

CROWLEY, LOUISIANA

MAY 12, 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 CREDEUR
FELTON MOREAU
JOHN QUEBODEAUX
KERMIT RICHARD
THOMAS SONNIER
ALTON STEVENSON

ABSENT: A J BROUSSARD

A motion was offered by Mr. John Quebodeaux, seconded by Mr. Cade Benoit, to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the regular meeting held April 21, 2009.

Ms. Mary Fleming, representing Ms. Karla Cormier, gave a report on grant applications.

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: JOHN QUEBODEAUX AND CADE BENOIT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened this 12th day of May, 2009, does hereby empower, authorize and direct the President to execute a contract extension with D & J Enterprises, Inc., for debris removal services from August 3, 2009, to August 2, 2010.

ADOPTED: MAY 12, 2009

ATTEST:

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

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

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: JOHN QUEBODEAUX AND KERMIT RICHARD

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened this 12th day of May, 2009, does hereby empower, authorize and direct the President to sign Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between the Department of Transportation and Development and the Acadia Parish Police Jury for parishwide signing State Project No. 737-01-0104.

ADOPTED: MAY 12, 2009

ATTEST:

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

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

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: ALTON STEVENSON AND KERMIT RICHARD

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened this 12th day of May, 2009, does hereby empower, authorize and direct the President to sign Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between the Department of Transportation and Development and the Acadia Parish Police Jury for pavement markings State Project No. 737-01-0103.

ADOPTED: MAY 12, 2009

ATTEST:

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

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Police Jury acknowledges on the occasion of retirement the dedicated service Robert Bergeaux has given from "**January 4, 1993 to April 30, 2009**", and extends a unanimous vote of thanks and appreciation for the years of excellent and dedicated service he has provided to the Parish of Acadia, **and**

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Acadia Parish Police Jury to extend its best wishes for many years of happiness during his retirement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened on this the 12th day of May, 2009, does hereby recognize and commend **Robert Bergeaux** on the occasion of his retirement and to hereby publicly express the gratitude and appreciation of the citizens of Acadia Parish for his many years of dedicated service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the original of this resolution be formally presented to Robert Bergeaux, and that a copy be attached as part of the Minutes.

ADOPTED: BY UNANIMOUS VOTE
THIS 12TH DAY OF MAY, 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. Alton Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard, to appoint Mr. Felton Moreau to fill the unexpired term of Alton Stevenson on the Acadia Parish Rice Arena Board. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Mr. Felton Moreau, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard and carried, to authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to purchase two tandem axle dump trucks and three pickup trucks for the Parish Road Department.

A motion was offered by Mr. Cade Benoit, seconded by Mr. Felton Moreau and carried, to accept the following recommendations of the Airport Advisory Committee:

1. To authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to hire Mr. William Elliott to conduct appraisals at the Airport to establish the Fair Market Value for hangar and ground space at the Airport.
2. To authorize the Secretary-Treasurer and Parish Attorney to work with Mr. Jacques deMoss with Gravity Sports Skydiving Center to lease possible available building space at the Airport or construct a portable building for interim operations.

A motion was offered by Mr. John Quebodeaux, seconded by Mr. Alton Stevenson and carried, to accept the following recommendations of the Building & Grounds Committee:

1. That a Special Committee be appointed and report to the Police Jury in July with recommendations regarding the security at the Courthouse. The Committee will be chaired by John Quebodeaux and to include Alton Stevenson, Representative from the Sheriff's Office, Fire Marshal Representative, Judge Kristian Earles, Homeland Security Director and the Secretary-Treasurer.
2. To use Terry Monceaux with Monceaux Construction to complete carpentry work in the Annex Building.

A motion was offered by Mr. Alton Stevenson, seconded by Mr. John Quebodeaux and carried, to accept the recommendation of the Legislative Committee:

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: ALTON STEVENSON AND JOHN QUEBODEAUX

RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 745 OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE OF 2009 URGING THE LEGISLATURE AND THE STATE OF LOUISIANA TO ALLOW LOCAL TAX COLLECTING AUTHORITIES TO CONTINUE THE COLLECTION, AND DISTRIBUTION OF LOCAL SALES TAX AND MATTER RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Louisiana grants local government the right to levy and collect local sales and use taxes, **and**

WHEREAS, sales and use revenues for the municipalities within Acadia Parish represent a large portion of total operating funds and tax revenue, **and**

WHEREAS, local administration and collection of sales and use taxes are the best means to protect a very important revenue source; **and**

WHEREAS, the use of external auditors is necessary for the collection of sales tax in multiple jurisdictions, and tax collecting authorities may negotiate and enter into agreements regarding these services; **and**

WHEREAS, local governments may lose significant revenues if the use of external auditors is restricted; **and**

WHEREAS, State Representative Pearson is sponsoring HB 745 to clarify existing laws relative to the use of external auditors.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislative Committee of the Acadia Parish Police Jury, with all eight Police Jury members present, urge and request every member of our Legislative Delegation to vigorously support this legislation thereby confirming the authority of local administration to continue to collect sales and use taxes as before.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be sent to our Legislative Delegation, Acadia Parish Municipalities, Louisiana School Board Association and

Louisiana Police Jury Association so that they may be aware of our position on this matter.

YEAS: Alton Stevenson, Kermit Richard, John Quebodeaux, Cade Benoit and Felton Moreau.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: Thomas Sonnier.

ABSENT: A. J. Broussard.

ADOPTED: MAY 12, 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. Felton Moreau, seconded by Mr. Kermit Richard and carried, to accept the recommendation of the Mosquito Control Committee:

1. To instruct the Secretary-Treasurer to advertise for the sale of the Mosquito Control Airplane on an "as is" basis.

A motion was offered by Mr. Cade Benoit, seconded by Mr. Thomas Sonnier and carried, to accept the following recommendations of the Road & Bridge Committee:

1. That the Police Jury assist the Egan Drainage District with the maintenance of the road leading to the Jonas Cove/Leger Cemetery.
2. To authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to obtain bids for the purchase of an asphalt concrete application machine and supplies.
3. To abandon Christine Road.
4. To instruct the Parish Attorney to revise the current road use ordinance to provide that the bond will be set at 10% of the job cost with a minimum of \$5,000.00 with pictures taken before the project commences and again after the project is completed.

A motion was offered by Mr. Alton Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Felton Moreau and carried, to accept the following recommendations of the Finance Committee:

1. That an engineer/architect be hired to complete the plans, etc. for the construction of a new Acadia Parish Health Unit.

RESOLUTION

BY MESSRS: CADE BENOIT AND KERMIT RICHARD

BE IT RESOLVED by the Acadia Parish Police Jury in regular session duly convened this 12th day of May, 2009, does hereby authorize the President to execute a contract with Frye-Magee for administrative consulting for the Louisiana Recovery Authority Ike/Gustav Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery projects in Acadia Parish.

ADOPTED: MAY 12, 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. Cade Benoit and carried, to authorize the payment of bills for May, 2009.

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 JUNE 9, 2009, AT THE HOUR OF 6:30 P.M.

SECRETARY-TREASURER

PRESIDENT