

**MINUTES
POINTE COUPEE PARISH POLICE JURY
December 13, 2016**

The Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 13, 2016, at the Courthouse Annex in the Police Jury Meeting Room, New Roads, Louisiana.

Juror Bueche asked that Mr. Tony Porche, who passed away, be remembered in prayer. He was the brother of Police Officer Michael Porche, who provides security at the Jury meetings.

Vice President Kyle Olinde called the meeting to order and directed Secretary Gerrie Martin to call the roll:

PRESENT: Messrs. Mitch Langlois, Charles Watkins, Gordon Taylor, Mrs. Melanie Bueche, Messrs. Stephen Smith, Justin Cox, Glenn Cline, Edward Bazile, Anthony Hurst, Kurt Jarreau and Kyle Olinde.

ABSENT: Mr. Cornell Dukes.

President Dukes was absent because he was attending a meeting at the Governor's mansion to secure funding to assist the flood victims in the parish.

15 MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

Messrs. Alvin Smith, Lawrence Smith, Ms. Sylvia Williams and Floodplain Administrator Cletus Langlois made comments about the update on Pecan Acres funding.

ADOPT MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Bueche and seconded by Mr. Taylor:

RESOLVED, That the minutes of November 8 & 22, 2016 meetings be adopted as presented and published in the official journal.

Unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING--2016 BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND 2017 BUDGET OF THE PC POLICE JURY

As provided for in Act 186 of the 1984 Regular Legislative Session, a proposed budget hearing for amending the 2016 Budget and adopting the 2017 Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury for the period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 was conducted at 5:50 p.m. on December 13, 2016 in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Annex, 160 East Main Street, New Roads, Louisiana.

CPA Jacob Waguespack reported on the hearing to amend the 2016 Budget and adopt the 2017 Budget. There were no objections received written nor orally.

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

RESOLVED, That the Public Hearing to amend the 2016 Budget and adopt the 2017 Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures of the Police Jury for the period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 be closed.

Unanimously carried.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE 2016 BUDGT AMENDMENTS & 2016 BUDGET

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

A resolution amending the 2016 Budget and adopting the 2017 Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures.

SECTION 1. The Operating Budgets for the years ending December 31, 2016 and 2017 (as attached) are amended and adopted, as summarized for all funds, as follows:

**Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury
SUMMARY BUDGET**

	2016		2017	
	Projected	Adjusted	Budget	Budget
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 5,550,850	\$ (442,500)	\$ 5,108,350	\$ 5,128,350
Licenses & Permits	347,800	5,000	352,800	347,800
Intergovernmental	4,600,600	928,000	5,528,600	2,514,400
Charges for Services	4,146,700	(648,900)	3,497,800	4,065,600
Fines & Forfeitures	74,000	20,000	94,000	52,500
Miscellaneous	277,500	1,800	279,300	220,500
Proceeds from Bonds	-	5,100,000	5,100,000	-
Transfers	<u>3,242,800</u>	<u>449,026</u>	<u>3,691,826</u>	<u>2,181,800</u>
Total revenues and other				
Financing sources	<u>\$ 18,240,250</u>	<u>\$ 5,412,426</u>	<u>\$ 23,652,676</u>	<u>\$ 14,510,950</u>
Expenditures/Expenses:				
Legislative	\$ 546,150	\$ 33,800	\$ 579,950	\$ 538,650
Judicial	317,620	2,000	319,620	320,620
Elections	83,650	5,850	89,500	90,970
Financial Administrative	446,050	(63,600)	382,450	374,500
General Government	935,450	(23,800)	911,650	1,295,700
Retiree Benefits	99,800	38,700	138,500	117,500
Public Safety	927,580	179,575	1,107,155	1,287,255
Fire Protection	101,607	(12,150)	89,457	89,700
Protective Inspection	132,325	-	132,325	119,225
Other Protection	361,100	1,500,000	1,861,100	557,275
Veteran's Affairs	8,550	-	8,550	8,550
Highways & Streets	1,002,740	(174,400)	828,340	716,140
Cultural & Recreation	769,980	1,100	771,080	633,930
Conservation	3,589,270	33,700	3,622,970	1,245,670
Economic Development	98,800	(8,000)	90,800	68,800
Natural Gas Service	1,766,755	(210,550)	1,556,205	1,486,305
Water Service	96,946	(62,996)	33,950	-
Waste Disposal	1,676,600	49,325	1,725,925	1,719,325
Capital Outlays	775	1,286,525	1,287,300	4,060,500
Debt Service	541,175	282,025	823,200	1,698,000
Transfers	<u>3,242,800</u>	<u>449,026</u>	<u>3,691,826</u>	<u>2,181,800</u>
Total expenditures & other				
financing uses	<u>\$16,745,723</u>	<u>\$ 3,306,130</u>	<u>\$ 20,051,853</u>	<u>\$ 18,610,415</u>

SECTION 2. The amendment of the 2016 and adoption of the 2017 Operating Budget of Expenditures is declared to be an appropriation of funds as set forth in the budget classifications and that all expenditure appropriations lapse at each year end.

SECTION 3. Amounts are available for expenditure only to the extent included within the budget.

SECTION 4. The Police Jury is to authorize all line item adjustments of revenues, transfers and expenditures during fiscal year 2016.

SECTION 5. The Police Jury is authorized to make transfers to eliminate fund deficits if existing at year end. Such transfers shall be made from the General Fund and will be reported to the Police Jury if any such adjustments are made.

SECTION 6. To the extent grant and capital project related revenues and expenditures are not realized during 2016, these unrealized but available amounts will be appropriated in the subsequent year budget. The Police Jury is authorized to make said adjustments to grant revenues and expenditures, and capital project related line items.

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

YEAS: Messrs. Cox, Cline, Bazile, Hurst, Jarreau, Langlois, Watkins, Taylor, Mrs. Bueche, Messrs. Smith and Olinde.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Mr. Dukes.

On a vote of 11-0-0-1, the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING--AN ORDINANCE TO REVOKE THE DEDICATION OF A PORTION OF CALLEGAN LANE EAST

A hearing to obtain public input to a proposed ordinance to revoke the dedication of a portion of Callegan Lane East and to further provide with respect thereto was held Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 5:55 p.m. by the Police Jury of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana. There were no objections received written nor orally.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO REVOKE THE DECATION OF A PORTION OF CALLEGAN LANE EAST

Juror Hurst received confirmation that no one will be allowed to place culverts in the major drainage on Callegan Lane East at Morganza without the approval of the Jury and appropriate permits.

Motion by Mr. Hurst and seconded by Mr. Langlois:

RESOLVED, That a proposed ordinance to revoke the dedication of a portion of Callegan Lane East and to further provide with respect thereto be adopted by the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury.

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

YEAS: Messrs. Langlois, Watkins, Taylor, Mrs. Bueche, Messrs. Smith, Cox, Cline, Bazile, Hurst, Jarreau and Olinde.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Mr. Dukes.

On a vote of 11-0-0-1, the motion carried.

INTRODUCTION TO THE GENERAL LEJEUNE EVENT JANUARY 7, 2017 IN NEW ROADS

Mr. Jimmy Duckworth of New Roads announced that January 10, 2017 will mark the 150th birthday of General John Archer Lejeune, who was a native and resident of Pointe Coupee Parish. He encouraged the support of Jurors to attend the General LeJeune event that will be held January 7, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in New Roads, hosted by the Pointe Coupee Parish Historical Society.

Vice President Olinde reported that a sunken paddle barge from the 1880s was found in False River in front of Mill Street at Ventress from the drawdown, and is being considered for removal and restoration. Discussion was held about persons removing boards and vandalizing the barge. Vice President Olinde received approval of the Jury to place an ad in The Banner advising citizens of the historical value and not to vandalize the barge.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ADDRESSING THE LITTER PROBLEMS IN OUR PARISH

Juror Bueche discussed the need of addressing the litter problems in our parish along the state and parish roads. She requested approval of the Jury to send letters to Lieutenant Governor Billy Nungesser, Senator Rick Ward and Representative Major Thibaut to provide assistance with the litter problems along the state highways in the parish. She suggested scheduling a meeting with the Sheriff to discuss possibly utilizing inmates to remove litter from the parish roads.

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

RESOLVED, That a letter be sent to Lieutenant Governor Billy Nungesser, Senator Rick Ward and Representative Major Thibaut to request assistance with addressing the litter problems in the parish.

Unanimously carried.

Juror Smith commented on reviewing their recycling program in the future that could possibly assist with the litter problem in the parish.

TO CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION WITH RESPECT TO ADOPTING A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULT OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016, TO AUTHORIZE THE RENEWAL OF A SALES AND USE TAX THEREIN.

Motion by Mr. Jarreau and seconded by Mrs. Bueche:

RESOLUTION

A resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana, on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, to authorize the renewal of a sales and use tax therein.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that:

SECTION 1. Canvass. This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulations of votes cast at the special election held in the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana, on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016, to authorize the renewal of a sales and use tax therein, and said Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the special election.

SECTION 2. Procès Verbal. A *Procès Verbal* of the canvass of the returns of said election shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Pointe Coupee, who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of said Parish; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

SECTION 3. Promulgation of Election Result. The result of said election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Langlois, Watkins, Taylor, Mrs. Bueche, Messrs. Smith, Cox, Cline, Bazile, Hurst, Jarreau and Olinde.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mr. Dukes.

On a vote of 11-0-1, the motion carried.

PROCÈS VERBAL AND PROCLAMATION OF THE CANVASS OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016.

BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, December 13, 2016, at five-thirty o'clock (5:30) p.m., at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Annex Building, 160 East Main Street, New Roads, Louisiana, the Police Jury of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the

Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), and being the authority ordering the special election held therein on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, with the following members present:

Messrs. Langlois, Watkins, Taylor, Mrs. Bueche, Messrs. Smith, Cox, Cline, Bazile, Hurst, Jarreau and Olinde.

There being absent: Mr. Dukes.

did, in open and public session, examine the official certified tabulations of votes cast at the said election, and did examine and canvass the returns of the said election, there having been submitted at said election the following proposition, to wit:

**PROPOSITION
(SALES TAX RENEWAL)**

Shall the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), under the provisions of Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974 and Section 338.54 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, be authorized to continue to levy and collect a tax of one-fourth of one percent (1/4%) (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption and storage for use or consumption of tangible personal property and on the sales of services in the Parish, all as defined by law, (an estimated \$850,665 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, from July 1, 2017, the proceeds of the Tax (after paying reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administering the Tax), to be dedicated to and used solely for capital improvements, maintenance and operation of the Pointe Coupee Parish Health Services District Number One?

There was found by said count and canvass that the following votes had been cast at the said special election **IN FAVOR OF** and **AGAINST**, respectively, the proposition as hereinabove set forth at the following polling places, to-wit:

POLLING PLACES		VOTE TABULATION	
Precinct	Location	FOR	AGAINST
01	Parish Building on Land of K Leonard, 19031 LA Hwy. 15, Lettsworth	119	92
02	Innis School Property, 4389 Robertson Avenue, Innis	73	38
03	Innis School Property, 4389 Robertson Avenue, Innis	167	111
04	Innis School Property, 4389 Robertson Avenue, Innis	96	36
05	St. Ann's Catholic Church Hall, 172 Church Street, Morganza	64	41
06	St. Ann's Catholic Church Hall, 172 Church Street, Morganza	158	88
07	Parish Building Land of Donna Walker, 8686 Dawson Road, Morganza	227	162
08A	Rosenwald School, 110 New Roads Street, New Roads	138	71
09	American Legion, 412 LA Hwy. 10, New Roads	206	142

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Precinct	Location	FOR	AGAINST
10A	Pointe Coupee General Hospital Conference Room, 2202 False River Drive, New Roads	258	146
10B	Pointe Coupee General Hospital Conference Room, 2202 False River Drive, New Roads	57	27
11	Parish Courthouse, 211 E. Main Street, New Roads	92	56
12	New Roads National Guard Armory, 303 Park Avenue, New Roads	125	53
13A	New Roads National Guard Armory, 303 Park Avenue, New Roads	178	123
14	Parish Building on Loupe Property, 9251 Ferry Road, New Roads	114	69
15A	Waterloo Fire Station, 14283 Patin Dyke Road, Ventress	244	130
15B	Waterloo Fire Station, 14283 Patin Dyke Road, Ventress	38	12
16A	Senior Citizen Center, 4316 Harry Street, Fordoche	276	157
16B	Lottie Fire Station, 2947 LA Hwy. 81 North, Lottie	217	199
17	Senior Citizen Center, 4316 Harry Street, Fordoche	8	10
18	Catholic Cabrini Center, 3511 LA Hwy. 78, Livonia	365	232
19A	Catholic Cabrini Center, 3511 LA Hwy. 78, Livonia	119	131
19B	Catholic Cabrini Center, 3511 LA Hwy. 78, Livonia	27	35
20A	Fire District No. 3 Station, 6571 False River Road, Oscar	435	305
20B	Parish Building on Land E Marionneaux, 4971 Parlange Lane, Livonia	182	145
22A	Parish Building on Land of Al Olinde, 10871 Olinde Lane, Ventress	371	283
23	Glynn Fire Station, 14839 Chenal Road, Jarreau	209	180
24	Alma Fire Station, 12841 LA Hwy. 416, Lakeland	150	111
ABSENTEE		1,388	986
TOTALS		6,101	4,171
MAJORITY FOR		1,930	

The polling places above specified being the only polling places designated at which to hold the said election, it was therefore shown that there was a total of **6,101** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** the Proposition and a total of **4,171** votes cast **AGAINST** the Proposition, as hereinabove set forth,

and that there was a majority of **1,930** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** the Proposition as hereinabove set forth.

Therefore, the Governing Authority did declare and proclaim and does hereby declare and proclaim in open and public session that the Proposition as hereinabove set forth was duly **CARRIED** by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the said special election held in the Parish on Tuesday, November 8, 2016.

Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of this *Procès Verbal* is a copy of the Notice of Special Election and proof of publication thereof.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at New Roads, Louisiana, on this, the 13th day of December, 2016.

ATTEST: _____/s/ Cornell T. Dukes
President

_____/s/ Gerrie P. Martin
Secretary

EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), on April 26, 2016, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION
(SALES TAX RENEWAL)

Shall the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), under the provisions of Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974 and Section 338.54 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, be authorized to continue to levy and collect a tax of one-fourth of one percent (1/4%) (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption and storage for use or consumption of tangible personal property and on the sales of services in the Parish, all as defined by law, (an estimated \$850,665 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, from July 1, 2017, the proceeds of the Tax (after paying reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administering the Tax), to be dedicated to and used solely for capital improvements, maintenance and operation of the Pointe Coupee Parish Health Services District Number One?

The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the Parish, which polls will open at six o'clock (6:00) a.m., and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit:

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24	Alma Fire Station, 12841 LA Hwy. 416, Lakeland

The polling places set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6-A and Chapter 6-B of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Annex Building, 160 East Main Street, New Roads, Louisiana, on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016**, at **FIVE-THIRTY O'CLOCK (5:30) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

PROCLAMATION

I, the undersigned President of the Police Jury of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana, the governing authority of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), do hereby declare, proclaim and announce that the proposition submitted at the special election held in the Parish on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, was CARRIED by a majority of the votes cast at the said special election, all as described and set out in the above *Procès Verbal*.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at New Roads, Louisiana, on this, the 13th day of December, 2016.

/s/ Cornell T. Dukes

President

UPDATE ON PECAN ACRES FUNDING

Vice President Olinde reported that President Dukes is meeting with the Governor to secure funding for Pecan Acres and other areas in the parish affected by the recent flood.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS (DIRECTORS & SUPERVISORS):

Animal Control Officer

Troy LeCoq was absent and no Animal Control Report was presented.

Building Maintenance Supervisor

Ken Vosburg is out on sick leave and no Building Maintenance Report was presented.

Certified Building Official

Tommy Leonard is out on sick leave and a report on the residential and commercial permits issued in the parish was presented.

Multi-Use Center Director

Weldon Jewell reported on the upcoming activities scheduled at the Multi-Use Center.

Parish Treasurer

Becky Mayeux presented a report on finances of the Jury.

Public Utilities Supervisor

Albert Sneed was absent and a Public Utilities Maintenance Report was presented.

Public Utilities Billing and Collections Supervisor

Beverly Francois is out on sick leave, and Administrative Assistant Linette Pascalin presented a Utilities Billing and Collections and Daily Cash Reports. She reported on receiving calls and walk-ins from customers making payment arrangements for collections of their bad debts. She reported employee John Lindsly completed the house count in Gas District No. 1 totaling 4,038 houses, and has begun counting in District No. 2. In response to Juror Cox, she reported five (5) employees in the office completed the data entry of removing the utilities bad debts was completed in November.

Public Works Director

James David was ill and a monthly Work Orders Report for drainage and road projects in the parish was presented.

Recreation Director

Sal Genusa presented a report on recreation in the parish. In response to Juror Cox about concerns received from citizens wanting to know if PC Rec will be hosting a basketball program in the parish, Mr. Genusa stated that there will be a basketball program. Recreation Chairman Hurst stated that he has discussed the basketball program with Mr. Genusa and since he lost 70% of his employees, this matter was going to be discussed at a Recreation Committee meeting, which was scheduled and cancelled due to lack of a quorum. Juror Cox stated regardless of the staff reduction, registration forms should have been taken. After further discussions, The Jury advised Mr. Genusa to begin accepting the registration forms for the basketball program. Jurors Smith and Langlois voiced concerns and the need to address not having a quorum and schedule regular meetings of the Recreation Committee.

Sales Tax Director

In the absence of Ronell Roubique, a Sales Tax Collections and Delinquent Taxpayers Reports were presented.

CAMPAIGN TO ASK RESIDENTS ALONG FALSE RIVER TO DONATE AND PLANT CYPRESS TREES ALONG THE LAKE

Vice President Olinde reported Delta Land Service is donating Cypress Trees for interested residents along False River to plant along the river. After discussion, the Jury agreed to place an ad in The Banner to advise residents about this service and where to obtain the trees.

QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO HOME RULE CHARTER ELECTION

Juror Jarreau made a statement about the Home Rule Charter election held in November and questioned Section 6.06: Election of Officials in the Home Rule Charter, which states that an election will be held in the fall of 2018 for the parish president and eight-member council members, and they would take office on January 14, 2019. He stated upon his research of Title 33:1236, the commission, Police Jury or any local agencies does not have the authority to override state laws, which the legislature sets the term limits for all elected officials in Louisiana. He stated the commission attempt to take away one (1) year from the current 12-member Police Jury districts violated the state law and their rights to serve the remainder of their terms. In closing, he requested approval of the Jury to authorized Attorney Leo Hamilton to review this matter further and submit a report of his findings to the Jury.

Juror Cox disagreed with Juror Jarreau regarding Section 6.06 in the Home Rule Charter regarding the election of officials. He stated that the people of the parish have spoken by voting and approving the charter in November as presented, with the knowledge that the current term for the Jurors would be decreased. He stated it is his understanding that if anyone wants to contest the charter they would have to do so at their own expense. He reported that there have been terms shorten across the states and have been previously upheld. He suggested allowing Attorney Dannie Garrett conduct a research of the laws since he assisted the commission with preparing the charter. He does not agree to engage the Jury into officially contesting this matter, because it was the Jury following state law that presented the charter to the people, and if anyone feels disenfranchise, they have the legal right to take this matter to court at their expense.

Vice President Olinde stated he made the motion to form the Charter Commission and is all about the voice of the people, but it does not mean the people were not misinformed. He stated if they did anything wrong against the laws of the State of Louisiana, he definitely want this matter investigated, because it's their duties as elected officials of the parish to make sure everything was done properly.

Juror Smith stated he supported the charter and thinks it a great form of government, and apparently the people also as well. He stated that he supported the fact that their terms would be shorten, and his opinion was if it goes to the public, they voted for it and that is was what they want, he was fine. He stated if a law exist and is being identified, he does not want to violate any laws and just want to see everything start off well.

Juror Bueche commented that you have to be very careful when you are dealing with the election law because in the election law it is stated that the legislature sets the terms of elected officials and no one can take away an elected official term, which has happen in this particular case. She stated that it is very alarming if you do not go forward and make certain what was voted upon is not correct, and she feels it was incorrectly done by taking one year from their current term.

Juror Cox stated the vote was not taken by the Charter Commission or the Jury, and that the Jury followed the law by voting to form the commission who legally had to complete a charter or no charter in 18 months. He stated once the charter was completed the Jury had no choice but to send to the people for a vote. He stated the voters made the change, just like many things have been changed by the vote of the people. However, he will vote to have this matter investigated further. He stated the Home Rule Charter Commission was part of the Police Jury, and if anyone wants to contest the charter they may do so at their expense.

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

RESOLVED, That Attorney Leo Hamilton be tasked to review Title 33:1236 as it relates to the Pointe Coupee Parish Home Rule Charter regarding the terms of the current Jury members and submit his findings to the Police Jury.

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

YEAS: Messrs. Cox, Cline, Bazile, Hurst, Jarreau, Langlois, Watkins, Taylor, Mrs. Bueche, Messrs. Smith and Olinde.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Mr. Dukes.
On a vote of 11-0-0-1, the motion carried.

Juror Jarreau responded to Juror Cox by stating he would spend the money if the review comes back favorable. He reminded Juror Cox of being chairman of the committee to form members of the commission and that the commission had a budget of \$5,000 and spent \$22,000 without further approval of the Jury.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Parish Engineer Kevin Gravois gave an overview of his written report submitted to Jurors that included updates on various drainage and road projects in the parish. Mr. Fred McClain of Coastal Bridge was present to address any questions from Jurors about the road project.

LAND SURVEYOR'S REPORT

Land Surveyor Cletus Langlois gave an overview of his written report submitted to Jurors that included updates on various drainage projects in the parish, including updates on Pecan Acres and other areas affected by the recent flood. He announced in January that he will be relocating his office in the parish from Port Allen to New Roads.

UPDATE ON FALSE RIVER

Vice President Olinde gave an update on False River, and reported the water level was 11.2.

RESOLUTIONS:

APPROVE INVOICES FOR PECAN LANE OVER THE CHENAL BRIDGE INSPECTION, ROAD MAINTENANCE & REHABILITATION PROGRAM, AND HGA FOR IKE/GUSTAV DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM

Motion by Mrs. Bueche and seconded by Mr. Jarreau:

RESOLVED, That an invoice in the amount of \$1,200.00 submitted by Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation for the Pecan Lane over Bayou Chenal bridge inspection be approved for payment; and be it

RESOLVED further, That an invoice in the amount of \$1,150,009.18 submitted by Coastal Bridge Company, LLC, invoices in the amount of \$17,882.87 and \$37,895.86 submitted by Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation, and invoices in the amount of \$10,915.00 and \$5,885.00 submitted by Southern Earth Sciences, Inc. for the Road Maintenance & Rehabilitation Program be approved for payment; and be it

RESOLVED further, That an invoice in the amount of \$2,604.78 (Interim Billing #61) submitted by Hunt, Guillot & Associates, LLC for the Ike/Gustav Disaster Recovery Program be approved for payment.

Unanimously carried.

AUTHORIZE PRESIDENT TO SIGN A GRANT APPLICATION WITH LA DOTD FOR COUNCIL ON AGING TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM IN THE PARISH

Motion by Mrs. Bueche and seconded by Mr. Taylor:

Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for a grant under 49 CFR 5311, Non-Urbanized Area Formula Program and/or 49 CFR 5309, Discretionary Capital Program.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation and Development is authorized to make grants for mass transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provisions by it of the local share of project costs; and

WHEREAS, it is required by Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in accord with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U. S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the Applicant that minority business enterprise be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and the definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority businesses shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment, or consultant and other services: Therefore be it

RESOLVED by Pointe Coupee Parish:

1. That the President is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Pointe Coupee Parish with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, to aid in the financing of operating and/or capital assistance projects pursuant to the Rural Public Transit Program, 49 CFR 5311 and/or the Discretionary Capital Program, 49 CFR 5309.
2. That the President is authorized to execute and file with such applications an assurance or any other document required by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.
3. That the President is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development may require in connection with the application or the project.
4. That the President is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.
5. That the President is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of Pointe Coupee Parish with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for aid in the financing of the operating or capital assistance projects.

This resolution is applicable for a period of one year unless revoked by the governing body and copy of such revocation shall be furnished to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR OLIVER JAMES CAGE, II FOR KIN' FOLKS, LLC AT NEW ROADS, LA

Motion by Mr. Bazile and seconded by Mr. Hurst:

RESOLVED, That a Liquor License for Oliver James Cage, II for Kin's Folks, LLC (8531 Ferry Road) at New Roads be deferred, pending report from State Fire Marshal, building is handicap accessible and approval of the Health Department.

Unanimously carried.

ACCEPT PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL A GATE AT THE ENTRANCE OF AN EMERGENCY ACCESS ROAD IN RIVERBEND SUBDIVISION AT VENTRESS

Motion by Mr. Watkins and seconded by Mr. Langlois:

RESOLVED, That a proposal submitted by Fontaine Lumber Company, Inc. in the amount of \$165.06 for the purchase and installation of a gate at the entrance of an emergency access road in Riverbend Subdivision at Ventress be accepted.

Unanimously carried.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

PLANNING

Vice President Olinde reported on a Planning Commission meeting held November 17, 2016. Copies of the minutes were emailed to each Juror. He presented the following recommendation/resolutions for approval:

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

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of the Pointe Coupee Parish Planning Commission and Parish Sanitarian, that a plat showing the subdivision of Lot IGB-4 into Lot IGB-4-A and Lot IGB-4-B (Iris G. Bueche Riverbank Property) located off of LA Highway 413 in Section 31, T5S & R10E at Ventress for Gerald W. St. Romain be approved; and be it

RESOLVED further, That upon the recommendation of the Pointe Coupee Parish Planning Commission and Parish Sanitarian, that a plat showing the re-subdivision of the Remainder of Tract B-2 into B-2-A, Tract B-2-B, Tract B-2-C, Tract B-2-D, Tract B-2-E & the remaining portion of the Tract B-2 formerly a portion of the West ½ of Point Prospect Plantation located off of LA Hwy. 978 in Section 68, T5S & R10E at Oscar for Derek P. Moreau be approved; and be it

RESOLVED further, That Derek Moreau be granted preliminary approval of the development of a subdivision at Oscar, pending review and approval by the Parish Engineer and Certified Building Official; and be it

RESOLVED further, That the Livestock Ordinance be referred back to the Police Jury to request the Capital Regional Planning Commission to conduct a study, craft an ordinance and hold a public hearing for such ordinance; and be it

RESOLVED further, That the 60' servitude between Lot 15 and Lot 14 in Sun Island Subdivision be abandoned; and be it

RESOLVED further, That Mr. Cornell Dukes be authorized to execute the above mentioned plats for Gerald W. St. Romain and Derek Moreau.

Unanimously carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chairman Smith reported on the Economic Development Committee and their plans for the future. He commented on retention of the committee members and potential nominees for 2017. He commented on the committee will be reviewing their 2017 budget in January.

FINANCE

Chairman Cox reported on a Finance Committee meeting held November 30, 2016. Copies of the minutes were emailed to each Juror. He presented the following recommendation/resolutions for approval:

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

RESOLVED, That the budget adoption resolution for amending the 2016 Budget and adopting the 2017 Operating Budget be approved by the Jury.

Unanimously carried.

Juror Bueche and Juror Jarreau commented on the reason for the following resolution was because there was no reduction or budget cuts at the Multi-Use Center that was made in other departments by the Jury. Juror Jarreau voiced concerns about the salary for the director of the Multi-Use Center, which is a part-time position.

Juror Hurst inquired with Multi-Use Center Director Weldon Jewell about how many hours he works during a week, to establish if the position is part-time or full-time and is being compensated accordingly.

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

RESOLVED, That the recommendation to obtain legal advice from Labor Attorney Bob David about cutting the Multi-Use Center Director's salary by 25% be deferred until reviewed further by meetings of the Finance, Personnel and Recreation Committees; and be it

RESOLVED further, That the Multi-Use Center Director present a schedule outlining his duties for one (1) month and forward to the committees prior to their meetings.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That the Police Jury advertise in The Pointe Coupee Banner and on Central Bidding for Request for Proposals (RFPs) for solid waste disposal be approved.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That funds not be appropriated in 2017 for one (1) John Deere 290 machine (Machine #102).

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That Messrs. Kyle Olinde and James David decide which one (1) of the two (2) John Deere machines will be returned and that Attorney Dannie Garrett be tasked to assist with the return procedure of the John Deere machine.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That the proposal from Paychex Flex Enterprise be tabled.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That the proposal from ERT to complete and deploy the Regional Fence Line Monitor chemical security network for 2017 at a monthly rate of \$100 and not to exceed \$5,000.00 to provide data, deploy sensors during the "shelter in place" and "AskRail" mobile app. be accepted.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, That the secretary be authorized to advertise online with Central Bidding for Request for Qualifications (RFQs) to conduct the annual audit of the Police Jury.

Unanimously carried.

PERSONNEL

Chairman Olinde reported on a Personnel Committee meeting held December 8, 2016. Copies of the

minutes were emailed to each Juror. He presented the following recommendation/resolutions for approval:

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

RESOLVED, That Corrective Discipline form be placed in Mr. John Turner's personnel file; and be it

RESOLVED further, That the secretary be authorized to post a Position Vacancy Announcement for a Utilities Clerk with a minimum salary of \$22,667.00 for one (1) week, and if no employees apply within this time frame, advertise a Position Notice for two (2) weeks in the Official Journal; and be it

RESOLVED further, That the secretary be authorized to post a Position Vacancy Announcement for an Equipment Operator I (Groundskeeper) with a minimum salary of \$20,808.00 for one (1) week, and if no employees apply within this time frame, advertise a Position Notice for two (2) weeks in the Official Journal; and be it

RESOLVED further, That the secretary be authorized to post a Position Vacancy Announcement for an Administrative Assistant for Recreation with a minimum salary of \$24,335.00 for one (1) week, and if no employees apply within this time frame, advertise a Position Notice for two (2) weeks in the Official Journal; and be it

RESOLVED further, That a new job title and position be created for a Recreation Supervisor with an annual salary of \$27,634.00; and be it

RESOLVED further, That Equipment Operation I (Groundskeeper) Ryan Sanders be promoted to the position of Recreation Supervisor, pending approval of Labor Attorney Bob David; and be it

RESOLVED further, That the GPS devices be placed in the following company vehicles and equipment assigned to: Employees Albert Sneed, Johnny Christal, John Turner, Terry Pascalin, Frank Dawson, James David, Troy LeCoq, Derriontre Victorian, Raymond LaCour, Mike Daignepont, Clarence Bowie, Sal Genusa, Joe Zaback, Ken Vosburg and Tommy Leonard; and be it

RESOLVED further, that the Police Jury observes Tuesday, December 27, 2016 and Tuesday, January 3, 2017 as Christmas and New Year's Holidays.

Unanimously carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In the absence of the president, there was no report.

Motion by Mr. Langlois and seconded by Mr. Watkins, the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Gerrie P. Martin
Secretary

Kyle Olinde
Vice President