

The following ordinance was offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Langston

**JACKSON PARISH MUSEUM AND FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION BOARD
ORDINANCE 03-0409-2007**

On this the 9th day of April, 2007, the Jackson Parish Police Jury by a majority vote of all members present and in accordance with the power conferred by Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 25:1215.1 through 1215.6 and by the authority of House Bill 986, Act 424 (Appendix (A)) hereby enacted and ordained that:

Section 1-A-Creation

A Jackson Parish Museum and Fine Arts Association Board be created within the territorial limits of Jackson Parish. The board shall extend throughout all of the territory of the parish of Jackson. The board shall be a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana created to establish, maintain, operate, and support public museums and related facilities with the parish.

Section 1-B-Board Purpose

The board shall be a historical, cultural, and educational entity with the primary purpose of encouraging research, collecting, preserving, and presenting, as an education resource, objects of art, documents, artifacts, and the like that reflect the history, art and culture of the parish and the surrounding area.

Section 1-C-Board Government and Membership

The board shall be governed by 13 Directors appointed by the Jackson Parish Police Jury. Appointments shall be made from a list of nominees submitted to the Jackson Parish Police Jury by Private, Non-profit groups, Corporations or Associations that have an interest in one or more aspect of the Museum Industry. The Directors so appointed shall be so appointed for a period of three years. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, the Jackson Parish Police Jury shall have the right to make appointments as it deems necessary. Members appointed to the board shall serve without compensation.

Section 1-D-Election of Chairman of Board of Directors and Officer

The Directors so appointed by the Jackson Parish Police Jury shall elect from among themselves a chairman who shall serve as the chairman for a term of one year. Vacancies among the directors shall be filled in the same manner that the original appointments were made. In addition to the chairman the Board shall elect from its membership a vice- chairman, secretary and treasurer. The office of secretary and treasure may be combined if the Board so elects.

Section 1-E-Powers of Board

The Board shall have and exercise all powers of a political subdivision necessary or convenient for the carrying out of its objectives and purposes including but not limited to the following:

- (1) To incur debt.
- (2) To sue and to be sued.
- (3) To adopt, use and alter at will a corporate seal.
- (4) To adopt bylaws and rules and regulations.
- (5) To receive by gift, grant, donation, or otherwise any sum of money, property, aid, or assistance from the United States, the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, or any person, firm, or corporation.
- (6) To enter into contracts, agreements, or cooperative endeavors with the state and its political subdivision or political corporations and with any public or private association, corporation, business entity, or individual.
- (7) To appoint officers, agents, and employees, prescribe their duties, and fix their compensation.
- (8) To acquire by purchase, gift, grant, donation, lease, or otherwise such property as may be necessary or desirable for carrying out the objectives and purposes of the Board.
- (9) To contract with consulting experts in the fields of museum administration and conservation of paintings, books and papers, and other decorative arts; and with appraisers, buying agents, designers, engineers, attorneys, accountants, construction and financial experts, and such other persons as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of the board.
- (10) To establish such funds or accounts as are necessary for the conduct of the affairs of the district.
- (11) To exercise the powers, duties, and functions with respect to accessions, deaccessions, loans, and conservation of museum properties and collections in accordance with law, ordinance, and professional museum practices as established by the American Association of Museums.

Section 2-A- Funding Authority

The governing authority of the parish of Jackson is authorized, by ordinance, for the funding of the Jackson Parish Museum and Fine Arts Association Board or for the funding of any public museum or related facilities created by such board.

Section 2-B- Budget and Audit

(a) The Board shall annually submit to the governing authority of the parish of Jackson a budget for its proposed operation during the ensuing fiscal year, which the governing authority may approve, reject or revise. Once approved by the governing authority, the Board shall proceed to act there under.

(b) The books of the Jackson Parish Museum and Fine Arts Board shall be audited by an independent certified public accountant annually, and said accountant shall make a written report of his audit to the Jackson Parish Police Jury and to the Jackson Parish Museum Board. Such audit shall be furnished not less than thirty days prior to the submission by the Board of its proposed budget as required hereinabove in sub-section (a).

Section 3-A- Supporting Documentation

Appendix (A) is the legal basis for creation of an ordinance for the inclusion of the Museum Board as an entity of the Jackson Parish Police Jury. Appendix (B) contains the By-Laws which describes the Museums organizational scope and functions. Appendix (C) contains the Standard Operating Procedures which details the specific requirements for effective Museum operation.

This ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Atkins, Mr. Langston, Mr. Magee, Mr. Zeno, Ms. Monroe, and Mr. Smith
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Dr. Garrett
ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

/s/ Nathaniel Zeno, Jr.
PRESIDENT

/s/ Kenneth O. Pardue
SECRETARY-TREASURER

CERTIFICATE

I, KENNETH O. 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 9th day of April, 2007, at which a quorum was present and voting.

Jonesboro, Louisiana, on this 9th day of April, 2007.

/s/ Kenneth O. Pardue
KENNETH O PARDUE, SECRETARY-TREASURER

