victoria Acres Subdivision, requesting he clean the property as outlined by Ordinance 2005-O-09.
10. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify hiring Mr. Ricky Haney as a Mower Operator at the Area IV Barn at a Grade 9, Step 0.
11. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify hiring Mr. Steven Lege as a Truck Driver at the Area II Barn at a Grade 10, Step 0.
12. It is recommended that the Police Jury accept Ida (Pvt) Lane into the Parish Road System as a private road, in Election District No. 01.
13. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve hiring Mr. Donald Menard as a consultant for the 2008 Vegetative Planting Project, DNR Contract No. 2503-05-11.
14. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve a change in the cost of repairing the Murphy Road Bridge from L & R Construction Co., Inc. of Kaplan. Original specs called for twelve 6"x12"x24' stringers to be used, revised specs call for twelve 6"x18"x22' stringers. Quote increases by \$1,440.00, amending total cost to \$27,370.00.
15. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve paying Partial Payment No. 2 (Final) to M. Matt Durand, LLC, in the amount of \$28,215.09, relative to the "2005 Hurricane Rita – Prairie Road Improvements". Cost to be paid from Road District 7, Election District No. 09.

Respectfully submitted,  
Errol J. Domingues,  
Chairman

Upon motion by Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Leon Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved amending the Public Works Committee Recommendations to amend Item No. 15 to read, "It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize Mr. Matthew Trahan to obtain appraisals on the following Vermilion Parish Fire Stations:

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| (A) Meaux/Nunez   | (E) Indian Bayou |
| (B) Little Chapel | (F) Leleux       |
| (C) LeBlanc       | (G) Klondike     |
| (D) Maurice       |                  |

Upon motion by Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Nathan Granger, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved amending the Public Works Committee Recommendations to

add Item No. 19 to read, "It is recommended that the Police Jury approve paying the attached bills."

Upon motion by Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Leon Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Public Works Committee Recommendations, as amended, and the appropriate officials were authorized to carry out the recommendations.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 30, 2008  
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 30, 2008, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve the following appointments:
  - A. Mr. Dane Hebert – Vermilion Fire Protection Association Board (replacing Mr. Purvis Abshire)
  - B. Mr. Leon Broussard – Vermilion Parish Library Board (replacing Mr. David C. Mayard)
2. It is recommended that the Police Jury deny the claim of Ms. Carol Bradley in reference to a cracked driveway caused by a Solid Waste employee.
3. It is recommended that the Police Jury deny the claim of Mr. Rahn Broussard in reference to a cracked driveway caused by a Solid Waste employee.
4. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Administrator/Secretary-Treasurer to purchase a 1-ton diesel pick-up truck and a Rawson mechanic box bed from State Contract for the Solid Waste Facility. Cost to be paid from Sales Tax & Bond '76.
5. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Solid Waste Supervisor to purchase 2 automated garbage trucks for the Solid Waste Facility. Cost to be paid from Sales Tax & Bond '76.
6. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize The Sellers Group to prepare a package of furniture and fixtures needed for the Multi-Purpose Health Center to be presented to the Jury as an additional service to the original contract.
7. It is recommended that the Police Jury donate the District 13 Volunteer Fire Department mini-pumper to the City of Abbeville.
8. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Vermilion Fire Protection Association to start the grant re-write process to purchase 3 tanker trucks for Vermilion Parish.
9. It is recommended that the Police Jury table the issue of appointing Mr. Dane Hebert to the Waterworks District No. 1 Board and authorized Legal Counsel to request a ruling from the Ethics Board regarding this matter.

10. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize the Administrator/Secretary-Treasurer to send a letter recommending Mr. Keith Meaux to replace Mr. Ronald Darby, who is resigning, on the Vermilion Council on Aging Board.
11. It is recommended that the Police Jury enter into a service agreement with the Coulee Baton Drainage District No. 1 to mow a certain drainage from Pioneer Road to Lemaire Road. The Police Jury will mow the ditch in question with the equipment and labor they have available, and the Drainage District will return a similar value of service at a later date.
12. It is recommended that the Police Jury enter a service agreement with the City of Kaplan and the Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2-A to install culverts immediately north of the City of Kaplan. The Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2-A will use its equipment and operator for the project, the Police Jury will furnish and haul the necessary dirt and/or material to cover the culverts in question, and the City of Kaplan will acquire the necessary permits from the State Highway Department and furnish the necessary culverts.
13. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify payment of Invoice No. 13504 to Frenzel Motors, Inc., in the amount of \$108,800.64, relative to the purchase of grab trucks for the Solid Waste Facility.
14. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve reimbursing Ms. Cinnamon Salamone for the purchase of a new mailbox for 111 South Hollingsworth Drive in Abbeville, which was damaged by a Solid Waste employee. Cost to be paid from '94 Sales Tax.
15. It is recommended that the Police Jury get appraisals on the following Vermilion Parish Fire Stations:
 

(A) Meaux/Nunez	(E) Indian Bayou
(B) Little Chapel	(F) Leleux
(C) LeBlanc	(G) Klondike
(D) Maurice	
16. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve the renewal of the property insurance from VFIS of Miss/Lou for all fire stations in the amount of \$25,517.55. Cost to be paid from '76 Sales Tax.
17. It is recommended that the Police Jury sign a Water Users Agreement from the Magnolia Plantation Water System, Inc., to allow the City of Abbeville to install a water meter on lots 130, 131 and 132 of the Airport Addition Subdivision, relative to property owned by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury.
18. It is recommended that the Police Jury amend the '76 Sales Tax and Bond budget for 2008 as follows:

**BUDGET AMENDMENT 08-01**

**SALES TAX & BOND FUND:**

Expenditures:

Public Safety:

Fire Protection – Rural:

To increase the following fire departments 2008 yearly allocation by \$15,000.00, which is to be used for building/capital improvements:

Indian Bayou Fire Department	LeBlanc Volunteer Fire Department
Little Chapel Volunteer Fire Department	Meaux-Nunez Volunteer Fire Department
Klondike Volunteer Fire Department	Maurice Volunteer Fire Department
Leleux Volunteer Fire Department	

The anticipated 12/31/08 Fund Balance is to be adjusted accordingly.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Wayne Touchet,  
Chairman

Upon motion by Mr. Nathan Granger, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Finance Committee Recommendations, as presented, and the appropriate officials were authorized to carry out the recommendations.

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 30, 2008  
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 30, 2008, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel and the Administrator/Secretary-Treasurer to meet with the Economic Development Board for clarification regarding the Enterprise Zone Program.
2. It is recommended that the Police Jury award the renewal quote to Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc., for a total estimated premium of \$301,858.75, relative to automobile insurance for 2008.
3. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve to reimburse the Vermilion Parish Library in the amount of \$4,250.00, relative to paying the last installment for the re-roofing of the Kaplan Library Branch.
4. It is recommended that the Police Jury pay the Final Application for Payment to Miller Roofing, LLC, in the amount of \$9,800.00, relative to the re-roofing of the Vermilion Parish Law Enforcement Center. Cost to be paid from Sales Tax & Bond '78.
5. It is recommended that the Police Jury adopt the compliance questionnaire presented by Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, LLC, relative to the audit of the financial statements as of December 31, 2007, and for the period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

6. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve paying Invoice No. 0010675 from Sellers & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$260.00, relative to the preparation and printing of road district maps for each Police Jury member. Cost to be paid from General Fund.
7. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve paying the attached bills.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nathan Granger,  
Chairman

Upon motion by Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Leon Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Courthouse/Building Committee Recommendations, as presented, and the appropriate officials were authorized to carry out the recommendations.

COURTHOUSE/BUILDING COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 30, 2008  
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A COURTHOUSE/BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 30, 2008, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury award the lowest quote to Jim's Tree Service in the amount of \$4,879.00, relative to trimming and fertilizing the trees at the Vermilion Parish Courthouse and the Parish Government Office Complex (Old Hibernia Bank).
2. It is recommended that the Police Jury approve paying Invoice No. 1860 in the amount of \$7,630.00 to Vice Security, Inc., relative to the security system for the Vermilion Parish Courthouse. Cost to be paid from General Fund.
3. It is recommended that the Police Jury award the lowest quote to Nextel/Sprint in the amount of \$896.15 per month plus fees, relative to cellular phone service for the Vermilion Parish Police Jury.
4. It is recommended that the Police Jury advertise as rental space the 2 vacant offices on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Parish Government Office Complex.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Keith Meaux,  
Chairman

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the Rabies and Animal Control Committee Recommendations, as presented, and the appropriate officials were authorized to carry out the recommendations.

RABIES & ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 30, 2008  
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A RABIES CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 30, 2008, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION:

1. It is recommended that the Police Jury award the only bid received to Mr. Rocky Pitre in the amount of \$5,850.00, with 1/3 of the cost to be paid up front to offset material costs, relative to renovating the Rabies and Animal Control Facility to enlarge a room to be used for the euthanization of animals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald Menard,  
Chairman

President Butaud recognized Mr. Chris P. Theriot, Administrator/Secretary-Treasurer, to present any business he had to the Jury.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol J. Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Partial Payment No. 3 (Final Payment) to Vermilion Shell and Limestone, Inc., in the amount of \$2,909.60, relative to the "2006-2007 Capital Improvements Program – Clay Road Drainage Improvements."

Upon motion by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the North Vermilion Youth Athletic Association (NVYAA) sponsoring their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Poker Run to be held on April 26, 2008, at Patriot Park, located at 11494 Louisiana Highway 699, Maurice, LA, in Election District No. 2.

Upon motion by Mr. Errol J. Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratified payment of the following invoices to the St. Helena Parish Sheriff's Office, relative to the housing of Vermilion Parish inmates and for Legal Counsel to send a letter with the attached check to the St. Helena Parish Sheriff's Office, stating that the Police Jury is not binding itself to any rate by making the payment of the housing of Vermilion Parish inmates:

- (A) Housing of Inmates for October 2007  
Date: 11/28/07  
Amount = \$12,045.82  
Cost to be paid from General Fund
- (B) Housing of Inmates for November 2007  
Date: 12/11/07  
Amount = \$14,195.26  
Cost to be paid from General Fund

Upon motion by Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury accepted the resignation of Mr. Leon Broussard from the Gueydan

District Drainage Board, and appointed Mr. Kirby Henry to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Broussard.

Upon motion by Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Errol J. Domingues, and unanimously carried, there being no further business to be presented, the meeting was duly adjourned.

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Administrator/Secretary-Treasurer

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President