

**MINUTES
POINTE COUPEE PARISH POLICE JURY
July 9, 2013**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9, 2013, at the Courthouse Annex in New Roads, Louisiana.

President Bueche asked that Mrs. Maylia Langlois, who had an accident and is seriously injured, be remembered in prayer. She is the sister of Juror Vosburg.

Juror Jarreau asked that Rev. Harry "H. D." Wright, Sr. who passed away, be remembered in prayer. He was the husband of Mrs. Dollie Wright, member of the Airport Commission, and owner of H. D. Upholstery.

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

PRESENT: Messrs. John Pourciau, Clifford Nelson, Kyle Olinde, Cornell Dukes, Russell Young, Glenn Cline, Albert Dukes, Mrs. Janet Vosburg, Mr. Kurt Jarreau and Mrs. Melanie Bueche, President. Arrived after roll call: Mr. Justin Cox.

ABSENT: Mr. Allen Monk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes of the regular meeting of June 25, 2013, be accepted as written and be published in the official journal.

Unanimously carried.

AMEND AGENDA

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

RESOLVED, That the agenda be amended for inclusion of the following:

- Resolution--Authorizing the parish to grant a pipeline right-of-way to Crosstex LIG, L.L.C. (Attorney John Wayne Jewell)

The President called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Pourciau, Nelson, Olinde, C. Dukes, Young, Cline, A. Dukes, Mrs. Vosburg, Mr. Jarreau and Mrs. Bueche.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Messrs. Monk and Cox.

On a vote of 10-2, the motion carried.

15 MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY SERVICE AWARD (JOHNNY CHRISTAL & SAL GENSUA)

Juror Vosburg presented a service award to employee Sal Gensua for his 10th anniversary of dedicated service as an employee of the Police Jury.

In the absence of Mr. Johnny Christal, President Bueche announced the presentation of a service award for his 5th anniversary of dedicated service as an employee of the Police Jury.

EXPLANATION FROM PERSONNEL CHAIRMAN FOR MEETING ON JUNE 11, 2013

President Bueche gave an explanation from Assistant District Attorney John Wayne Jewell that was read at the last meeting, stating the Personnel Committee meeting and minutes of June 11, 2013 were null and void. The meeting of June 18, 2013 and the recommendations corrected the actions taken at the June 11, 2013 Jury meeting.

Juror A. Dukes asked for an explanation from the Personnel Chairman for their meeting on June 11, 2013, and why the meeting was called. He asked Assistant District Attorney John Wayne Jewell to explain what constitutes an emergency meeting. After discussion, the following resolution was offered:

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

RESOLVED, That the Police Jury postpones further debate and discussion indefinitely of the above item (explanation from the Personnel Chairman for meeting on June 11, 2013) and proceeds with the next agenda item.

The President called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Vosburg, Messrs. Pourciau, Nelson, Olinde, C. Dukes, Young and Mrs. Bueche.

NAYS: Messrs. Cline, A. Dukes and Jarreau.

ABSENT: Messrs. Cox and Monk.

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

DISCUSSION OF PROBLEMS WITH SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 IN JUROR DISTRICTS 3 AND 7

Juror A. Dukes was informed the sewer problems in Sewerage District No. 1 in his district and Juror Young's District 3 have been resolved. Juror A. Dukes stated he has discussed this matter with Mrs. Joetta Hunter.

DISCUSSION OF LGAP FUNDING FOR E911

Juror C. Dukes requested approval of the Jury to seek \$100,000.00 from the LGAP funding to upgrade the E911 system in the parish.

Juror Cline commented on requesting \$12,000.00 from the LGAP funding to repair the ceiling at the Animal Shelter.

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

RESOLVED, That an LGAP application be submitted in the amount of \$100,000.00 to upgrade the E911 system in the parish.

The President called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Pourciau, Nelson, Olinde, C. Dukes, Young, A. Dukes, Mrs. Vosburg, Mr. Jarreau and Mrs. Bueche.

NAYS: Mr. Cline.

ABSENT: Messrs. Monk and Cox.

On a vote of 9-1-2, the motion carried.

Juror Cox entered the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

REPORT ON SCRAP MATERIAL IN BUILDING MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR DEPARTMENT

At the request of Juror A. Dukes, Building Maintenance Supervisor Ken Vosburg submitted a report on scrap material in his department. Juror A. Dukes questioned the disposal process of the material. After discussion, he asked that an inventory of the material be conducted.

CONDEMNATION OF AN ABANDONED STRUCTURE AT ST. JOAN STREET FOR ELBERT WILLIAMS ESTATE

Juror C. Dukes commented on a report received from Parish Building Official John Pinsonat recommending an abandoned mobile home located at 12143 St. Joan Street at New Roads owned by the Elbert Williams Estate be condemned and demolished because the abandoned mobile home is unsafe for human occupancy.

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

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of the Parish Building Official, that an abandoned mobile home located at 12143 St. Joan Street at New Roads be condemned and demolished owned by the Elbert Williams Estate; and be it

RESOLVED further, That a public hearing be held on Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the condemnation and demolition of an abandoned mobile home located at 12143 St. Joan Street at New Roads owned by the Elbert Williams Estate.

Unanimously carried.

CONDEMNATION OF AN ABANDONED STRUCTURE AT LA 81 NORTH FOR JAMES H. SAGONA

Juror Cox commented on a report received from Parish Building Official John Pinsonat recommending an abandoned house located at 2958 LA 81 North at Lottie owned by Mr. James H. Sagona be condemned and demolished because the abandoned house is unsafe for human occupancy. Juror Cox reported that Mr. Sagona is requesting time to demolish the house and clean the property, and asked that the condemnation process be postponed.

DISCUSSION OF THE CITY OF NEW ROADS EXTRA AD VALOREM MILLAGE ASSESSMENT

Juror A. Dukes informed the Jury that the City of New Roads has hired an attorney and is going to court concerning the extra ad valorem millage assessment and asked the Jury to review this matter again and decide if this is what they really want to do. After further discussion, no action was taken by the Jury.

PROPOSAL TO PAINT GAS REGULATOR STATIONS

Parish Administrator Jimmy Bello reported on his inspection of painting the gas regulator stations in the parish and recommended painting five (5) of 10 stations. After discussions, the following resolution was offered:

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

RESOLVED, That the low proposal in the amount of \$27,500.00 submitted by Silk, LLC to paint 10 gas regulator stations in the parish be accepted.

The President called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Cox, Cline, A. Dukes, Mrs. Vosburg, Messrs. Jarreau, Pourciau, Olinde, C. Dukes, Young and Mrs. Bueche.

NAYS: Mr. Nelson.

ABSENT: Mr. Monk.

On a vote of 10-1-1, the motion carried.

In response to a statement made by Mr. Darren Delatte, owner of Silk, LLC, Parish Administrator Bello stated that he does not have anything against Mr. Delatte.

RESOLUTIONS:

APPROVAL FOR OBTAINING CUSTOMER LIST FROM TOWN OF LIVONIA FOR BILLING DRAINAGE IMPACT FEE

President Bueche requested approval of the Jury to obtain a customer list from the Town of Livonia for

billing of the drainage impact fee, which the Town is currently not collecting. Juror Jarreau agreed to discuss this matter further with the Mayor and Council and will give a report to the Jury at their next meeting.

DECLARE SOLID WASTE CARTS & SCRAP METAL AS SURPLUS AND PLACE AT AUCTION

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

RESOLVED, That the solid waste carts and scrap metal be declared surplus and the Parish Administrator be authorized to place at an auction.

Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL TO ATTEND NACO CONFERENCE IN DALLAS

Juror A. Dukes requested approval of the Jury to travel and attend the NACo Annual Conference in Dallas, and any other Jurors desire to attend. After discussion, the following resolution was offered:

Motion by Mr. A. Dukes and seconded by Mr. Pourciau:

RESOLVED, That Juror Albert Dukes be authorized to attend the NACo Annual Conference July 19 - 23, 2013 in Dallas, Texas.

The President called for a roll call vote that resulted as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Pourciau, Nelson, C. Dukes, Cox, A. Dukes and Jarreau.

NAYS: Messrs. Olinde, Young, Cline, Mmes Vosburg and Bueche.

ABSENT: Mr. Monk.

On a vote of 6-5-1, the motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO PC COMMUNITY HOUSING ORGANIZATION IN JUROR DISTRICT 7

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

RESOLVED, That Mrs. Karla Jack be appointed to serve as a member of the Pointe Coupee Community Housing Development Organization, Inc. representing Police Juror District 7.

Unanimously carried.

AUTHORIZING THE PARISH TO GRANT A PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY TO CROSSTEX LIG, L.L.C.

Assistant District Attorney John Wayne Jewell presented the following resolution for approval of the Jury:

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

Authorizing the Parish of Pointe Coupee to grant a pipeline right-of-way, and to further provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Pointe Coupee owns certain tracts of land over which Crosstex LIG, L.L.C. has requested to purchase a right-of-way for pipeline purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury that it grant a right-of-way to Crosstex LIG, L.L.C. for pipeline purposes for and in consideration of the payment to the parish of \$525.00 per rod and under the further terms and conditions contained in the agreement annexed to this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Melanie L. Bueche, President of this Police Jury, be and she is hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Parish and this Police Jury, to receive and receipt for the cash consideration and to do any and all other things which may be necessary in the premises.

Unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

President Bueche reported on a Delinquent Accounts Committee meeting held June 27, 2013. Copies of the minutes were mailed to each Juror for their review.

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

RESOLVED, That the Constables collect the total delinquent amount and if unable, then ½ of the delinquent amount should be collected, the customer then would pay ½ of the delinquent amount and the full current bill and the customer would be allowed to pay on the remaining unpaid balance within the next 12 months; and be it

RESOLVED further, That Assistant District Attorney John Wayne Jewell be authorized to obtain a legal opinion about whether the Jury could publish the names and addresses of customers, who have utilities accounts 90 days past due.

Unanimously carried.

PERSONNEL

Chairman C. Dukes reported on a Personnel Committee meeting held July 8, 2013. Copies of the minutes were given to each Juror for their review.

Juror Cox reported on a telephone call from an employee, who had concerns about the recommendation made by Public Works Director Blaine Bordelon to hire another employee who had experience with a tractor but was not given the job, and one of the employees did not have the experience.

Chairman C. Dukes stated that one of the employees does not have a diploma and the other employee does. He stated one of the minimum requirements was to have a diploma or GED.

Mr. Bordelon stated that when asked he was informed by Administrative Assistant Linette Pascalin that if it's an in-house position a diploma or GED was not required and that is why he recommended one of the employees who did not have a diploma or GED for the above position. But if he had known he would not have recommended the employee.

Motion by Mr. A. Dukes and seconded by Mr. Jarreau:

RESOLVED, That Attorney Bob David be authorized to obtain a legal opinion about whether the minimum qualification to have a diploma or GED should be a requirement for employees when promoting employees in-house.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That Mr. Andrew St. Andrew be promoted to the position of Equipment Operator II (Tractor Driver) at a Grade 204, Step 1, at an annual salary of \$23,649.00, effective July 16, 2013, and the second employee to be promoted will be pending until a legal opinion is obtained from Attorney Bob David on how the Jury should proceed.

Unanimously carried.

Motion by Mr. C. Dukes and seconded by Mr. Pourciau, the meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.