# REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 13, 2014 RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY

Police Jury Meeting Room 2nd Floor, Parish Courthouse 701 Murray Street Alexandria, Louisiana 71301 (318) 473-6660

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REGULAR SESSION OCTOBER 13, 2014 3:00 P.M.

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CALL TO ORDER

**INVOCATION** 

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ROLL CALL** 

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEM

- 1. Motion to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on September 8, 2014 and Special Session on September 22, 2014 as published in the Official Journal.
- 2. Motion that approved bills be paid.
- 3. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. (FINANCE 10/6)
- 4. Recognize Judge Harry Randow, candidate for Judge, Division G. (Mr. Overton)
- 5. Receive update from Dr. David Holcombe, Rapides Parish Health Unit Director on preventive measures being taken by Rapides Parish. (Mr. Overton)

6. Motion to adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale of abandoned/adjudicated property located on Lots Thirteen (13) and Fourteen (14) of Kerling Park bearing no municipal address in Ball, to Mr. Brent Landry for the consideration of \$2,200.00 cash. (FINANCE 10/6)

7. Motion to adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale of abandoned/adjudicated property located on Part of Lot "B", JAC Bloch's Subdivision of lots 19 & 24, Willow Glen Plantation, bearing the municipal address of 4118 Jill Street, Alexandria to Mr. John Gilchrist for the consideration of \$1,666.67 cash.

(FINANCE 10/6)

8. Motion to adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale of abandoned/adjudicated property located on Lot 90 of Rapides Mobile Home Estates, Extension #1, bearing the municipal address of 212 Pellon Street, Pineville to Ms. Deana Hovnatanian for the consideration of \$840.81 cash. (FINANCE 10/6)

9. Motion to adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale of abandoned/adjudicated property located on Lot 36 of Rapides Mobile Home Estates, bearing no municipal address on Brent Street, Pineville to Ms. Deana Hovnatanian for the consideration of \$3,533.33 cash. (FINANCE 10/6)

10. Motion to authorize the issuance of a quietus on the part of the Rapides Parish Police Jury in favor of the Sheriff and Tax Collector, and against any claim on the part of the Rapides Parish Police Jury for the ad valorem taxes of the year 2013, and authorize Bruce Kelly, Treasurer, to issue said quietus.

(FINANCE 10/6)

11. Motion to authorize a \$150.00 wage increase, per month, for all Rapides Parish Civil Service Employees and the two (2) Rapides Courthouse parking attendants, effective October 1, 2014. (FINANCE 10/6)

12. Motion to adopt Notice of Intent of Sale through the Abandoned/Adjudicated Property procedures on the property listed below:

Tax Debtor Description

Bakies Properties Lot Three (3) of Belleview

Subdivision

Bearing the municipal address of: 402 Hickory Street, Pineville

Thacker & Son, Inc. Lots Three (3) and Four (4) of

Block Two (2) of Alexandria Land and Improvement Company, Ltd's

West Alexandria Addition

Bearing the municipal address of: 328 Wheelock Avenue, Alexandria

(FINANCE 10/6)

13. Motion to cancel all bids for Bid # 2384 (Contract Hauling of Pit Run) to clarify General Liability Limits and to advertise at a later date as recommended by Public Works Director.

(FINANCE 10/6)

- 14. Motion to adopt a resolution to the LA DOTD, Division of Administration, to provide funds for Airport Improvements Capital Improvement Program Application for State Assistance; certify all servitudes and titles are valid and indefeasible, hold the State harmless for any projects under the Program and authorize the President to sign subsequent related documents required by FAA and the State, as requested by the Esler Airport Manager. (FINANCE 10/6)
- 15. Motion to authorize the Rapides Parish Fire District #3 to enter into a cost sharing agreement with Water Works District #3 to install fire hydrants within Fire District #3 area. Fire District #3 will purchase all hydrants, installation parts and materials at cost from Water Works District #3 and Water Works District #3 will supply labor and equipment to install hydrants, pending Legal Counsel and Treasurer approval. (FINANCE 10/6)
- 16. Motion to delete from the Rapides Parish Fire District #14
  Asset/Inventory Program Asset # 10247 (portable radio). Radio was used

as a trade-in for upgraded model as recommended by the Fire Department Chief.

(FINANCE 10/6)

17. Motion to enter into a contract with Mr. Mark D. Setliff, T.L. Construction, LLC, to install stainless steel bird spikes with twelve (12) inch soffit panels, color to match existing roof of the Health Unit Canopy, as requested by Dr. David Holcombe, Administrator, Rapides Parish Health Unit, not to exceed \$20,000 and authorize the President to sign same.

(FINANCE 10/6)

18. Motion to accept the Public Works Director's Report. (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)

- 19. Motion to adopt a resolution approving the Annual Certificate of Compliance with the State of Louisiana Off System Bridge Replacement Program, as recommended by the Public Works Director, copy of the resolution to be sent to LDOTD District 08.

  (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 20. Motion to approve Change Order No. 2 with Diamond B Construction, LLC for Bid No. 2359 Various Road Improvements in Rapides Parish to add pay items for Full Depth Asphalt Patching at \$100.00 per ton, Superpave Asphalt Concrete (Driveways) at \$100.00 per ton, and Shoulder Aggregate at \$80.00 per ton, as recommended by the Public Works Director.

  (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 21. Motion to extend parish maintenance of Valarie Drive (Ward 8, District E) an additional 1,000 feet and authorize the President to sign right-of-way agreements as recommended by Public Works Director. (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 22. Motion to authorize payment for the repair of a private waterline on Foster Road (Ward 11, District C) damaged by the Rapides Parish Highway Department mowing crew, provided the owner signs a Release of Damages, to be paid out of the Road and Bridge Fund as recommended by the Public Works Director.

(PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)

23. Motion to authorize the President to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement with Deville Volunteer Fire Department, for the Rapides Parish Highway Department to grade the parking lot, spread gravel and/or ditching on new drainage for fire house, up to thirty (30) hours, to be paid out of Deville Fire Department Funds.

(PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)

- 24. Motion to adopt an ordinance to amend and reenact Section 18-4.2 (H) Speed Limits so as to set a 20 mph speed limit on Industrial Road, Ward 11, District C and authorize the Highway Department to erect speed limit signs. (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 25. Motion to authorize Mr. Charles Johnson, 702 West River Road, Oakdale, as a hardship case, pending proper certification.
  (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 26. Motion to authorize Ms. Lavon Ray, 9127 Highway 112, Glenmora, as a hardship case, pending proper certification. (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 27. Motion to revoke a 15' unused utility easement 899.89' in length on Crest Properties, LLC, starting at Cenla Drive running East then turns North towards Tioga Road, as depicted on boundary survey. Letters of no objection have been received from the Public Works Director and utility providers.

  (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 28. Motion to adopt an ordinance to amend and reenact Sections 18-4.2(H) Speed Limits, so as to set a 20 mph speed limit on Franks Road, Ward 11, District C, and authorize the Parish Highway Department to erect speed limit signs.

  (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 29. Motion to adopt an ordinance to amend and reenact Sections 18-4.2(H) Speed Limits, so as to set a 20 mph speed limit on Ruth Drive, Ward 11, District C, and authorize the Parish Highway Department to erect speed limit signs.

(PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)

- 30. Motion to authorize the Engagement for Appraisals, as submitted by JDM Services, Inc., with various landowners, for the Laura Lane 50' right-of-way extension, for the Paradise Elementary Road Project, to be paid out of Road District 10A Funds, as recommended by Legal Counsel. (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 31. Motion to grant approval to Noah's Creek Subdivision, located on Whittington and Donahue Ferry Road, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission and approved by the Public Works Director, pending approval from Legal Counsel and authorize signing of the plat. (PUBLIC WORKS 10/6)
- 32. Motion to ratify approval of the revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Chief Elected Official of Rapides Parish, Workforce Investment Board, and Local Workforce Area One-Stop Partners and to authorize the President to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

The purpose of the MOU is to identify and to deliver a variety of workforce development resources through a coordinated system that addresses the needs of employers and job seekers. The One-Stop system will offer a variety of job placement, education, job training, human services, and other workforce development services to residents of the Parish. This Memorandum of Understanding establishes commitments, joint processes, and procedures that enable partners to integrate core, intensive, and training services.

#### The revisions include:

- Change to the Nondiscrimination Assurance wording in Section X of the Memorandum of Understanding pursuant to the August 25, 2014 letter from Curt Eysink via the Equal Opportunity and Compliance Division of Louisiana Workforce Commission, Subject: Official LWC Assurance Statement for Federal Funds.

  (WORKFORCE 10/6)
- 33. Motion to ratify authorization for President to sign the renewal of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Crest Industries, LLC and the Rapides Parish Police Jury with a start date of August 20, 2014 and an end date of August 31, 2015. The purpose of this agreement is to provide WorkKeys ® re-testing for Crest Industries on employment candidates on a fee-for-service arrangement.

  (WORKFORCE 10/6)

- 34. Motion to appoint Mr. Robert Beck, III, to the Civil Service Board for a three (3) year term to fill the expiring term of Ms. Ingrid Johnson, nominee of Alexandria Bar Association. Term will expire October 14, 2017 (WORKFORCE 10/6)
- 35. Motion to appoint Mr. Will Cummings to the Ward 10 Recreation District for a five (5) year term to fill the expiring term of Ms. Jimmis Bernard. Term will expire October 9, 2019. (Employee election held September 18, 2014)
  (WORKFORCE 10/6)
- 36. Motion to reappoint Mr. Robert Nugent to the Sewerage District #2 Board for a four (4) year term. Term will expire October 12, 2018. (Laid Over Sept agenda)
  (WORKFORCE 10/6)
- 37. Motion to reappoint Mr. John Cummings, employee elect to the Fire District #3 Civil Service Board for a three (3) year term. Term will expire October 10, 2017. (Laid over Sept agenda) (WORKFORCE 10/6)
- 38. Motion to reappoint Mr. Melvin Christy to the Fire District #3 Civil Service Board for a three (3) year term, nominated by Police Jury. Term will expire October 14, 2017.

  (WORKFORCE 10/6)
- 39. Motion to reappoint Ms. Zelda Smith to the Housing Authority for a five (5) year term, tenant representative. Term will expire October 11, 2014. (Ms. Pat Boss put letters in all tenants' boxes and no one wishes to serve on board. Mailing hard copy) (Laid over Sept agenda) (WORKFORCE 10/6)
- 40. Motion to reappointment Mr. T.J. Speir to the Sewerage District #2 for a four (4) year term. Term will expire October 12, 2018. (Laid over Sept agenda)
  (WORKFORCE 10/6)

41. Motion to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Jim Atkins to the Waterworks District 11A Board for a five (5) year term. Term will expire November 8, 2019. (WORKFORCE 10/6)

42. Motion to reappoint Ms. Mary Wardsworth to the Mosquito Abatement District No. 1 Board for a three (3) year term. Term will expire October 13, 2017.

(WORKFORCE 10/6)

43. Motion to adopt a resolution approving the issuance, sale and delivery of not exceeding Five Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$550,000) of Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness of Ward 10 Recreation District, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

(WORKFORCE 10/6)

44. Motion to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. T.J. Speir to the Fire District #4 Civil Service Board for a three (3) year term. Term will expire November 12, 2017. (WORKFORCE 10/6)

45. Motion to waive the thirty (30) day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Jason DeWitt to the Ward 9 Recreation District for a five (5) term. Term will expire November 8, 2019. (WORKFORCE 10/6)

46. Motion to adopt the following resolution concerning the Coliseum property co-owned by the Rapides Parish Police Jury and the City of Alexandria:

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2012, the voters of Rapides Parish approved specific revenue bonds for the purpose of renovating the Rapides Parish Coliseum; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to this voter authority, the Police Jury has undertaken efforts to commence such renovations; and,

WHEREAS, the Police Jury currently co-owns with the City of Alexandria a 16.572 acre portion of the parking lot used by the Coliseum, which co-owned portion is shown on the enclosed Exhibit 1 ("the Co-Owned Portion"); and,

WHEREAS, the Policy Jury would prefer to own all or some of the Co-Owned Portion outright, to the extent that such sole ownership might benefit the

Coliseum; alternatively, the Police Jury would prefer to reach an agreement with the City that would allow the Police Jury to use the Co-Owned Portion to effectively serve the needs of the Coliseum; and,

WHEREAS, the Police Jury has obtained an August 6, 2014 independent appraisal by Jody D. Morvant for the fair market value of the Co-Owned Portion, which appraisal estimated such value at \$2.2 million; and,

WHEREAS, within the next week, the Police Jury's agents shall submit final documents to the City for building permit approval:

## BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Police Jury shall undertake all necessary steps to acquire, in full ownership, some or all of the Co-Owned Portion of the Coliseum parking lot, to the extent that such sole ownership might benefit the Coliseum, with such necessary acquisition steps to possibly include, without limitation, purchase, partition, compromise, takings, litigation, or any other action required to accomplish the purpose.
- 2. Alternatively, the Police Jury shall undertake all necessary steps to obtain such rights over all or some of the Co-Owned Portion as is necessary for the Co-Owned Portion to effectively serve the needs of the Coliseum. In addition, the Police Jury shall undertake all necessary steps to obtain all required approvals for the Coliseum, including without limitation building permit approvals, with such necessary steps to possibly include, without limitation, litigation, mandamus, or any other necessary actions.
- 3. The following persons shall be Police Jury Representatives, and they shall be authorized, in their collective sole discretion, to implement these actions on behalf of the Police Jury ("the Police Jury Representatives"): President Joe Bishop; and, Vice President Davon ("Bubba") Moreau. These persons may only take such actions by their unanimous approval. Upon such approval, these persons are authorized to execute any necessary documents to implement the actions.
- 4. The Police Jury Representatives are authorized to spend or negotiate the transfer of Police Jury resources totaling no more than \$1.1 million to obtain the property rights described herein; in addition, the Police Jury Representatives are authorized to incur such reasonable expert fees, costs, attorney's fees and related expenses, as are necessary to assist in accomplishing the purposes described herein.
- 47. Motion to receive the required report from Acadian Ambulance under the Contract for August 2014:

Response	Number of	Required	Compliance
Zone	Responses	%	%
Alexandria - 8 minute	482	80%	87.97%
Pineville - 8 minute	146	80%	80.82%
Rapides - 12 minute	189	80%	91.53%
Rapides - 20 minute	154	80%	81.17%
(INSURANCE 10/6)			

# ITEMS WERE NOT CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE JURY BUT WERE POSTED ON THE AGENDA AFTER THE COMMITTEE MEETING IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW AND ARE NOW CONFIRMED AS HAVING BEEN INCLUDED IN THE PUBLISHED AGENDA BY 2/3RD VOTE

- 48. Motion to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Forest Hill, for the Rapides Parish Highway Department to provide sixty (60) hours installing culverts, ditching and hauling material, grad-all, dump truck and motor grader as needed, for the corporate limits of Forest Hill, to be paid out of town's portion of Road District #1A Maintenance Fund. (Mr. Billings)
- 49. Recognize Mr. Shane Trapp, Building Superintendent, for an update on the Rapides Parish Courthouse. (Mr. Perry)
- 50. Motion to purchase a new heavy duty dual axle trailer with air brakes from the lowest bidder H&E Equipment Services in an amount not to exceed \$20,000, as recommended by the Public Works Director and approved by Purchasing, to be paid from Road and Bridge Funds.

  (Mr. Bishop)
- 51. Motion to enter into an agreement with the Cajun Nationals Car, Truck, & Bike Show to conduct their 2015 event at the Cotile Lake Recreation Area on September 25-27, 2015 and authorize the President to sign same, as recommended by the Public Works Director.

  (Mr. Vanderlick)
- 52. Motion to grant approval to River Edge Subdivision, located on Highway 1 South and Echo Street, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission, pending approval of Public Works Director and Legal Counsel and authorize signing of the plat.

  (Mr. Billings)

- 53. Motion to authorize the President to sign a letter of support for healthcare for pre-trial prisoners, maintained by the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office and to authorize the Parish Treasurer to appropriate sufficient funds to cover the cost of the healthcare provided to pre-trial prisoners.

  (Mr. Bishop)
- 54. Motion to give Holiday Village Fire Department, part-time fireman, pay increases, effective January 1, 2015, as requested by Holiday Village Volunteer Fire Association Board. Increases are as follows: Level #1 increased from \$8.00 per hour to \$9.00 per hour; Level #2 increased from \$8.50 per hour to \$10.00 per hour; Level 3 increased from \$9.00 per hour to \$11.00 per hour and Level #4 increased \$10.00 per hour to \$12.00 per hour. (Mr. Bishop)
- 55. Motion to authorize the President to sign an amended services agreement concerning adjudicated properties between the Rapides Parish Police Jury, the City of Alexandria, the Sheriff, the Rapides Parish School Board, the Library Board, the Red River Atchafalaya Bayou Boeuf Levee District, Fire Protection District No. 2, Gravity Drainage District No. 1 and the City of Pineville, so as to add the Town of Ball, pending approval of Legal Counsel.

(Mr. Moreau)

ITEMS WERE NOT CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE JURY AND WERE NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA BUT ARE NOW ADDED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

#### ADJOURNMENT

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