

CROWLEY, LOUISIANA

FEBRUARY 10, 2009

THE ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY met on the above date at 6:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Crowley, Louisiana, in regular session with the President, A. J Credeur, presiding. At the request of the President, a moment of silence was offered and the Pledge to the Flag was recited in unison. The roll was called and final attendance was recorded as follows:

THOMAS BENOIT
A J BROUSSARD
A J CREDEUR
FELTON MOREAU
JOHN QUEBODEAUX
KERMIT RICHARD
THOMAS SONNIER
ALTON STEVENSON

A motion was offered by Mr. John Quebodeaux, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the regular and special Police Jury Meetings of January 13, 2009.

Ms. Rachelle Dugas, Candidature Congrès Mondial Acadien (CMA) addressed the Police Jury and explained that the CMA was the largest gathering of Acadiens and Cajuns from around the world. The bidding process for the Fifth CMA is currently underway and the 22 parishes of Acadiana is in the running to host the 2014 edition of this major event. Ms. Dugas asked the Police Jury for a letter supporting this endeavor to host the 2014 event in Acadiana.

A motion was offered by Mr. Alton Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard and carried, to provide a letter of support.

ORDINANCE #967

AN ORDINANCE MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO OPERATE OR DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE UPON MECHE ROAD IN ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AT A SPEED IN EXCESS OF **FORTY MILES PER HOUR**, AND, PROVIDING FOR THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Acadia Parish, Louisiana, that it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle in excess of **forty miles per hour** on the following described Parish Road:

**Portion of Meche Road
State Project Number 713-01-0116 (Bridge over Coulee)**

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any person found guilty of operating or driving a motor vehicle in excess of **forty miles per hour** on the Parish road described above, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction therefore, shall be fined not more than Fifty Dollars (\$50) or be imprisoned not more than ten (10) days or both.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any laws or parts of laws in conflict are hereby repealed.

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cade Benoit, and seconded by Mr. Felton Moreau, after being read and considered section by section, was adopted as a whole by the following vote:

YEAS: Alton Stevenson, A. J. Broussard, Kermit Richard, John Quebodeaux, Thomas Sonnier, Cade Benoit and Felton Moreau.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe
TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

ORDINANCE #968

AN ORDINANCE MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO OPERATE OR DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE UPON RAY LEJEUNE ROAD IN ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AT A SPEED IN EXCESS OF **TWENTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR**, AND, PROVIDING FOR THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Acadia Parish, Louisiana, that it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle in excess of **twenty-five miles per hour** on the following described Parish Road:

Ray LeJeune Road

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any person found guilty of operating or driving a motor vehicle in excess of **twenty-five miles per hour** on the Parish road described above, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction therefore, shall be fined not more than Fifty Dollars (\$50) or be imprisoned not more than ten (10) days or both.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any laws or parts of laws in conflict are hereby repealed.

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Felton Moreau, and seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, after being read and considered section by section, was adopted as a whole by the following vote:

YEAS: Alton Stevenson, A. J. Broussard, Kermit Richard, John Quebodeaux, Thomas Sonnier, Cade Benoit and Felton Moreau.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe
TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

ORDINANCE #969

AN ORDINANCE MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO OPERATE OR DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE UPON BUGGY ROAD IN ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AT A SPEED IN EXCESS OF **TWENTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR**, AND, PROVIDING FOR THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Acadia Parish, Louisiana, that it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle in excess of **twenty-five miles per hour** on the following described Parish Road:

Buggy Road

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any person found guilty of operating or driving a motor vehicle in excess of **twenty-five miles per hour** on the Parish road described above, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction therefore, shall be fined not more than Fifty Dollars (\$50) or be imprisoned not more than ten (10) days or both.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any laws or parts of laws in conflict are hereby repealed.

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Felton Moreau, and seconded by Mr. Cade Benoit, after being read and considered section by section, was adopted as a whole by the following vote:

YEAS: Alton Stevenson, A. J. Broussard, Kermit Richard, John Quebodeaux, Thomas Sonnier, Cade Benoit and Felton Moreau.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe
TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: KERMIT RICHARD AND JOHN QUEBODEAUX

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened this 10th day of February, 2009, does hereby appoint MR. TOMMY FAULK to Consolidated Gravity Drainage District #1 to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Bobby Walton effective February, 2009.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe
TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: CADE BENOIT AND JOHN QUEBODEAUX

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened this 10th day of February, 2009, does hereby appoint MR. VALJEAN RICHARD to Second Ward Drainage District #1 to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Walter Winn effective February, 2009.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe
TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

A motion was offered by Mr. John Quebodeaux, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, to appoint the Secretary-Treasurer, Terry L. Lacombe, as CAO at his current salary of \$60,000.00. A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: A. J. Broussard, Felton Moreau, John

Quebodeaux and Kermit Richard. Nays: Cade Benoit, A. J. Credeur, Thomas Sonnier and Alton Stevenson.

A motion was offered by Mr. John Quebodeaux, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, to create the position of Economic Development Director, to develop a job description and fund the position for three years. A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: A. J. Broussard, Felton Moreau, John Quebodeaux and Kermit Richard. Nays: Cade Benoit, A. J. Credeur, Thomas Sonnier and Alton Stevenson.

The Police Jurors discussed changing the times of the meetings from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. No action was taken.

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: FELTON MOREAU AND A J BROUSSARD

BE IT RESOLVED: by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened this 10th day of February, 2009, does hereby re-appoint MRS. APRIL SIMON, MESSRS. GEORGE HEBERT and JOSHUA THIBODEAUX to Acadia Fire Protection District #3 for a two year term effective February, 2009.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe
TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

A motion was offered by Mr. Cade Benoit, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, to accept the following recommendation of the Airport Advisory Committee:

1. To pay the expenses of two individuals to attend the FAA Partnership and Training Conference in Dallas, Texas, March 23-27th. Mr. Lewis Broussard, a Committee member, and Ms. Peggy Romero, Police Jury office staff, are scheduled to attend.

A motion was offered by Mr. John Quebodeaux, seconded by Mr. Felton Moreau, to accept the following recommendations of the Building & Grounds Committee:

1. To cancel the cleaning contract with C & J Commercial Cleaning effective February 28, 2009, with Mr. Alton Stevenson voting no.
2. To accept the proposal of H & H Electrical Service, Inc., to provide electrical services to the Annex Building which includes, but is not limited to, fixtures, lamps, switches, receptacles, computer outlets with cat 6 cable and connections, single phase panel, three phase disconnects for heater and air conditioning, boring to power company pole, including labor and material.
3. To authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to get proposals for the cleaning and painting of the exterior of the Acadia Parish Courthouse.

A motion was offered by Mr. A. J. Broussard, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, to accept the following recommendation of the Insurance Committee:

1. To accept the proposal of Stone Oak Underwriters, LLC, in the amount of \$44,822.00 and further to adopt a resolution authorizing the Secretary-Treasurer to execute and sign the Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Bodily Injury Coverage Form as provided under LSA R.S. 22:680.

A motion was offered by Mr. Kermit Richard, seconded by Mr. John Quebodeaux, to accept the following recommendation of the Legislative Committee:

1. That notices be placed with the local news media to inform the citizens of the Parish that these propositions are renewals and that a new health unit is planned to be constructed with the tax proceeds.

A motion was offered by Mr. Cade Benoit, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, to accept the following recommendation of the Personnel Committee:

1. To recommend adoption of the revised Personnel Manual as submitted for review by the Secretary-Treasurer.

A motion was offered by Mr. Cade Benoit, seconded by Mr. Alton Stevenson, to accept the following recommendations of the Road & Bridge Committee:

1. To instruct the Parish Engineer, Parish Attorney and the Secretary-Treasurer to recommend revisions to the Parish Road Use Ordinance and report back to the Committee with recommendations next month.
2. To place the Avenue H Bridge at Bayou Blanc in the City of Crowley in the Parish's Federal Off-System Bridge Replacement Program "programmed" list for repair or replacement.

A motion was offered by Mr. Alton Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Thomas Sonnier, to accept the following recommendation Solid Waste Committee:

1. To recommend extending the Landfill hours on Saturdays during the Daylight Saving Time 2:00 to 4:30. Sunday hours would remain 9:00 to 2:00 during Daylight Saving Time.

A motion was offered by Mr. Cade Benoit, seconded by Mr. Felton Moreau, to accept the following recommendation of the Finance Committee:

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: CADE BENOIT AND FELTON MOREAU

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened this 10th day of February, 2009, does hereby authorize the President to sign a new Fiscal Agency Agreement with all banks domiciled in Acadia Parish.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe
TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

A motion was offered by Mr. Cade Benoit, seconded by Mr. John Quebodeaux and carried, to authorize the payment of bills for January, 2009.

A motion was offered by Mr. Felton Moreau, seconded by Mr. Thomas Sonnier, that an item be added to the agenda regarding a request for a Congressional Appropriation for LeGros Airport Sewer System. There were no public comments and the motion was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: CADE BENOIT AND ALTON STEVENSON

WHEREAS, Acadia Parish collaborates with the FAA on the safe operation of the LeGros Airport, **and**

WHEREAS, Acadia Parish recognizes the need for installing a septic system at the LeGros Airport, **and**

WHEREAS, the US Congressional Delegation has released a request for Congressional appropriations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened on this the 10th day of February, 2009, does hereby support the Congressional Appropriation and Grant application and accepts the funds into the Parish upon funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Acadia Parish Police Jury does hereby authorize Acadia Parish Police Jury President A. J. Credeur to sign and execute all documents pertaining to the application and implementation of the projects and for Grant Finders LLC d/b/a Karl Cormier & Associates to prepare and administer the projects and present them upon the Acadia Parish Police Jury's behalf to the State Congressional Delegation.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe
TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

A motion was offered by Mr. A. J. Broussard, seconded by Mr. Felton Moreau, that an item be added to the agenda regarding a request for a Congressional Appropriation for LeGros Airport Instrumentation. There were no public comments and the motion was unanimously passed.

A motion was offered by Mr. A. J. Broussard, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, that an item be added to the agenda regarding a request for a Congressional Appropriation for Highway 91 Bridge Replacement. There were no public comments and the motion was unanimously passed.

A motion was offered by Mr. A. J. Broussard, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, to add an item to the agenda regarding the Acadia Parish Tourism Information Center Building. There were no public comments and the motion was passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: THOMAS SONNIER AND KERMIT RICHARD

WHEREAS, Acadia Parish collaborates with the FAA on the safe operation of the LeGros Airport, **and**

WHEREAS, Acadia Parish recognizes the need for purchasing and installing instrumentation equipment at the LeGros Airport, **and**

WHEREAS, the US Congressional Delegation has released a request for Congressional Appropriations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened on this the 10th day of February, 2009, does hereby support the Congressional Appropriation and Grant application and accepts the funds into the Parish upon funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Acadia Parish Police Jury does hereby authorize the Acadia Parish Police Jury President A. J. Credeur to sign and execute all documents pertaining to the application and implementation of the projects and for Grant Finders LLC d/b/a Karla Cormier & Associates to prepare and administer the projects and present them upon the Acadia Parish Police Jury's behalf to the State Congressional Delegation.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Lacombe

/s/ A. J. Credeur

TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: A J BROUSSARD AND FELTON MOREAU

WHEREAS, Acadia Parish has a 2-lane pontoon bridge along Hwy 91 in dire need of replacement, **and**

WHEREAS, this bridge serves as an evacuation route for Acadia Parish as well as surrounding communities, **and**

WHEREAS, the Hwy 91 bridge's dilapidated state causes safety concerns to the residents as well as deters agricultural and economic development with Acadia Parish and the surrounding communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened on this the 10th day of February, 2009, does hereby support the Congressional Appropriation and Grant application and accepts the funds into the Parish upon funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Acadia Parish Police Jury does hereby authorize the Acadia Parish Police Jury President A. J. Credeur to sign and execute all documents pertaining to the application and implementation of the projects and for Grant Finders LLC d/b/a Karla Cormier & Associates to prepare and administer the projects and present them upon the Acadia Parish Police Jury's behalf to the State Congressional Delegation.

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TERRY L. LACOMBE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

/s/ A. J. Credeur
A. J. CREDEUR
PRESIDENT

A motion was offered by Mr. Kermit Richard, seconded by Mr. Alton Stevenson and carried, that the Parish Attorney Mr. Doug Wimberly advise the Police Jury at its next meeting of the steps to be taken to transfer ownership of the building that houses the Acadia Parish Tourist Information Center from the Acadia Parish Police Jury to the Acadia Parish Tourist Commission.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE MEETING, THE MOTION WAS OFFERED DULY SECONDED, THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF MARCH 10, 2009, AT THE HOUR OF 6:30 P.M.

SECRETARY-TREASURER

PRESIDENT