

July 13, 2009
Jonesboro, Louisiana
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The Jackson Parish Police Jury met Monday, July 13, 2009 at 5:45 PM in the Jackson Parish Community Center located at 182 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana to conduct a public hearing to receive comments from the public on the removal of Rayner Road from the parish road system. 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. Mr. Hightower gave the invocation and Mr. Zeno led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The president opened the public hearing to receive comments from the public.

Mr. Freddy Tolar opposed the removal of Rayner Road from the parish road system because the natural gas line furnishing gas to residents of Chatham is located in the right of way of Rayner Road.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

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The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in regular session Monday, July 13, 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.

The following amendments were presented:

Request of Senator David Vitter for use of the Community Center for a Town Hall meeting on August 8, 2009 with fees waived.

Request of Pine Belt MPAA for use of the Community Center on August 12th with fees waived.

Purchase of fencing material for the Ansley Colored Cemetery.

There were no public comments from the public on the amendments.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Smith to amend the agenda to include:

Request of Senator David Vitter for use of the Community Center for a Town Hall meeting on August 8, 2009 with fees waived.

Request of Pine Belt MPAA for use of the Community Center on August 12th with fees waived.

Purchase of fencing material for the Ansley Colored Cemetery.

Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

The president recognized Renee Stringer of the Beautification Council. She discussed problems pertaining to the lack of assistance provided by the jury toward the goals and projects of the Beautification Council. Ms. Stringer submitted her letter of resignation and a letter of resignation from Kathy Bonier from the Beautification Council.

Ms. Kim Cockerham presented an update on the 4-H activities; Ms. Diane Uzzle and Mr. Matt Stephens discussed their programs with the LSU Ag Extension Service.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Duck to adopt the minutes of the June 8, 2009 meeting, June 16, 2009 meeting, the June 29, 2009 minutes as amended, the June financial report, and the payment of all bills. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Ms. Monroe to accept the engineer's report. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to accept the report of the road superintendent. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to accept the solid waste monthly report. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Duck to purchase a 7' X 16' utility trailer from Lowe's at a cost of \$4,500.00 for use in the recycling program. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Duck to accept the following high bids for the sale of surplus property in the solid waste department:

Caterpillar D60 – Donnie Gibbs \$4,001

1980 Komatsu PCUU Trackhoe – Donnie Gibbs \$1,001

Sanborn Air compressor with 5hp engine – Donnie Gibbs \$10

1938 Tractor – Larry Huddleston \$31.51

Water pump with engine – Larry Huddleston \$11.51

Water pump without engine – Larry Huddleston \$11.51

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Hightower to purchase one acre of property from Richard Stewart for a model bin site in the Quitman area at the appraised value of \$10,000 from solid waste funds. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to accept the resignation of Kenny Cobb from the Jackson parish Watershed Commission. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Smith to appoint Lavelle Smith to fill the unexpired term of Kenny Cobb on the Jackson Parish Watershed Commission. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Hightower to approve the minor renovations to the Extension Agent's office as requested. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Duck to approve the annual software maintenance contract for 2009-2010 in the amount of \$4,466 by Software & Services. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to approve payment of the 2nd quarter reimbursement to the Second Judicial District Attorney's Office in the amount of \$25,000. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Smith to approve the professional travel request of Pat Joye and Rasheda Combs to attend the Parish Officials Conference in Many August 12-14, 2009. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Goss to approve the following purchase orders:

Lamkin Advertising Specialties	\$ 425.00	Solid Waste
Amethyst Construction	\$35,000.00	Asphalt
JPS Equipment Co.	\$ 500.00	Asphalt

Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Goss to approve the request of Sen. David Vitter for use of the community center on August 8th for a Town Hall meeting with fees waived. Motion carried with Mr. Zeno and Mr. Smith voting against.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Duck to approve the request of Pine Belt MPAA for use of the community center on August 12th with fees waived. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Duck to request an opinion of legal counsel on the purchase of fencing material up to \$700 for the Ansley Colored Cemetery. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Duck to adjourn. Motion carried.