

September 14, 2009
Jonesboro, Louisiana
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The Jackson Parish Police Jury met Monday, September 14, 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. 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.

There were no public comments.

The president called for amendments to the agenda. The following items were offered:
Authorize the president to sign the Hold Harmless Agreement with Joey Davis granting him permission to cross the jury's property to have access to his leased property located on Pardue Loop.
Grant leave without pay to David Jacobs October 1st through October 16, 2009.
Set term length of Mark Granger on Jackson Parish Industrial District Board.
Authorize repair to boiler vent pipe in courthouse.
LGAP applications

There were no public comments on the proposed amendments.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Smith to amend the agenda to include:
Authorize the president to sign the Hold Harmless Agreement with Joey Davis granting him permission to cross the jury's property to have access to his leased property located on Pardue Loop.
Grant leave without pay to David Jacobs October 1st through October 16, 2009.
Set term length of Mark Granger on Jackson Parish Industrial District Board.
Authorize repair to hot water heater vent pipe in courthouse.
LGAP applications
All voted in favor.

The president recognized Mr. Kurt Forman, CEO of Northwest Louisiana Economic Development Foundation. He presented an overview of the North Louisiana Economic Development Partnership and the Jury's role in economic development.

The president recognized Mr. Eddie Gatlin, Tax Assessor.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to sit as Board of Review for the 2009 Tax Assessment.

Mr. Eddie Gatlin, Tax Assessor presented the appeal of Compressor Systems, Inc. He requested that the jury uphold his assessment and deny the appeal of Compressor Systems, Inc.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Smith to uphold the assessment as presented by the Tax Assessor and to deny the changes to the 2009 tax roll as requested by Compressor Systems Inc., Motion Carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Ms. Monroe to affirm and accept the 2009 tax roll assessment as presented by the Jackson Parish Tax Assessor. Motion Carried

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to adopt the minutes of the August 10, 2009 and August 18, 2009 meetings, the August financial reports and the payment of all bills. Motion carried.

The president called for committee reports:

Mr. Smith presented the minutes of the Personnel Committee:

"Personnel
August 18, 2009

The Personnel Committee met Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 3:30 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Courthouse in Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Zeno, Mr. Duck and Mr. Smith. Also present: Mr. Goss, Mr. Langston, Mr. Hightower and Ms. Monroe.

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

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Smith to enter into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Smith to return to open session with no action having been taken. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Ms. Monroe to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the August 18, 2009 Personnel Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

The secretary-treasurer presented the report of the Road Committee:

"Road
August 18, 2009

The Road Committee met Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 4:10 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Courthouse Building in Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Goss, Mr. Langston and Mr. Hightower. Also present: Mr. Zeno, Ms. Monroe, Mr. Duck and Mr. Smith.

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

The following amendment to the agenda was offered:
Purchase of reclaimed asphalt – 2009 budget.

There were no comments from the public on the amendment.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Goss to amend the agenda to discuss the budget amendments to purchase reclaimed asphalt for 2009. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Goss to recommend that the jury approve the line item budget amendment in the road fund budget for the purchase of reclaimed asphalt. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Goss seconded Mr. Langston to recommend that the jury authorize the engineer and road superintendent to proceed with culvert replacements for the anticipated 2010 road project. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Duck to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the August 18, 2009 Road Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

Mr. Zeno presented the Finance report:

“Finance
August 18, 2009

The Finance Committee met Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 4:55 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Courthouse Building in Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Langston, Mr. Zeno and Mr. Duck. Also present: Mr. Goss, Mr. Hightower and Ms. Monroe.

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

The secretary-treasurer presented a report on the status of the 2009 consolidated budget and discussed needed corrections.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Langston to recommend that the jury purchase a 2,715 gallon truck tank from First Alarm in the amount of \$8,640 as requested by the road superintendent. Motion carried.

The committee discussed the \$300,000 state allocation for drinking water infrastructure improvements.

The solid waste and road superintendents presented their equipment lists for 2010.

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

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the August 18, 2009 Finance Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

Mr. Duck presented the report of the Solid Waste Committee:

“Solid Waste
August 31, 2009

The Solid Waste Committee met Monday, August 31, 2009 at 3:30 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Jackson Parish Courthouse. Members present: Mr. Langston, Ms. Monroe and Mr. Duck. Also present: Mr. Goss, Mr. Hightower, Mr. Zeno and Mr. Smith.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Duck. Ms. Monroe gave the invocation and Mr. Langston led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no public comments.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Ms. Monroe to recommend that the jury authorize the parish engineer to develop model bin sites of 120’ X 140’ for the Quitman and Chatham locations. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Ms. Monroe to recommend that the jury accept the quote of Dodson Enterprises in the amount of \$13,500 for the construction of a 30’ X 30’ metal building at the landfill. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Langston to adjourn. Motion carried.”

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the August 31, 2009 Solid Waste Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

Mr. Zeno presented the report of the Finance Committee:

“Finance
August 31, 2009

The Finance Committee met Monday, August 31, 2009 at 4:00 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Courthouse. Members present: Mr. Langston, Mr. Zeno and Mr. Duck. Also present: Mr. Goss, Mr. Hightower, Ms. Monroe and Mr. Smith.

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

The following amendments were presented:

Ms. Renee' Stringer, representing the Beautification Council
Authorize use of community center on September 27th for "Andy Brown Appreciation Day"
Discuss Parish Abatement Officer

There were no public comments on the amendments.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Duck to amend the agenda to include:

Ms. Renee' Stringer, representing the Beautification Council
Authorize use of community center on September 27th for "Andy Brown Appreciation Day"
Discuss Parish Abatement Officer
All voted in favor.

Ms. Renee' Stringer discussed the search for a landscape architect for the Veteran's Memorial Park project.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Langston to recommend that the jury authorize the Council to seek quotations for a landscape architect. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Langston to recommend that the jury authorize the secretary-treasurer to obtain a quote for upgrades to the parish's website. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Duck to recommend that the jury approve the use of the community center with no fees charged in recognition of "Andy Brown Appreciation Day" on September 27, 2009. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the jury authorize overtime in the maintenance department for preparation of the community center for September 27th. Motion carried.

Mr. Sam Lamkin, Chief Deputy Coroner discussed concerns of reimbursements in the Coroner's office.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Duck to recommend that the jury authorize the secretary-treasurer to request an opinion from legal counsel on retroactive reimbursements to the assistant coroners. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Duck to recommend that the jury authorize the amendment of the 2009 Consolidated Budget to add the following line item expense:

Jackson Parish Industrial District \$2,000

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Duck to authorize the secretary-treasurer to place in the Preliminary 2010 Budget for the Solid Waste Department the following line item expense for the consideration of purchasing a 1,000 HP shredder/grinder:

Equipment \$600,000

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Mr. Langston to authorize the secretary-treasurer to place in the Preliminary 2010 Budget for the Road Department the following line expense for the consideration of purchasing a tractor and side cutter:

Equipment \$60,000

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Duck to authorize the secretary-treasurer to place in the Preliminary 2010 Budget the following transfer from the General Fund to Capital Outlay:

Transfer from General Fund to Capital Outlay Fund \$300,000

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Duck to authorize the secretary-treasurer to place in the Preliminary 2010 General Fund Budget the following appropriations:

Local Support to all Fire Districts	\$ 30,000
National Guard	\$ 1,200
Pine Belt MPAA	\$ 12,000
Council on Aging	\$ 12,000
Beautification Council	\$ 2,500
Jackson Parish Heritage Museum	\$ 7,000
Municipality Appropriations	\$ 52,500
Chamber of Commerce	\$ 4,000
Regional Economic Development Bd.	\$ 7,500
4-H Shooting Sports	\$ 5,000
YES Program	\$ 25,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:	\$158,700

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Duck to authorize the secretary-treasurer to place the following line item in the 2010 Preliminary General Fund Budget:

Jackson Parish Industrial District Board \$7,500

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Duck to recommend that the jury establish a rule that no 2010 fiscal year appropriations be released until reviewed by the finance committee and approved by the entire jury. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Duck to adjourn. Motion carried.”

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Ms. Monroe to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the August 31, 2009 Finance Committee Meeting. Motion carried with Mr. Zeno abstaining.

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

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

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Ms. Monroe to approve the report of the solid waste superintendent. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Goss to approve the replacement of the Fain Building roof by Dodson Enterprises in the amount of \$2,247.53. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to approve the repairs to the Fain Building replacing the fascia boards and painting by Steve Kelley Contractors in the amount of \$3,225.00. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to authorize the president to sign a mutual agreement with Land Concepts terminating the contract for development of a botanical garden for the Veterans Memorial Park. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to adopt a Resolution of Endorsement and submit to the Louisiana Economic Development Commission on behalf of GLAMR Ventures, Inc., d/b/a Popeyes, Project #2009079915. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Duck seconded Ms. Monroe to adopt a Resolution of Endorsement and submit to the Louisiana Economic Development Commission on behalf of ETC – Tiger Pipeline LLC, Project #20090953. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Duck to appoint Claudean Cartwright to the Jackson Parish Industrial District Board of Directors for a term of two years. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Hightower to approve the request of Hodge United Pentecostal Church for use of the Veterans Memorial Park for a Christmas Concert / Musical presentation on Saturday, December 12, 2009. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Duck to table discussion on the declaration of a nuisance violation located at 4973 Beech Springs Road. Motion carried with Mr. Goss voting against.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Duck to authorize the Finance Committee to submit Letters of Support and required documentation for the 2009-2010 Local Government Assistance Program grants, and to submit request of support to local legislative representatives. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Duck to adopt a Proclamation in recognition of Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church of Jonesboro. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Ms. Monroe to approve the request of the Veterans Affairs Office for use of the community center for presentation of state medals based on availability. Motion carried.

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

Office Depot	\$ 562.91	LSU Extension
First Alarm Fire Equipment	\$8,640.00	Asphalt
Walpole Tire	\$1,000.00	Road
Richard Comeaux	\$ 600.00	2009 Road Project
Evangeline Specialties	\$1,959.05	Road / Asphalt
Equipment Resources Mgt.	\$ 640.00	Road
Goldman Equipment	\$2,650.00	Road
J. D. Caver	\$ 606.99	Solid Waste
Jay Mallard Ford	\$ 838.00	Road

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Hightower to authorize the president to sign the contract with GNF Management Co, Inc. for the LCDBG application process. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Smith to authorize the president to sign the contract with Riley Company for engineering services for the LCDBG application process. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Ms. Monroe to authorize the president to sign the Hold Harmless Agreement with Joey Davis for access across jury property located on Pardue Loop. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Hightower seconded Mr. Smith to grant leave without pay to David Jacobs for the period October 1, 2009 through October 16, 2009. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Hightower to set the term of Mark Granger to three years on the Jackson Parish Industrial District Board. Motion carried.

Motion Ms. Monroe seconded Mr. Duck to authorize the relocation of the courthouse hot water heater vent pipe by Quarles Plumbing in the amount of \$1,400. Motion carried.

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