

March 9, 2009
Jonesboro, Louisiana
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The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in regular session Monday, March 9, 2009 at 6:00 PM in the Jackson Parish Community Center located at 182 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Tom Goss, Mr. Eddie Langston, Mr. Kent Hightower, Mr. Nathaniel Zeno, Jr., Ms. Maxie Monroe, Mr. Ray Duck and Mr. Troy Smith. Also present: Mr. Douglas Stokes, Assistant District Attorney.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. Langston. Ms. Monroe gave the invocation and Mr. Duck led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The president called for amendments to the agenda:

Take bids for courthouse roof project under advisement.

Approve overtime in road department for 2009 road program.

Appoint Sherman Smith to the Jackson Parish Watershed Commission.

There were no public comments on the proposed amendments.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Zeno to amend the agenda to include:

Take bids for the courthouse roof project under advisement.

Approve overtime in road department for 2009 road program.

Appoint Sherman Smith to the Jackson Parish Watershed Commission.

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Zeno to adopt the minutes of the February 9, 2009 minutes, the February 18, 2009 minutes, the February financial report and the payment of all bills. Motion carried.

The president called for committee reports:

The secretary-treasurer gave the report of the road committee:

“Road Committee

March 5, 2009

The Road Committee of the Jackson Parish Police Jury met Thursday, March 5, 2009 at 12:00 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Jackson Parish Courthouse in Jonesboro. Members present: Mr. Goss and Mr. Hightower. Absent: Mr. Langston. Also present: Mr. Zeno, Ms. Monroe, Mr. Duck and Mr. Smith.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Hightower. Mr. Goss gave the invocation and Mr. Zeno led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no public comments.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Hightower to recommend that the jury adopt the 2009 road program projects as presented by the engineer:

Overlay:

Nine Pines Road	BT – Major 1 List
Firetower (1/2)	BT – Major 2 List
Concord	BT – Medium 1 List
Cotton	BT – Minor 2 List

Cracked Fuel Oil:

Vernon-Eros (1/2)	Gravel – Major 1 List
Mosswood	Gravel – Major 2 List
Kelley	Gravel – Major 3 List
Hurricane	Gravel – Major 4 List
Robinson Chapel	Gravel – Major 4 List
Whitman	BT – Minor 1 List

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Hightower to recommend that the jury approve the engineer's recommendation to hard surface the entire existing gravel portion of Mosswood Road (2.5 miles), the entire existing gravel section of Kelley Road (2.6 miles of Section G-2), and one-half of the existing gravel section of Vernon-Eros Road (3.0 miles). Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Hightower to authorize the engineer to expend up to \$120,000 for leveling with hot mix at the 2009 materials bid price; with the cost charged to the 2009 road project fund. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Hightower to recommend that the president issue a letter to the Governor's Office of Community Development to reconsider assessment of \$250/day penalty for 2008 LCDBG Street Project due to failure of the *Jackson Independent* to publish bid notice as submitted. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to recommend that a letter be submitted to the Department of Transportation requesting that LA 809 be rebuilt with more than a 2 inch overlay as agreed upon in the resolution of transfer as adopted on August 7, 2000. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to recommend that the jury authorize the purchase of a brush ax and tractor from Ag-Con as state contract price of \$67,544.42 from Road funds. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to recommend that the jury authorize the president to sign the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss to refund Weyerhaeuser one-half of the billed invoice for damage to Riser Road. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to adjourn. Motion carried.”

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Duck to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the March 5th road committee. Motion carried.

Ms. Monroe gave the report of the building and grounds committee:

“Building & Grounds
March 5, 2009

The Building & Grounds Committee met Thursday, March 5, 2009 at 1:30 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Courthouse. Members present: Mr. Goss, Mr. Hightower and Ms. Monroe. Also present: Mr. Zeno, Mr. Duck and Mr. Smith.

The meeting was called to order by the chairwoman, Ms. Monroe. There were no public comments.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Ms. Monroe to recommend that the jury approve the application of a non-slip surface to the courthouse basement, and that courthouse tenants using the basement for access be notified in advance of dates that the area will be restricted during the application and drying process during the normal workday. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Hightower to adjourn. Motion carried.”

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Smith to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the March 5th building and grounds committee meeting as amended deleting the recommendation on the courthouse roof project. Motion carried.

Mr. Zeno gave the report of the finance committee:

“Finance
March 5, 2009

The Finance Committee met Thursday, March 5, 2009 at 2:00 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Courthouse. Members present: Mr. Zeno and Mr. Duck. Absent: Mr. Langston. Also present: Mr. Goss, Mr. Hightower, Ms. Monroe and Mr. Smith.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Zeno. There were no public comments.

Mr. Zeno requested that the agenda be amended to include the funding for the potential purchase of property for a solid waste bin site. There were no comments from the public.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Zeno to amend the agenda to include the funding for the potential purchase of property for a solid waste bin site. All voted in favor.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Zeno to recommend that the jury utilize solid waste funds for the purchase of property to be used as a solid waste bin site. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Zeno to omit from the agenda the donation to the Dugdemona Soil & Water Conservation District. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Duck to recommend that the jury amend the amount to be transferred to the beautification council to \$11,225.11 with the beautification council to be responsible for the payment of architectural fees from the funds transferred from the general fund. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Duck to recommend that the jury affirm the 2009 salary schedule for the parish coroner at \$1,600 per month and a salary of \$200 per month to the chief deputy coroner. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the jury request an amendment to the bylaws of the Jackson Parish Industrial District Board to delete the appointment of the jury president, and insert "a member of the Jackson Parish Police Jury selected by the Jury". Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that November 14th be selected as the date for the millage renewal election for the roads and bridges and the road / asphalt paving ad valorem taxes expiring in 2009. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the jury authorize the OEP Director to advertise for the purchase of generators to be paid from GOHSEP grants funds. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Zeno to adjourn. Motion carried."

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Ms. Monroe to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the March 5th finance committee meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Hightower to take the bids for the courthouse roofing project under advisement. Motion carried.

Mr. Paul Riley gave the engineer's report.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to reject the bids for the LCDBG Street Project and to authorize the engineer to advertise for bids for the 2008 LCDBG Street Project. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Hightower to approve the purchase of computer hardware for the road department in the amount of \$10,667.02 from Hi-Tech Computers to be paid from LTAP Grant funds. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Goss to amend the agenda to include authorization for the engineer to purchase up to \$18,000 of backfill material and riprap material for the 2009 road program. There were no public comments on the amendment. All voted in favor.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to authorize the engineer to purchase up to \$18,000 for backfill and riprap material to be paid for from the 2009 Road Project fund. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Smith to accept the engineer's report. Motion carried.

Mr. Jody Stuckey presented the road report.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Hightower to accept the emergency / off schedule report of the road superintendent. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to approve the 4 day, 10 hour per day work week in the road department for the duration of daylight savings time. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to approve the overtime of road employees for drainage work associated with the 2009 road project with overtime labor costs to be paid from the 2009 Road Project Fund. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Duck to approve the road report.

Mr. Robin Sessions presented the solid waste report.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Ms. Monroe to accept the solid waste report. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Hightower to appoint Sean Disotell to a full term on the Jackson Parish Hospital Board. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Duck to reappoint Kevin Reeves to a full term on the Recreation District Board. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Goss to appoint the following to the Ward 2 Fire Protection District Board:

John McCarty (New appointment)

Steve Brister and Marvin Myers (reappointment)

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Smith to appoint Sherman Smith to the Jackson Parish Watershed Commission. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Ms. Monroe to approve the payment of invoices and purchase orders:

Town of Jonesboro	\$ 650.00	General
All Pro Sound	\$ 540.00	General
McCartney Oil	\$ 700.00	Road
Coburn's Supply	\$ 446.40	2009 Road Project
Contech Construction	\$34,324.10	2009 Road Project
Bumper to Bumper	\$ 714.68	Solid Waste

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Ms. Monroe to adjourn. Motion carried.