

Police Jury Room
July 7, 2003
Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on July 7, 2003 with Mr. Edval Simon, Jr. presiding.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Simon, who asked that the meeting begin with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silent prayer.

The following members were present:

Mr. Purvis Abshire	Mr. Louis Joe Hardy
Mr. Terry Bessard	Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee
Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard	Mr. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux
Mr. Minos Broussard	Mr. Mark Poche'
Mr. Kenneth DeHart	Mr. Edval Simon, Jr.
Mr. Carroll Duhon	Mr. Ritter Trahan
Mr. Hubert Faulk	

Absent: Mr. T. J. Prejean, Jr.

Upon motion of Mr. Ritter Trahan, duly seconded by Mr. Purvis Abshire, and unanimously carried, the reading of the minutes of the June 16, 2003 meeting were dispensed with and were accepted.

President Edval Simon, Jr. read the following announcements:

- (1) The next meeting of the CWPPRA Technical Committee will be held at 9:30 a.m. on July 16, 2003 in Baton Rouge.
- (2) The Louisiana Rural Health Access Program's Summer Conference will be held on July 17, 2003 in Lafayette.
- (3) The Louisiana Floodplain Management Association and St. Mary Parish will sponsor a workshop entitled "Practical Information on the National Flood Insurance Program" on Friday, July 18, 2003 in Patterson.
- (4) Lorman Education Services will sponsor a one-day seminar entitled "Cafeteria Plans 125 / COBRA In Louisiana" to be held on August 19, 2003 in Lafayette.
- (5) Received correspondence from The Port of Iberia acknowledging receipt of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury's conditional support of the Deepwater Access Project.

- (6) Received a notice from the Department of Transportation and Development advising of the award of an asphaltic concrete overlay project of a portion of La. Hwy 82 in the Pecan Island area beginning 7.62 miles east of the Cameron Parish Line and extending eastward up to La. Hwy 3147. This project is anticipated to be completed within 6 months, weather permitting.
- (7) Received correspondence from the State of Louisiana – Military Department – Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness advising that in accordance with recently amended Louisiana Revised Statutes, the Louisiana Office of Emergency Preparedness, and other parish, local and interjurisdictional emergency preparedness agencies are to be re-designated as Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Agency.
- (8) Received the Vermilion Parish Clerk Of Court's proposed operating budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004, which will be kept on file.
- (9) Received the Parochial Employee's Retirement System's 2002 Audit Report, which will be kept on file.
- (10) Received the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory Commission's 2002 Financial Report, which will be kept on file.

Upon motion of Mr. Ritter Trahan, duly seconded by Mr. Louis Joe Hardy, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved issuance of the following permits as presented by the Parish Engineer's office:

- (A) Permit No. 1248-D issued to El Paso Company to drill and maintain the BP America Fee Well No. 1 located in Election District 13 in Section 1, T-14-S, R-2-W (In Marsh, Off Florence Canal).
- (B) Permit No. 1249-O issued to Maritech Resources, Inc. to run 3,848 feet of One (1), 4.5-Inch pipeline. Beginning at SL 17156 Well No. 1 and ending (Tie-In) at an existing platform. Located in Election District No. 13, Blocks 4 and 17 (within 3-Mile Louisiana Territorial Waters).

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the issuance of letters of no objection relative to the following projects:

- (A) A letter of no objection to Talens Marine & Fuel to construct 276 feet of PVC sheet pile bulkhead to prevent further erosion in Election District No. 13.

(B) A letter of no objection to ExxonMobil Production Company to prop-wash an existing man-made canal for access to re-enter Exxon Fee No. 106 Well in Pecan Island Field in Election District No. 13.

(C) A letter of no objection to ExxonMobil Production Company to clean out existing man-made canal system to access existing well sites and facilities in the Pecan Island Field in Election District No. 13.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Minos Broussard, and unanimously carried, Item No. 15 of the Public Road Committee Recommendations was amended to add the following driveway permit installations :

F) April Sellers – La. Hwy 699

G) Lisa Hebert – La. Hwy 697

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Ritter Trahan, and unanimously carried, 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
JULY 2, 2003
ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA

AS A RESULT OF A PUBLIC ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JULY 2, 2003, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR THE JURY'S CONSIDERATION: *INCLUDES ACTIONS FOR OTHER PROGRAMS*

1. It is recommended that the temporary construction "No Wake Zone" in the Boston Canal not be renewed at this time.

2. It is recommended that Invoice No. 006364 from Sellers & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$5,620.00 be approved to be paid. Invoice represents engineering services provided relative to the Boston Canal Project:

A) COE/CUP Permit Application
Boston Canal Project - \$2,000.00

B) Preparation of Easement Agreements
And Plats For The Boston Canal Project - \$1,000.00

C) Post-Construction As-Built Surveys and Calculations - \$2,620.00

3. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify the hiring of Mr. Sam Jett as a part-time mosquito control spray driver effective as of 6/19/03 and acknowledge his resignation as of 6/26/03. Mr. Jett worked only one (1) week.
4. It is recommended that the Police Jury ratify the transfer of Troy Vice to the Area 1 Barn, as a Solid Waste trash truck driver, replacing C. J. Ryder, who resigned his position.
5. It is recommended that the award of the material supply contract to furnish asphaltic concrete, which was awarded to Diamond "B" at the June 16, 2003 meeting, be rescinded in view of them not having an asphalt plant within 30 miles of Vermilion Parish as specified.

It is further recommended that the remaining bid be rejected and the Road Supervisor and Purchasing Agent be authorized to obtain quotes from contractors on an as needed basis.

6. It is recommended that the Police Jury adopt an ordinance establishing a 10-ton load limit on Ned Lane.
7. It is recommended that the Parish Road Supervisor be authorized to purchase of one (1) pole pruner for the road maintenance program, from the lowest of quotes to be received.
8. It is recommended that Mr. James Segura, III, be reappointed as Commissioner to the Hospital Service District No. 2 Board, effective with the end of his current term which was July 1, 2003.
9. It is recommended that Mr. Winfred Collins be hired as a courthouse janitor on a permanent basis in view of his completing his 30 day probationary period.
10. It is recommended that Mr. Teddy Conner be promoted to Solid Waste Truck Foreman replacing Mr. C. J. Boudreaux, who is retiring.
11. It is recommended that the following invoices relative to storm damage repairs be approved for payment:

A) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2404 = \$95.00
Roof Leak Investigation at the Kaplan Health Unit

B) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2421 = \$913.75
Repairs Of Storm Damaged Roof at
the Vermilion Parish Courthouse

- C) Vaughn Roofing & Sheet Metal, Inc.
Invoice No. 482603-2271 = \$29,960.00
Restoration of Storm Damage At The
Vermilion Parish Courthouse

- D) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2418 = \$1,225.59
Interior Restoration of Storm Damage
At The Vermilion Parish Courthouse Annex

- E) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2419 - \$290.00
Emergency Repair And Replacement Of Storm
Damaged Roof At The A. A. Comeaux Rec. Center

- F) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2420 = \$1,965.00
Interior Restoration of Storm Damage
At The A. A. Comeaux Recreation Center

- G) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2422 = \$3,103.83
Interior Restoration of Storm Damage
At The Vermilion Parish Courthouse

- H) Vaughan Roofing & Sheet Metal, LLC
Invoice No. 164103 = \$750.00
Restoration of Storm Damage At The Old
Hibernia Bank Building Temporary Repairs

It is further recommended that Vaughn Roofing
And Sheet Metal, L.L.C. be authorized to do
permanent repairs at a cost of \$3,700.00.

- I) Minvielle Lumber Co., Inc.
Application No. 1 = \$19,039.00
Interior Restoration of Storm Damage At The
A. A. Comeaux Recreation Center

12. It is recommended that Sellers and Associates, Inc. be authorized to prepare a 2003-2004 Rural Development Grant Application for funds in the amount of \$20,000 to purchase extracation equipment for the District 13 Volunteer Fire Department.

13. It is recommended that the Knights of Columbus, Council #8770, Maurice, be authorized to utilize the Maurice Fire Station for meetings and fundraiser, in accordance with their correspondence dated June 25, 2003, providing the necessary documentation.
14. It is recommended that the Police Jury award the contract to furnish a used 2-wheel drive tractor for the Area 3 Road Maintenance Barn to Quality Equipment Co., Inc. in the amount of \$26,865.00.

Cost to be paid from Road District No. 1 and Road District Sub 4 of 2 funds on an equal basis.

15. It is recommended that the following state highway driveway permit installations be approved:

- A) Sterling Hernandez – La. Hwy 82
- B) Clifford Renard – La. Hwy 330
- C) Farley Painter – La. Hwy 35
- D) Samuel Noel – La. Hwy 82
- E) Broussard Electric Inc. – La. Hwy 14 Bypass (Erath)
(Subject to final paperwork being received)

16. It is recommended that the Police Jury nominate Mr. Lyman Trahan, President of the Vermilion Community Health Network, to serve as an at-large member representing Vermilion Parish on the Region IV Healthcare Planning Council. Nomination to be submitted to the Acadiana Legislative delegation for appointment.
17. It is recommended that the Invoice dated June 26, 2003 from Utility Cost Control in the amount of \$390.26 be approved to be paid. Invoice represents payment of audit fees associated with refunds obtained on electrical service charges.
18. It is recommended that The Sellers Group be authorized to advertise for bids to be received for the re-roofing of the original building roof at the law enforcement center.
19. It is recommended that the following road right-of-ways be accepted into the road maintenance system in view of documents have been provided:
 - A) Baylee Road Extension – E.D. #2
 - B) Lakeshore Road Extension – E. D. #14
20. It is recommended that the Police Jury enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Coulee Kinney Drainage District to repair a culvert crossing in the area of the Wilson Boudreaux property. Police Jury to provide labor and equipment to do the work.
21. It is recommended that the Police Jury declare as surplus and advertise for bids to be received for the sale of the old mobile home formerly used as the Area 3 Satellite Barn.

22. It is recommended that the Police Jury go on record, regarding the Louisiana Coastal Authority study, requesting the Corp Of Engineers and Department of Natural Resources address the salinity barrier needs of the eastern Mermentau Basin.
23. It is recommended that the Police Jury request the State Land Office to establish the boundary line between Iberia and Vermilion Parish as an independent third party.

It is further recommended that the Police Jury submit an intergovernmental agreement to the Iberia Parish Government to jointly share in the cost of the boundary line survey, subject to the surveyor selection being mutually agreed upon by both parties.

24. It is recommended that a letter be sent to the following persons advising them to discontinue the placing of unused scrap material at the roadside which was hauled to their property from throughout the parish and outside of the parish.
 - A) Mr. Lovelace Landry
 - B) Mr. Darrell Trahan
 - C) Mr. Joe Schexnayder

25. It is recommended that Granger's Quality Welding be awarded the contract to fabricate and install the replacement water control gates for the Magee Canal project at a cost of \$5,900, being the lowest of the three (3) quotes received. Costs to be reimbursed through the Rural Development Grant obtained for this project.
26. It is recommended that Sellers and Associates, Inc. be authorized to prepare a C.O.E./Coastal Use Permit application relative to the repairs to levees and breeches in the area of the Leland-Bowman Locks.
27. It is recommended that a pauper funeral allocation be authorized for Quenton Thibeaux, Jr. made payable to Vincent Funeral Home.
28. It is recommended that the Police Jury enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Coulee Des Jons Drainage District to clean out a drainage in the Pecan Island area.

Respectfully submitted,
Edval Simon, Jr.
Acting Chairman

In accordance with the Public Road Committee Recommendations, the following Ordinance was adopted:

ORDINANCE
2003-O-10
AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC
ON NED LANE A RESIDENTIAL AREA
IN THE PARISH OF VERMILION

BE IT ORDAINED by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury in regular session convened on the 7th day of July, 2003:

SECTION 1. There shall be a maximum load limit pertaining to vehicles operating on **Ned Lane** in the Parish of Vermilion of 10 tons (20,000 pounds) with a maximum of 3 axles. All damages and repairs due to failure to comply with the above limits shall be the responsibility of the violating party.

SECTION 2. All vehicles are prohibited from parking on **Ned Lane** and its road right-of-way, except for loading and unloading and occasional guest visit.

SECTION 3. All parish, out of parish, and commercial vehicles which are in the act of providing a service or intended trade, are exempt from the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict, herewith are hereby repealed.

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Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Kenneth DeHart, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury did proclaim the following:

- A) Acknowledge the recent passing of Mr. Alfred Baudoin, Ward 2 Constable in Vermilion Parish.
- B) Appointed Mrs. Alfred (Brenda) Baudoin, wife, as the interim appointee, as the Ward 2 Constable of Vermilion Parish.
- C) Established the qualifying dates of August 19 through August 21, 2003 for candidates interested in running for the position to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Baudoin.
- D) Establish October 4, 2003 and November 15, 2003 as the primary and general election dates, respectively, to fill the unexpired term of the Ward 2 Constable.

- E) That the above actions were taken in accordance with L.R.S.: 18:602, 18:402, 18:467, 18:467.1, and 18:468.
- F) That the information established above be submitted to the Secretary of State for final action.

Upon motion of Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the payment to Laborde & Neuner in the amount of \$386.18 for legal services provided relative to the Guy Duhon lawsuit. Cost to be paid from '94 Sales Tax Fund.

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Hubert Faulk, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. 36-5172 in the amount of \$339.80 from Louisiana Testing & Inspection, Inc. relative to testing services provided for the Additions to the Maurice Branch of the Vermilion Parish Library. Cost to be paid from the Library Construction Fund.

Upon motion of Mr. Purvis Abshire, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment to Farm Bureau Insurance in the amount of \$643.92 for repairs to one of their insured's vehicle damage sustained from an accident with a solid waste truck on August 27, 2002. Cost to be paid from '94 Sales Tax fund.

Upon motion of Mr. Kenneth DeHart, duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved payment of Invoice No. 2202616 in the amount of \$5,634.66 to Coastal Environments, Inc. relative to the development of an environmental assessment of the effects of the proposed Deepwater Access Channel to the Port of Iberia Project.

Upon motion of Mr. Terry Bessard, duly seconded by Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved pauper funeral allocations, payable to Vincent's Funeral Home, for the following:

- A) Marcel St. Crieg
- B) Richard F. White
- C) Calvin J. Suire

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, duly seconded by Mr. Hubert Faulk, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the payment of the following invoices with the costs to be paid from the Library Construction Fund:

- I) G. P. Pierret Construction
Application No. 2 = \$33,494.00
Maurice Branch Library Renovations

- II) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2431 - \$744.89
Maurice Branch Library Renovations
- III) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2416 - \$1,655.77
Abbeville Library Furniture
- IV) The Sellers Group
Invoice No. 2417 - \$487.50
Abbeville Library Telephones

The Secretary-Treasurer advised the Jurors of the Project Plan Meeting to develop a Hazard Mitigation Plan to be held on July 14, 2003 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Police Jury Meeting Room.

The Secretary-Treasurer advised the Police Jury that notification had been received from the Division of Administration Community Development Office of the award of grants for the extension of the North Vermilion Water Distribution Area-VII (Indian Bayou Area) and the extension of the waterline in Area VIII (Forked Island Area). The contract amounts are \$599,219.00 for the North Vermilion Area VII and \$389,755.00 for the Forked Island Area-VIII.

Regarding the Iberia-Vermilion Boundary Line dispute, Legal Counsel, Paul Moresi, III, advised the Police Jury that the Iberia Parish Council has adopted a resolution to ask the State Land Office to conduct a survey and to also enter into a cooperative agreement with the Vermilion Parish Police Jury to share in the cost of the survey.

Mr. Moresi, also advised the Jury that he had obtained a copy of the Lafayette Parish Noise Ordinance. He will review and make his recommendations to the Jury.

Regarding adjudicated properties to the parish, Mr. Moresi advised the Jury that there are available options by state law to dispose of the property.

Mr. Nick Gautreaux, candidate for State Senator, District 26, introduced himself and outlined his campaign platform.

Mr. John Istre, with Broussard, Poche', Lewis & Breaux, gave a recap of the 2002 Audit Report.

Mr. Charles Foti, candidate for Attorney General, introduced himself and outlined his campaign platform.

Relative to a seismic permit application, Mr. Paul Bourgeois, with Fairfield Industries, requested a waiver of the full time monitor requirement due to the fact that all of the work is to be done offshore. Mr. Bourgeois also advised that air guns are to be used as the energy source, in lieu of dynamite in drill holes.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, and unanimously carried, relative to the Fairfield Industries Seismic Permit application, the Police Jury waived the requirement for a full time monitor, but required that a monitor would be required to inspect the job site at the beginning of the project, do one or two interim monitorings, and a final monitoring. Fairfield Industries also agrees to provide documentation from a marine biologist already assigned for the project to meet other permit requirements.

Upon motion of Mr. Hubert Faulk, duly seconded by Mr. Minos Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the hiring of the following CDL Truck Drivers for the Solid Waste Trash Program as recommended by Mr. Ricky LeBlanc:

- A) Mr. Henry Welch
- B) Mr. Jeffery Harrington
- C) Mr. Marcus Choate

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved a pauper funeral allocation for Mr. Danny Pillette payable to Vincent Funeral Home.

Upon motion of Mr. Ernal "E. J." Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis "Pee Wee" Meaux, and unanimously carried, relative to the open position of Commissioner to the Abbeville Harbor & Terminal District effective July 1, 2003, the Police Jury nominated Mr. Tony Turnley to replace the name of Mr. Dallas Dubois, who was nominated at the previous meeting but is unable to be considered due a conflict because of the nature of his employment.

Upon motion of Mr. Mark Poche, duly seconded by Mr. Luther "Buster" Hardee, and unanimously carried, that there being no further business to be presented, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Secretary-Treasurer

President