

July 25, 2007
Jonesboro, Louisiana
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The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in special session Wednesday, July 25, 2007 at 1:00 PM in the Jackson Parish Community Center located at 182 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Carl Atkins, Mr. Eddie Langston, Mr. Nathaniel Zeno, Jr., Ms. Maxie Monroe, and Mr. Troy Smith. Absent: Mr. Darrell Magee and Dr. Charles Garrett. Also present: Mr. Douglas Stokes, Assistant District Attorney.

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

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Langston to amend the agenda to include construction of 300 foot communications tower and installation of repeaters at the road department facility from HSOEP 2005 FY grant funds. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Atkins to amend the agenda to include request of Town of Jonesboro for use of community center on July 31st. Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Smith to repeal the Building Code Ordinance as adopted on February 12, 2007. Motion carried.

Mr. Greg Blount of IBTS gave a presentation of the mandates of the State Building Code as amended and the operation of the parish's Building Code Department.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Smith to adopt the following ordinance:

**BUILDING CODE ORDINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 06-0725-2007**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PARISH OF JACKSON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ENACTING CERTAIN BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION CODES; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF SUCH CODES; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATIONS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A BUILDING OFFICIAL OR OFFICIALS; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Legislature by Act 12 of the First Extraordinary Session of 2005 enacted Part IV-B of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, providing for the mandatory adoption by parishes and municipalities of certain building codes; and as amended during the Regular Session of 2007, HB 704.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Jackson, State of Louisiana, convened in special session on the 25th day of July, 2007, does hereby adopt Ordinance No. 06-0725-2007 as described herein and shall be effective the date of public notification this the 25th day of July, 2007:

SECTION 1

Section 1.1 Definitions

(a) "Building Official" shall mean that employee or individual appointed to serve as the building official for the Parish of Jackson, State of Louisiana.

(b) "Farm Structure" shall mean a structure which is constructed on a farm, other than a residence or structure attached to it, for use on the farm; including but not limited to barns, sheds and poultry houses, but not public livestock areas.

(c) "Recreational Camps" shall mean private outdoor recreational structures, other than a residence or a structure attached to a residence, such as a hunting or fishing camp.

Section 1.2 Adoption of State Uniform Construction Code

Pursuant to the provisions of LSA-R.S. 40:1730.21 et seq., the following codes are hereby adopted as the regulations governing the construction alteration, removal, demolition, equipment, use, occupancy, location, maintenance and improvements of buildings and other structures in the Parish of Jackson, State of Louisiana; excluding farm structures and recreational camps:

(a) The International Building Code, 2006 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, and all standards referenced therein, excluding Chapter 11—Accessibility, Chapter 27—Electrical, and Chapter 29—Plumbing Systems; and

(b) The International Existing Building Code, 2006 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, including any standards referenced therein, and

(c) International Residential Code, 2006 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, including Appendix J, Existing Buildings and Structures, but excluding Parts V—Mechanical, VII—Plumbing, and VIII—Electrical. For purposes of this Ordinance, IRC R301.2.1.1 (Design Criteria) shall be amended as follows, which amendments shall only apply to the International Residential Code, 2006 Edition:

- 1) Item 6 of *Guide to Concrete Masonry Residential Construction in High Winds Areas*, as published by the American Concrete Institute, shall be added;
- 2) Item 7, *Optional Code-plus Fortified for Safer Living*, as published by Institute for Business and Home Safety, shall be added; and
- 3) Item 8, *Optional Code-plus Blueprint for Safety*, as published by Federal Alliance for Safe Homes, shall be added.

- 4) International Mechanical Code, 2006 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, and all standards referenced therein;
- 5) Louisiana State *Plumbing* Code (Part XIV [Plumbing] of the State Sanitary Code);
- 6) International Fuel Gas Code, 2006 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, and all standards referenced therein; and
- 7) National Electrical Code, 2005 Edition, as published by the National Fire Protection Association.

Unless specified otherwise, all standards referenced in a code are adopted and included herein. Unless other referenced by name or letter designation, no appendix or appendices to a code are adopted and included herein.

Section 1.3 Permits

It shall be unlawful to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of any building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by the technical codes adopted in Section 1.2, or to cause any such work to be done, without obtaining a properly issued permit from the Jackson Parish Building Official for that work.

Section 1.4 Application for Permit

The permit mandated under Section 1.3 shall only be issued after the owner or his designee has submitted an application for a construction permit to the Jackson Parish Building Official and that official has approved the application for permit. The application shall, at a minimum, include the following information:

- a) Name, address, and daytime telephone number of owner;
- b) Name, address, and daytime telephone number of any and all contractors;
- c) Location of the construction;
- d) Description of the construction, including but not limited to square footage, type of construction, intended occupancy, and whether any work will involve following types:
 - 1) Electrical,
 - 2) Concrete or masonry,
 - 3) Plumbing,
 - 4) Structural, and
 - 5) Natural gas, liquefied gas, or other gas fuel;
- e) Anticipated completion of construction

Section 1.5 Certification of Compliance

It shall be unlawful for any structure or other construction which is required to be permitted under Section 1.3 to be occupied, used, or otherwise put in service before the owner or his designee has filed a certificate of completion and compliance on the form provided by the

Jackson Parish Building Official. The certificate of completion and compliance shall include the following information:

- a) Name, address, and daytime telephone number of owner;
- b) Name, address, and daytime telephone number of any and all contractors;
- c) Location of the construction;
- d) Description of the construction, including but not limited to square footage, type of construction, and intended occupancy;
- e) Date of completion

Section 1.6 Enforcement of Construction Code

The Building Official of Jackson Parish may, through the Parish Attorney, seek to enjoin further construction or work which is required to be permitted under this Chapter and which construction or work does not have a validly issued permit. Further, the Building Official may seek to enjoin the occupancy or use of any building or structure which has, without compliance with this Chapter, been, in whole or in part, constructed, enlarged, altered, repaired, moved, demolished, or the occupancy changed or for which the electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system has been erected, installed, enlarged, altered, repaired, removed, converted or replaced in any fashion.

Section 1.7 Building Official

There shall be a Jackson Parish Building Official or Officials who shall be the parish building code enforcement officers responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code in the Parish of Jackson.

Section 1.8 Penalty

Any person, partnership, or corporation who violates any of the provisions of this chapter or aids or abets in the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine of not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00), nor less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each offense.

SECTION 2

Pursuant to La. R. S. 40: 1730.25, LAC 55:VI, and the Jackson Parish Code of Ordinances Section 1.7, Gerald O'Haver is hereby appointed and confirmed as the Building Official for the Parish of Jackson.

SECTION 3

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

SECTION 4

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause and/or phrase of this Ordinance or the application thereof is declared unconstitutional, unenforceable or invalid by the valid judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction such unconstitutionality, unenforceability or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and/or phrases of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the Parish of Jackson without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional, unenforceable or invalid section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase. To that end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

SECTION 5

All other ordinances, or any parts thereof, which are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

This Ordinance as adopted was read and considered by sections and as a whole, and on motion by Ms. Monroe and seconded by Mr. Smith was adopted by the following YEA and NAY vote:

YEAS: Mr. Atkins, Mr. Langston, Mr. Zeno, Ms. Monroe and Mr. Smith

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Magee and Dr. Garrett

ATTEST:

NATHANIEL ZENO, PRESIDENT

KENNETH PARDUE,
SECRETARY/TREASURER

CERTIFICATE

I, KENNETH PARDUE, the undersigned Secretary/Treasurer of the Jackson Parish Police Jury declare that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the Jackson Parish Police Jury at a legal meeting held on the 25th day of July, 2007 at which a quorum was present and voting.

Jonesboro, Louisiana, on this 25th day of July, 2007.

KENNETH O. PARDUE, SECRETARY-TREASURER

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Smith to authorize the president to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Institute for Building Technology and Safety (IBTS) for assistance in acquiring grants through state and federal sources, acting as Jackson Parish's authorized agent in identifying available grant applications, following up on submitted grant applications and, upon approval of the grant, effectively administering grants on behalf of the jury. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Atkins to appoint to approve the following appointments to the Jackson Parish Museum and Fine Arts Association:

Yolande Barnes
Valerie Burnum
Julia K. Beal
Caroyln Bolds
Alyce Colvin
Raymond Jeffress
Carol Massey
Bettye Pate
Diane Rubens
Wilda Smith
JoAnn Teat
Christie Weeks
Dee Ann Zeno

Motion carried with Mr. Zeno abstaining.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Ms. Monroe to appoint Betty Duck to a full term on the Jackson Parish Beautification Council. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Ms. Monroe to appoint Steve Stokes to a full term on the Jackson Parish Watershed Board. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Langston to approve the installation of a drainage basin at the Jackson Heritage Museum at a cost of \$1,075.00. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Langston to accept the resignation of Eric Hall from the road department effective July 19, 2007. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Ms. Monroe to issue a quietus on the 2006 tax roll. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to approve the following purchase requests:

Hixson Autoplex	\$35,376.00	Building Code Grant
Automated Imaging	\$10,872.00	Building Code Grant
Wheels Unlimited	\$ 5,000.00	General
Irrigation Mart	\$ 1,300.00	2007 Road Project
Reed Plumbing	\$ 1,075.00	General

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Smith to accept the quotation of MidState Communication Service for the construction of a 300 ft communication tower and two repeaters and antennae from 2005 FY Homeland Security Grant Funds pending approval of auditors. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to approve the request of the Town of Jonesboro for use of the community center on July 31st. Motion carried.

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