

**MINUTES**  
**POINTE COUPEE PARISH POLICE JURY**  
**September 9, 2014**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9, 2014, at the Courthouse Annex in the Police Jury Meeting Room, New Roads, Louisiana.

President Melanie Bueche welcomed new Parish Administrator John Grezaffi.

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, Justin Cox, Glenn Cline, Albert Dukes, Mrs. Janet Vosburg, Mr. Kurt Jarreau and Mrs. Melanie Bueche. Arrived after roll call: Mr. Russell Young.

**ABSENT:** Messrs. Allen Monk and Cornell Dukes.

**ADOPT MINUTES**

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes of August 26, 2014 meeting be adopted as presented and published in the official journal.

Unanimously carried.

**15 MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Bobby Miller voiced concerns about horses roaming at large off of Nelson Lane and Rodney Drive at New Roads.

**EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY SERVICE AWARD**

Juror Vosburg announced an employee anniversary service award to employee Louise Brooks for 30 years of dedicated service. She stated the Jury appreciate her hardwork and dedication.

Juror Pourciau presented an employee anniversary service award to employee Morris Franklin for 25 years of dedicated service.

President Bueche recognized State Representative Major Thibaut.

**BOARD OF REVIEW FOR ASSESSMENT**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury met at 5:11 p.m. as a Board of Review to hear complaints and/or protests as to the value of property for parish assessment purposes. Assessor James Laurent, Jr. commented on the assessments for 2014 and informed the Jury there were no appeals on the assessments. There were no complaints or protests received orally nor written.

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

RESOLVED, That the appraisal of assessment of properties, rules and regulations in the parish as presented by the Assessor be accepted.

Unanimously carried.

**DISCUSSION AND CONCERNS ABOUT SOLID WASTE COLLECTION IN THE PARISH BY PROGRESSIVE WASTE SOLUTIONS**

Acting Operations Manager Clay Richardson, Operations Supervisor Layfield Howard, and District Manager Mike Nelson of Progressive Waste Solutions appeared before the Jury to address concerns and complaints from Juror A. Dukes about the solid waste collection in the parish by Progressive Waste Solutions. Other Jurors also voiced concerns and complaints they received about collection of solid waste in the parish. In closing, Mr. Richardson stated Progressive will resolve the concerns and complaints received.

DRAINAGE ISSUES, DITCH EROSION AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

Mrs. LaShonda Derosin appeared before the Jury to discuss drainage issues and ditch erosion that is causing damage to her property near her mobile home.

Public Works Director Blaine Bordelon reported on this matter and Ms. Derosin's request to placing 140 ft. of culverts and a catch basin at a cost of \$1,751.54 to cover and re-route the ditch to alleviate this drainage problem.

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

RESOLVED, That the Mrs. LaShonda Derosin's drainage issues, ditch erosion and damage to property and request to place 140 ft. of culverts and a catch basin at a cost of \$1,751.54 be referred to the Public Works Committee for further review.

Unanimously carried.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REQUIRE FILM PRODUCTION PERMITS ISSUED BY THE POINTE COUPEE PARISH TOURISM COMMISSION

At the request of Assistant District Attorney John Wayne Jewell, the Jury deferred the introduction of an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances to require film production permits issued by the Pointe Coupee Parish Tourism Commission until their next meeting for review of additional information.

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF LIVESTOCK

Attorney Dannie Garrett reviewed the proposed amendments to the Code of Ordinances providing for the regulation of livestock in the parish. He reported on suggested amendments made as a result of the public hearing at the last meeting regarding safe enclosure to include unpaved area with adequate food and water and lot in subdivision.

After further comments from persons in the audience and Jurors, the following resolutions were offered:

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

RESOLVED, That the amendment to the Code of Ordinances providing for the regulation of Livestock be amended as follows:

Under definition of "safe enclosure" shall mean a barn, **covered stalls,**

**2. Be an unpaved area at which adequate food and water are available;**

**3. Fenced using a generally acceptable fencing material, such as post and rail fencing using wood, vinyl or polyethylene materials, barbed wire fencing using not less than three strands of wire and wood or metal posts positioned at not less than 15 foot intervals, or high tensile wire fencing using not less than three strands of wire and wood or metal posts positioned at not less than 25 foot intervals.**

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That the Parish Code of Ordinances be amended and reenacted by amending Chapter 4, Article II, Sections 4-21 and 4-23 regarding the regulation of livestock and Chapter 22, Article I, Section 22-1 regarding the definition of a subdivision lot and livestock; and to provide for a special effective date be adopted as amended by the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury.

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

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

NAYS: Mr. Nelson.

ABSENT: Messrs. Monk, C. Dukes and Young.

On a vote of 8-1-3, the motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION OF TIMESHEETS

Juror A. Dukes removed this item from the agenda.

#### DISCUSSION OF TIME LIMIT ON PRESENTATIONS

Juror Nelson discussed setting a time limit on presentations made by the public and Jurors at their meetings.

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

RESOLVED, That a time limit of five minutes be set for presentations and five minutes for rebuttals at Police Jury meetings by the public and Jurors.

Unanimously carried.

Juror Cox asked that surrounding parishes be contacted to find out their time limits on presentations at meetings.

#### DISCUSSION REGARDING EROSION OF PROPERTY FOR MR. RICHARD BELLIZAIRE AT MANDELA DRIVE

Juror Young introduced Mr. Richard Bellizaire who discussed and requested assistance from the Jury to alleviate an erosion problem on his property on Mandela Drive at New Roads. After discussion, the following resolution was offered:

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

RESOLVED, That an erosion problem on the property of Mr. Richard Bellizaire on Mandela Drive at New Roads be referred to the Public Works Committee for further review.

Unanimously carried.

Juror Cox commented on the need for the Jury to develop objective criteria to determine the type of drainage problems the Jury will address in the parish, since the Jury implemented the drainage impact fee. This matter was referred to the Public Works Committee.

#### REASON FOR RESIGNATION AS POLICE JUROR IN DISTRICT NO. 3

Juror Young gave an explanation and reason for submitting his resignation as the Police Jury representative in District No. 3.

On behalf of the Police Jury, President Bueche wished Juror Young, his wife and family well in the future.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF INSTALLING CULVERTS ON MARTIN DRIVE AT NEW ROADS, ACROSS THE STREET FROM FALSE RIVER COUNTRY CLUB, AND LA HWY. 415 AT VENTRESS

Juror Nelson discussed installing culverts on Martin Drive at New Roads, property across the street from False River Country Club and LA Highway 415 (Waterloo area) at Ventress to alleviate drainage problems.

President Bueche commented on obtaining Capital Outlay Funding from the LA Division of Administration, Office of Facility Planning and Control and the Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) to assist the Jury with funding various projects in the parish.

Juror Cox commented on the municipalities taking a shortfall from LGAP because the Jury was awarded funding for new 911 equipment for the Communications District from this program.

State Representative Major Thibaut commented on the process and funding availability from LGAP that is shared between municipalities and parishes.

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

RESOLVED, That the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury hereby request support of Governor Bobby Jindal and the Louisiana Division of Administration that the \$200,000.00 in the Capital Outlay bill from the 2014 Legislative Session allocated for the 911 Communications District in Pointe Coupee Parish be sent to the State Bond Commission.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That the installation of culverts on Martin Drive at New Roads, property across the street from False River Country Club and LA Highway 415 (Waterloo area) at Ventress to alleviate drainage problems be referred to the Public Works Committee.

Unanimously carried.

POLICE JURY ASSOCIATION OF LA REGION 3 MEETING HOSTED BY POINTE COUPEE

Secretary Martin announced the Police Jury Association of Louisiana Region 3 Meeting will be hosted by the Police Jury at Satterfield's Restaurant on Thursday, October 16, 2014.

RESOLUTIONS:

ACCEPT NAME OF INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE AS DIRECTOR FOR THE CAPITAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC.

Secretary Martin announced a notice for interested person(s) to serve as a director for the Capital Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc. was published in The Banner and no names were submitted. This matter will be placed on the next agenda.

AUTHORIZE PRESIDENT TO SIGN LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH POINTE COUPEE ELECTRIC FOR USE OF THEIR POLES FOR THE FENCE LINE MONITORING PROJECT

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

RESOLVED, That Mrs. Melanie L. Bueche be authorized to sign a License Agreement between the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury and Pointe Coupee Electric Membership Corporation for use of their poles for the Fence Line Monitoring Project.

Unanimously carried.

ACCEPT PROPOSAL FROM KINDY'S FINISHING TOUCHES TO REPLACE CARPET IN THREE (3) OFFICES AT THE COURTHOUSE ANNEX

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

RESOLVED, That the low proposal in the amount of \$1,677.10 submitted by Kindy's Finishing Touches to replace carpet in three (3) offices at the Courthouse Annex Building be accepted.

Unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Chairman Nelson reported on a Public Utilities Committee meeting held September 2, 2014. Copies of the minutes were mailed to each Juror.

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

RESOLVED, That Engineer Kevin Gravois of Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation be authorized to proceed with the process of the natural gas main line upgrade on LA Highway 415 at Ventress at an estimated cost of \$245,000.00 and refer to CPA Tommy LeJeune to review financing for this project.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That the current guidelines of the contract with Lionel Boudreaux Trucking Company for the collection of white goods and bulky waste be followed and as a reminder to the residents, an advertisement be placed in the official journal, and a letter be sent to the municipalities, and the Permit Department inform contractors and homeowners of their responsibility of construction debris removal.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That Treasurer Becky Mayeux be authorized to contact Assistant District Attorney John Wayne Jewell for legal advice regarding the fuel card issue.

Unanimously carried.

Messrs. Lionel Boudreaux and Brian Boudreaux of Lionel Boudreaux Trucking Company submitted a proposal and explanation for requesting a 20% rate increase (annual increase of \$44,000) for the collection of white goods and bulky waste in the parish. After lengthy discussion, the following resolution was offered:

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

RESOLVED, That the request for a 20% rate increase from Lionel Boudreaux Trucking Company for the collection of white goods and bulky waste in the parish be referred to the Finance Committee.

Unanimously carried.

DETENTION CENTER

Chairman Pourciau reported on notes from discussions about the Detention Center. He reported on the need for an employee to have a Water 1 Certification when Maintenance Technician Tommy Leonard leaves this position.

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

RESOLVED, That employees of the Public Utilities Maintenance Department be authorized to perform daily water testing at the Detention Center.

Unanimously carried.

Maintenance Technician Leonard reported on the frequent damages at the Work Release Building and Detention Center caused by inmates and cost to the Jury for repairs. After discussion, the following resolution was offered:

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

RESOLVED, That Police Jury and the Parish Administrator proceed with contacting the District Attorney and Sheriff to develop a plan to proceed with filing charges against inmates for the damages at the Work Release Building and Detention Center.

Unanimously carried.

Maintenance Technician Leonard reported on problems with the fire alarm system at the Detention Center and will be obtaining a cost estimate from Simplex to upgrade the system.

Motion by Mrs. Vosburg and seconded by Mr. Young, the meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

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Gerrie P. Martin  
Secretary

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Melanie L. Bueche  
President