

**MINUTES  
POINTE COUPEE PARISH POLICE JURY  
October 23, 2012**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23, 2012, at the Courthouse Annex in New Roads, Louisiana.

President Melanie Bueche asked that Mr. John T. Turner, Jr., who passed away, be remembered in prayer. He was the son of employee John T. Turner, Sr.

President Melanie Bueche called the meeting to order and directed Secretary Gerrie Martin to call the roll:

PRESENT: Messrs. John Pourciau, Allen Monk, Kyle Olinde, Cornell Dukes, Justin Cox, Glenn Cline, Mrs. Janet Vosburg, Mr. Kurt Jarreau and Mrs. Melanie Bueche, President.

Arrived after roll call: Mr. Russell Young.

ABSENT: Messrs. Clifford Nelson and Albert Dukes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Pourciau and seconded by Mrs. Vosburg:

RESOLVED, That the minutes of the regular meeting of October 9, 2012, be accepted as written and be published in the official journal.

Unanimously carried.

PRESENTATION AWARD TO MR & MRS. TONY CLAYTON AND FAMILY FOR FUNDING OF THE FALSE RIVER HISTORICAL BIKE TRAIL SIGNS IN THE PARISH

President Bueche presented a certificate of appreciation to Tony, Paula and T. J. Clayton for funding the False River Historical Bike Trail signs in the parish. She recognized former Scout Master Joseph H. Jarreau and Boy Scout Kevin N. Cicero of Boy Scout Troop 66, who developed the Hike or Bicycle Tour as an Eagle Service Project years ago. She also recognized members of the Pointe Coupee Parish Tourist Commission for developing the new brochures of the False River Historical Trail Hike or Bicycle Tour.

ANNOUNCE CANDIDACY FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE SUPREME COURT FIFTH DISTRICT

Judge Mary Olive Pierson appeared before the Jury to announce her candidacy for Associate Justice Supreme Court Fifth District and asked the Jurors for their support.

15 MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

Constable George Miller requested permission of the Jury to hang flags in the courthouse that were taken and returned by service men from Afghanistan in observance of Veterans Day.

Motion by Mr. Monk and seconded by Mr. Cline:

RESOLVED, That Constable George Miller and the veterans be authorized to hang flags in the courthouse that were taken and returned by service men from Afghanistan November 2, 2012 thru November 12, 2012 in observance of Veterans Day.

Unanimously carried.

RETIREES INSURANCE RENEWAL

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Insurance Agent Claude Jarreau presented the renewal of the Humana Medicare Advantage Employer Plan for group health insurance for retirees age 65 and over that included a 16.9% increase in rates, effective January 1, 2013. After discussion, the following resolutions were offered:

Motion by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Jarreau:

RESOLVED, That the renewal of the Humana Medicare Advantage Employer Plan for group health insurance for retirees be tabled and discussed at the next Finance Committee meeting on November 5, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.; and be it

RESOLVED further, That an HMO proposal for group health insurance for retirees be obtained for review at the Finance Committee meeting.

Unanimously carried.

Motion by Mr. C. Dukes and seconded by Mr. Cox:

RESOLVED, That all proposals submitted for group health insurance renewal be presented to the Police Jury 60 days in advance, prior to the deadline of renewal.

Unanimously carried.

AWARD BID FOR CDBG--DRA PC SCHOOL BOARD HARDENING

Architect David Mougeot reported and explained why no bids were received for the CDBG--DRA Pointe Coupee School Board Hardening and requested permission to readvertise for bids.

Motion by Mr. Jarreau and seconded by Mr. Monk:

RESOLVED, That Mougeot Architect, LLC be authorized to readvertise for bids in the official journal and The Advocate for the CDBG--DRA Pointe Coupee School Board Hardening.

Unanimously carried.

AWARD BID FOR CDBG--DRA VILLAGE OF MORGANZA SEWER LEVEE RESTORATION

Grant Administrator Thomas David, III of Pan American Engineers reported the bids received for the CDBG--DRA Village of Morganza Sewer Levee Restoration came in higher than the amount budgeted for the project. He received approval of the Jury to take all bids under advisement for further review.

ADOPT AN UPDATED CDBG PROCUREMENT POLICY

Grant Administrator Thomas David, III of Pan American Engineers presented the following resolution for approval of the Jury:

Motion by Mr. Pourciau and seconded by Mr. Cox:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE POINTE COUPEE PARISH POLICE JURY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)--DISASTER RECOVERY UPDATED PROCUREMENT POLICY AS REQUIRED IN THE UTILIZATION OF CDBG--DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDING.

WHEREAS, participation in the CDBG--Disaster Recovery Program requires the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury to adopt a policy by which the supplies, equipment, construction services and professional services required in the implementation of the CDBG--Disaster Recovery Program for the Police Jury are procured; and

WHEREAS, this policy is updated to include all new state and federal guidelines required for procurement of professional, contract, and other sources under the CDBG--DR program: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the updated Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury CDBG--Disaster Recovery Procurement Policy, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby officially adopted for usage in the procurement of all goods and services required in the implementation of all Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury CDBG--Disaster Recovery projects.

Unanimously carried.

APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR LRA WATER & SEWER GENERATORS

Engineer Kevin Gravois requested approval of Change Order No. 1 for the LRA Water and Sewer Generators.

Motion by Mrs. Vosburg and seconded by Mr. C. Dukes:

RESOLVED, That Change Order No. 1 for a price change of \$6,280.00 for the LRA Water and Sewer Generators be approved.

Unanimously carried.

CONDEMN ABANDONED HOUSE OWNED BY CHARLES YOUNG

Motion by Mr. Cline and seconded by Mr. Cox:

RESOLVED, That upon the results of the public hearing and the recommendation of the Parish Building Official, that an abandoned house owned Mr. Charles Young located at 13729 LA Highway 416 at Rougon be condemned and demolished; and be it

RESOLVED further, That the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury hereby orders that an abandoned house at 13729 LA Highway 416 at Rougon be demolished or removed within 45 days.

Unanimously carried.

CONSIDERATION TO CHANGE SCOPE OF FUNDS FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST FROM SHERIFF'S WORK RELEASE BUILDING TO SHERIFF'S CIVIL OFFICE

Parish Administrator Jimmy Bello requested approval of the Jury to change the scope and remaining Capital Outlay Request funds of \$506,900.00 from construction of Phase II Sheriff's Work Release Building to construction of Sheriff's Civil Office. The reason is that the former agreement with LA Work Release Program was not renewed. This change will result in a \$2,600.00 monthly savings to the Jury from lease of current buildings that house the Civil Office. After discussion, the following resolution was offered:

Motion by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Vosburg:

RESOLVED, That the scope of funds in the amount of \$506,900.00 for a Capital Outlay Request from the Phase II of the Sheriff's Work Release Building to the Sheriff's Civil Office be approved by the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury; and be it

RESOLVED further, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to State Senator Rick Ward, Jr. and State Representative Major Thibaut to support this endeavor.

Unanimously carried.

ESTABLISH A CHARTER COMMISSION

Juror Jarreau stated about a year and a half ago he asked the Jury to wait until after the public hearings to make a decision on establishing a Charter Commission and at that time the Jury told the people they would vote up or down to whether the Jury would establish the commission to write a parish charter. Since the hearings, people in and outside his district have expressed wanting to look at a charter, and

who is he to say no to that. He stated if it doesn't make sense "I want support it." He stated it was never discussed and therefore, he took it upon himself to place it on the agenda.

Mr. Price Gay stated he is infavor and asked the Jury to vote yes to establish a charter commission and allow voters the opportunity to go to the polls and vote on this issue.

After a lengthy discussion among Jurors and persons in the audience, the following resolutions were offered:

Motion by Mr. Jarreau and seconded by Mr. Cline:

RESOLVED, That the Police Jury appoints a nine (9) panel Charter Commission to establish a Home Rule Charter for Pointe Coupee Parish.

Substitute motion by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Olinde:

RESOLVED, That the appointment of a nine (9) panel Charter Commission to establish a Home Rule Charter for Pointe Coupee Parish be tabled until the next meeting of the Jury.

The President called for a roll call vote on the substitute motion that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Pourciau, Monk, Olinde, C. Dukes, Young, Cox and Mrs. Bueche.

NAYS: Mr. Cline, Mrs. Vosburg and Mr. Jarreau.

ABSENT: Messrs. Nelson and A. Dukes.

On a vote of 7-3-2, the motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER (ROSEMARY RUMMLER) TO THE CAPITAL AREA GROUND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Motion by Mr. Monk and seconded by Mr. Young:

RESOLVED, That Mrs. Rosemary Rummler be appointed to serve as a member of the Capital Area Ground Water Conservation Commission to replace Mr. J. A. Rummler, who resigned.

Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS CORPORATION FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE & REHABILITATION PROGRAM (CONTRACTS 1, 2 & 3) AND HUNT, GUILLIOT & ASSOCIATES, LLC FOR LRA--CDBG PROGRAM

Motion by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Cline:

RESOLVED, That an invoice in the amount of \$9,227.67 submitted by Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation for engineering services for the Road Maintenance & Rehabilitation Program (Contracts 1, 2 & 3) be approved for payment; and be it

RESOLVED further, That invoices totaling \$4,231.97, Interim Billing #29, submitted by Hunt, Guillot & Associates, LLC, for services rendered for the LRA--CDBG Ike/Gustav Disaster Recovery Program be approved for payment.

Unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

President Bueche reported on the Finance Committee meeting held October 17, 2012. Copies of the minutes were mailed to each Juror for their review.

Motion by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. C. Dukes:

RESOLVED, That \$500.00 be allocated from the travel expense fund to cover expenses for the Police Jury retreat.

Unanimously carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Juror Vosburg reported on the Pointe Coupee Planning Commission meeting held October 18, 2012. Copies of the minutes were mailed to each Juror for their review.

Motion by Mrs. Vosburg and seconded by Mr. Monk:

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendations of the Pointe Coupee Parish Planning Commission and Parish Sanitarian, that the plat showing the survey of Lot JB-1 & Lot JB-2 being the resubdivision of a 100' Lot located in Section 106, T4S & R10E at Ventress for JB Water Level, LLC be approved; and be it

RESOLVED further, That a 5' sideline variance on Lot B located in Section 54, T5S & R10E at New Roads, due to the hardship based on the value of the property be approved; and be it

RESOLVED further, That Mrs. Melanie L. Bueche be authorized to execute the above plat for JB Water Level, LLC; and be it

RESOLVED further, That upon the recommendation of the Pointe Coupee Parish Planning Commission, that the Subdivision Ordinance be amended to include Mobile Home Park Requirements by proper Police Jury procedures.

Unanimously carried.

Motion by Mr. Monk and seconded by Mr. Olinde, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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Gerrie P. Martin  
Secretary

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Melanie L. Bueche  
President