

October 9, 2006  
Jonesboro, Louisiana  
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The Jackson Parish Police Jury met Monday, October 9, 2006 at 4:30 PM in the Jackson Parish Community Center to conduct a public hearing on the removal of one-house roads or roads that do not serve the general public. Members present: Mr. Carl Atkins, Mr. Eddie Langston, Mr. Darrell Magee, Mr. Nathaniel Zeno, Jr. and Mr. Troy Smith. Absent: Mr. Leslie Thompson and Dr. Charles Garrett.

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

The president declared the public hearing open for comments from the public.

Bellview Road – Juror Magee stated that the property owner approved the removal of Bellview from the parish system.

Parish Barn Road – No comments from the public.

Russ Road – Mr. Todd Culpepper appeared on behalf of Mrs. Glenda Standley requesting that Russ Road not be removed from the system. The president read a letter from Mrs. Glenda Standley requesting that Russ Road remain in the parish system.

Cypress Branch Road – The president read a letter from the Thrasher Estate Trust requesting that only the portion south of Culpepper Road be taken out of the parish system.

Henderson Road – Ms. Bertha Minniweather and Mr. James Leonard appeared and requested that the road remain in the parish system. The president read a letter from Ms. Leola Henderson requesting that the road be left in the parish system.

Go Thru Road – The president read a letter from Gary and Ann Tidwell requesting that the road remain in the system.

McDonald Monroe Road – There were no comments from the public.

Boyette Road – There were no comments from the public.

Anderson Road – Mr. Sheldon Anderson requested that the road remain in the parish system.

Grissom Road – Juror Atkins represented Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Hammons who requested that the road remain in the parish system.

Milstead Road – The president read a letter from Mr. Clifton Milstead requesting that the road remain in the parish system.

Springfield Road – The president read a letter from Ms. Billie Dawn Springfield requesting that the road remain in the parish system.

Royal Road – Ms. Barbara Blalock Griffith appeared and requested that the road remain in the parish system.

Winchester Road – There were no comments from the public.

James Leonard Road – There were no comments from the public

June Road – Mr. Robert Jenkins appeared and requested that June Road be removed from the parish road system.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Smith to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

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The Jackson Parish Police Jury met in regular session Monday, October 9, 2006, at 6:00 PM in the Jackson Parish Community Center located at 182 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Carl Atkins, Mr. Eddie Langston, Mr. Darrell Magee, Mr. Nathaniel Zeno, Jr., Mr. Leslie Thompson and Mr. Troy Smith. Absent: Dr. Charles Garrett. Also present: Mr. Douglas Stokes, Assistant District Attorney.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. Zeno.

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

Authorize publication in parish journal notification of Act 12

Authorize pothole repairs in municipalities

Authorize grading of municipality streets

Authorize advertising for engagement of building code inspectors

Authorize engineer to design a flexible Model Bin Site layout

Authorize the president to request an opinion of auditing authorities pertaining to the parish transportation fund and repair / rebuilding of existing roads.

Request of the Town of Jonesboro for use of the community center on Dec. 9, 2006 with waiver of fees

Extended sick leave without pay to Eric Hall

Authorize president to sign Parish Transportation Fund Certification for 2006 and authorize the president and secretary-treasurer to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire.

Motion carried.

Public comments: Bea Rice addressed conditions at the Southside Elementary polling location.

The jury recognized Ms. Fannie Williams. She presented a report on the Jackson Tourism Commission and their activities.

The jury recognized Ms. Sharon Satcher. She discussed the lack of active participation of board members.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Thompson to adopt the minutes of the September 11, 2006 jury meeting, the September financial report and the payment of all bills. Motion carried.

Mr. Zeno relinquished the chair to the vice president. The vice president call for the report of the Finance Committee. Mr. Zeno presented the report:

“Finance Committee  
September 20, 2006

The Finance Committee of the Jackson Parish Police Jury met Wednesday, September 20, 2006 at 1:00 PM in the Jackson Parish Community Center located at 182 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Carl Atkins and Mr. Nathaniel Zeno, Jr. Absent: Dr. Charles Garrett. Also present: Mr. Eddie Langston, Mr. Darrell Magee and Mr. Troy Smith.

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

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

LTAP Grant Program

Cost estimate for construction of an asphalt shed

Appointment to the Northeast Louisiana Human Service Authority

Advance Country Club proposal

Motion carried.

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

Resolution – Honorary Citizenship

Resolution – Appreciation to Dr. Charles Garrett and Mr. Troy Smith

Motion carried.

Mr. Tom Jones and Ms. Christy Weeks discussed the formation of the Jackson Parish Heritage Museum Board of Directors and presented a tentative draft of their budget for 2007.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the jury place the adoption of an ordinance creating the Jackson Parish Heritage Museum Board of Directors on the October 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting agenda. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the jury approve the appropriation of \$7,500 to the Town of Chatham, Village of East Hodge, Village of Eros, Village of North Hodge and the Village of Quitman upon adoption by the town councils of a Memorandum of Understanding Resolution. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the jury authorize the secretary-treasurer to amend the 2006 Consolidated Budget for the appropriation designated to the municipalities. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the jury adopt a resolution recognizing the interim minister at First Baptist Church as an "Honorary Citizen of Jackson Parish." Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the jury adopt a resolution in recognition of the service of jurors Charles Garrett and Troy Smith. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the jury advertise for the purchase of one (1) heavy duty truck and 26 yard end gate dump trailer to be paid from Capital Outlay Fund. Motion carried.

The committee discussed equipment purchases for 2007 fiscal year.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to amend the agenda to include repairs to the Landfill Office roof. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the jury authorize the solid waste superintendent to obtain quotations for the repairs to the Landfill Office building. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to place the naming of the Jackson Parish Courtroom on the October 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting agenda. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the president be authorized to seek proposals of licensed appraisers for the 2006 and 2007 fiscal years. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the jury authorize the assistant district attorney to draft recommendations for the implementation of a Reward Program that leads to the issuance of citations for illegal dumping in Jackson Parish. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the jury authorize the engagement of a consultant for a feasibility study on property owned by the Advance Country Club. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mr. Magee seconded Mr. Zeno to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the September 20, 2006 Finance Committee.

Mr. Zeno presented the report of the October 4, 2006 Finance Committee:

“Finance Committee  
October 4, 2006

The Finance Committee of the Jackson Parish Police Jury met Wednesday, October 4, 2006 at 1:00 PM in the Police Jury Meeting Room of the Courthouse Building in Jonesboro, Louisiana. Members present: Mr. Carl Atkins and Mr. Nathaniel Zeno, Jr. Absent: Dr. Charles Garrett. Also present: Mr. Eddie Langston and Mr. Troy Smith.

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

Mr. A. J. Smith, Vice-President of the Union Parish Police Jury, Mr. Charles Sawyer, Juror, and Mr. Mike Holly, Public Works Director of Union Parish appeared before the committee requesting that the jury consider an addendum to the existing contract for disposal of solid waste for fuel adjustments.

Mr. Jeff Toms of the Jackson Parish Health Unit updated the committee on activities at the health unit and discussed budgetary concerns.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to amend the agenda to include the request of Union Parish Police Jury. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the jury seek legal counsel on the request of Union Parish for an addendum to the existing contract for solid waste disposal. Motion carried.

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

Engineer’s report on model bin sites  
Veteran’s Day Program  
Upcoming vacancy of Ward 5 juror  
Building Code / Certified Building Official  
Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the construction of a model bin site at the Cartwright location be placed on the agenda of the next regular meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the 2007 Consolidated Budget include the purchase of a Dodge 2 wheel drive crew cab pickup for the solid waste department. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the purchase of a 14 yard dump truck be placed on the agenda of the next regular meeting. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the 2007 Consolidated Budget provide for the following capital outlay projects:

2007 Road Project	\$1,000,000
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Courthouse Parking Lot / Renovations 100,000

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that the jury adopt the Nuisance Ordinance Form as presented. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Zeno seconded Mr. Atkins to recommend that the jury authorize the president to plan a Veteran's Day program on Saturday, November 11, 2006, and to use the community center for a reception after the program in Veteran's Memorial Park. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Zeno to recommend that \$100,000 be placed in the 2007 Consolidated Budget for Building Code / Certified Building Official's operation. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Smith to adopt the minutes and recommendations of the October 4, 2006 Finance Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

The vice president relinquished the chair to the president.

Paul Riley presented the Engineer's Report.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Thompson to authorize the president to sign the substantial completion on the 2006 Road Project. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Smith to authorize the president to sign the final change order for the 2006 Road Project with a reduction of \$345.11 in cost with a final contract total of \$1,438,262.22

Motion Mr. Thompson seconded Mr. Langston to accept the report of the engineer. Motion carried.

The solid waste superintendent presented the monthly report.

Motion Mr. Magee seconded Mr. Langston to accept the report of the solid waste department.

The road superintendent presented the emergency / off schedule report for September.

Motion Mr. Thompson seconded Mr. Atkins to accept the emergency / off schedule report.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Magee to accept the report of the road superintendent. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Thompson seconded Mr. Atkins to sit as Special Board of Review for the reassessment of Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company for tax years 2000-2003 and Southern Natural

Gas Company for tax years 2000-2003 as directed by the Louisiana Tax Commission. Motion carried.

Assessor Eddie Gatlin presented the report to the jury.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Thompson to uphold the assessments as presented by the Tax Assessor and to deny the changes to the 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 assessment roll as requested by Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Thompson seconded Mr. Langston to uphold the assessments as presented by the Tax Assessor and to deny the changes to the 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 assessment roll as requested by Southern Natural Gas Company. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Thompson to affirm and accept the 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 special ordered reassessment assessment values for Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company and Southern Natural Gas Company as presented by the Jackson Parish Tax Assessor. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Thompson to advertise for the purchase of a 14 yard dump truck for the road department to be purchased with Capital Outlay Funds. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Thompson seconded Mr. Magee to authorize the parish engineer to obtain quotations for the construction of a model bin site in the Cartwright community. Motion carried.

The secretary-treasurer was instructed to verify the telephone poll permitting D.A.R.T. to place silhouettes on the Courthouse Lawn during Domestic Awareness Month.

Ward 1-Yes, Ward 2-Yes, Ward 3-Yes, Ward 4-Yes, Ward 5-Yes, Ward 6- Unavailable, Ward 7-Yes

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Langston to validate the telephone poll permitting D.A.R.T. to place silhouettes on the Courthouse Lawn during Domestic Awareness Month.

Motion Mr. Thompson seconded Mr. Langston to reappoint Ms. Sharon Satcher to a full term on the Jackson E-911 Commission with a term expiration date of April 1, 2010. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Langston to table the appointment to the Northeast Delta Human Services Authority. Motion carried.

The following Proclamation was offered by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Langston and unanimously adopted:

### **Proclamation**

**Whereas** Leon H. Whitten, a native of Jackson Parish, served as District Attorney of the Second Judicial District from January 1, 1973 until September 30, 1982, and

**Whereas** Leon H. Whitten was elected District Judge of the Second Judicial District in October 1, 1982, and honorably served in that position until his retirement on December 31, 1999.

**Whereas** Judge Whitten served the Second Judicial District with honor, fairness and respect for the judicial system and for mankind, and

**Whereas** Judge Whitten was an active volunteer in numerous community, civic and religious organizations, and

**Whereas** the Jackson Parish Police Jury desires to recognize public servants who have made outstanding contributions to the community,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that from this day forward, the Courtroom of the Jackson Parish Courthouse shall be known as the

**Leon H. Whitten Courtroom**

This done this ninth day of October, 2006 during a regular session of the Jackson Parish Police Jury.

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Nathaniel Zeno, Jr.  
President

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Kenneth O. Pardue  
Secretary

Parish Seal

The following Proclamation was offered by Mr. Atkins, seconded by Mr. Thompson and approved with Mr. Smith abstaining:

**Proclamation**

**Whereas,** Troy L. Smith has faithfully served the Jackson Parish Police Jury since January 1984, and

**Whereas,** Troy L. Smith has served as President of the Jackson Parish Police Jury and chaired numerous committees during his tenure on the Jury, and

**Whereas,** Troy L. Smith has served the citizens of Jackson Parish through membership in various civic, social and religious organizations, and

**Whereas,** Troy L. Smith has experienced medical issues within the last year that have tested his fortitude and that of his family and friends, and

**Whereas,** the members of the Jackson Parish Police Jury desire to offer words of encouragement to Troy L. Smith, now

**Be It Therefore Resolved,** that the Jackson Parish Police Jury does hereby recognize the dedication and contributions of Juror Troy L. Smith, District 7, to the Jackson Parish Police Jury and to the citizens of Jackson Parish. Furthermore, we pray for Juror Smith's health, and we urge all citizens of Jackson Parish to pray for Juror Smith's well-being as well as that of all other citizens of the Parish.

This Proclamation is hereby adopted this the ninth day of October, 2006 during the regular meeting of the Jackson Parish Police Jury.

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Nathaniel Zeno, Jr.  
President

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Kenneth O. Pardue  
Secretary

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Magee, seconded by Mr. Thompson and unanimously adopted:

### **Proclamation**

**Whereas,** Charles H. Garrett has faithfully served the Jackson Parish Police Jury since January 1988, and

**Whereas,** Charles H. Garrett has served as President of the Jackson Parish Police Jury and chaired numerous committees during his tenure on the Jury, and

**Whereas,** Charles H. Garrett has served the citizens of Jackson Parish through membership in various civic, social and religious organizations, and

**Whereas,** Charles H. Garrett has experienced medical issues within the last year that have tested his fortitude and that of his family and friends, and

**Whereas,** the members of the Jackson Parish Police Jury desire to offer words of encouragement to Charles H. Garrett, now

**Be It Therefore Resolved,** that the Jackson Parish Police Jury does hereby recognize the dedication and contributions of Juror Charles H. Garrett, District 6, to the Jackson Parish Police Jury and to the citizens of Jackson Parish. Furthermore, we pray for Juror Garrett's health, and we urge all citizens of Jackson Parish to pray for Juror Garrett's well-being as well as that of all other citizens of the Parish.

This Proclamation is hereby adopted this the ninth day of October, 2006 during the regular meeting of the Jackson Parish Police Jury.

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Nathaniel Zeno, Jr.  
President

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Kenneth O. Pardue  
Secretary

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Langston:

The Jackson Parish Police Jury recognizes the contributions of Reverend Perry Webb, Jr., Interim Pastor of First Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Louisiana and as a tangible act of appreciation for those contributions does hereby declare Rev. Perry Webb, Jr. to be an honorary citizen of Jackson Parish for life.

Yeas: Mr. Carl Atkins, Mr. Eddie Langston, Mr. Darrell Magee, Mr. Nathaniel Zeno, Jr., Mr. Leslie Thompson, and Mr. Troy. Smith.

Absent: Dr. Charles Garrett

This done and passed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2006 during regular session of the Jackson Parish Police Jury.

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Nathaniel Zeno, Jr.  
President

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Kenneth O. Pardue  
Secretary

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Thompson to table the Purchasers of Immovable Property Ordinance. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Thompson seconded Mr. Smith to approve the following purchase requisitions:

Evangeline Specialties	391.64	Road
Ark-La-Miss Overhead Doors	\$ 1,500.00	Road
S & S	\$ 950.00	Solid Waste
Curry's Truck	\$ 2,000.00	Solid Waste
Twin City Tarp	\$ 400.00	Solid Waste

International Code Council	\$ 501.75	General
Prison Enterprises	\$ 503.88	Jail

Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Langston seconded Mr. Atkins to authorize publication of Act 12 notification in local paper. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Thompson to authorize the road superintendent to place municipalities in rotation for pothole repair. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Magee seconded Mr. Atkins to authorize the road superintendent to place municipalities in rotation for grading of streets. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Magee to authorize advertising for building code inspectors. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Thompson to authorize the engineer to design a flexible model bin site layout. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Thompson to authorize the president to request an opinion from agency auditors relating to the Parish Transportation Fund Act as pertaining to repairs of roads and rebuilding of roads. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Smith seconded Mr. Thompson to approve the request of the Town of Jonesboro for use of the community center on December 9, 2006 with fees waived. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Magee seconded Mr. Smith to approve extended sick leave without pay to Eric Hall through November 8, 2006. Motion carried.

Motion Mr. Atkins seconded Mr. Langston to adopt the Parish Transportation Fund Certification for 2006 and authorize the President and Secretary-Treasurer to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire.

#### PARISH TRANSPORTATION FUND CERTIFICATION

The Jackson Parish Police Jury hereby certifies that the funds made available under the Parish Transportation Fund, for the year 2006, have been expended in accordance with the standards established by law. The Jackson Parish Police Jury has adopted a system of road administration which requires the approval of the governing body for expenditures, the development of a capital improvement program on a selective basis, centralized purchasing of equipment and supplies, centralized accounting, a construction program based on engineering plans and specifications, and a selective maintenance program.

Motion carried.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Kenneth O. Pardue, Secretary-Treasurer of the Jackson Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Jackson Parish Police Jury on October 9, 2006.

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Kenneth O. Pardue, Secretary-Treasurer

Motion Mr. Thompson seconded Mr. Magee to adjourn. Motion carried.