

Police Jury Room  
October 2, 2017  
Abbeville, Louisiana

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury held on October 2, 2017, with President Ronald Darby Presiding.

The meeting was called to order by President, Ronald Darby, who asked Mr. Wayne Touchet to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the pledge, Mr. Mark Poche', took a moment to give prayer and reflection, President Ronald Darby asked for all phones, pagers, etc. off or set to silent mode for the duration of the Police Jury meeting.

The following members were present:

Mr. Dane Hebert	Mr. Brent Landry
Mr. Ronald Darby, Ex-Officio	Mr. Wayne Touchet
Mr. Mark Poche'	Mr. Paul Bourgeois
Mr. Errol J. Domingues	Mr. Kevin Sagrera
Mr. Ronald Menard	Mr. Pervis Gaspard
Mr. Cloris Boudreaux	Mr. Sandrus Stelly
Mr. Leon Broussard	

Absent: Mr. Jason Picard

Guests: Mr. Gene Sellers, Sr.	Mr. Kim Touchet
Mr. Paul Moresi, III	Ms. Rebecca Broussard
Mr. Billy Noegel	Mr. Tim Baudoin
Mr. Todd Vincent	Ms. Carolyn Bessard

President Darby recognized at this time a period from public comment on any agenda item to be considered from the audience.

No business at this time.

President Darby recognized at this time the reading or approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. Regular Meeting of September 18, 2017.

Upon motion by Mr. Leon Broussard, duly second by Mr. Sandrus Stelly, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury dispensed the reading of the minutes.

President Darby recognized at this time to consider action to amend the agenda to discuss and consider actions on any new items presented by Engineering & Architectural reports.

Upon motion by Mr. Kevin Sagrera, duly seconded by Mr. Cloris Boudreaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to amend to discuss and consider actions on any new items presented by Engineering & Architectural reports.

Mr. Todd Vincent, Sellers & Associates, Inc., stated he has a Partial Payment Estimate #1 for the Street Improvements in the Kaplan area. (Maxie St., Frederick, South Herpin, Amy, and East Simon Rd.) Glenn Lege Construction is the contractor. This is a Partial Payment to bring the work complete through 9/27/2017, in the amount of \$92,704.43.

Upon motion Mr. Cloris Boudreaux, duly seconded by Mr. Ronald Menard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved Partial Payment #1, Glenn Lege, in the amount of \$92,704.43, in regards to Street Improvements in the Kaplan area.

Mr. Todd Vincent, Sellers & Associates, Inc., stated he has an update on CIAP Phase II. He met with the contractor, Diamond B Construction, last Thursday, 09/28/17, and discussed all the Punch List Items that we sent to him for the roads that he had started. Primary North Rd. and Collee Kinney. The Diamond B Construction has agreed to do all the Punch List Items that were requested. He started dressing up on the south segment of North Rd. on Friday and again today. He also agreed to overlay the south segment with a one inch of asphalt. He is planning on bringing his crew in on Wednesday or Thursday if the weather continues. Once he paves the southern segment of North Rd. he will move to Collee Kinney with his paving operations. Diamond B Construction is not voluntarily wanting to break the contract. He is looking to see it through and hopefully end on a good foot. Mr. Todd Vincent recommends to continue forward with the contract.

Upon motion Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved to continue the contract with the contractor working on North Rd. and Collee Kinney Rd.

Mr. Paul Bourgeois stated the stuff they doing on the side of the road doesn't appear to be the same way up and down. When they came back to fix back in peoples yard it doesn't seem to be the same. When I went to see down North Rd. there are three or four different kinds. Are they going to come back and add asphalt in the driveways that have a gap.

Mr. Todd Vincent stated that if it is a concrete driveway they will have a turn out and if it's aggregate it should be limestone.

Brent Landry stated they are going up another inch south of the bridge. So what is it going to be three, four inches total?

Mr. Todd Vincent stated that they dressing the shoulders now so that the material will be flush with the existing asphalt and then you will have the one inch of asphalt on top.

Mr. Dane Hebert stated if it would be on all of the driveways.

Mr. Todd Vincent stated that the driveways will be addressed for sure and the criteria that we gave them, if it is over an inch and a half they will have to come back with limestone and decrease that thickness.

Mr. Ronald Darby recognized Mr. Kim Touchet, Primeaux, Touchet & Associates, to present his business to the Jury.

Mr. Kim Touchet stated that he talked to the contractor on Friday and he will begin the little project in two to three weeks.

Mr. Ronald Darby questioned if there are any data on the bridges. Like water depths, width, etc.

Mr. Kim Touchet replied that yes they take cross sections of the channels and they take water surface elevation at that time, which we know it fluctuates. We do have some information from the State too.

Mr. Ronald Darby recognized Mr. Gene Sellers, Jr., The Sellers Group, to present his business to the Jury.

Mr. Gene Sellers, Jr stated that he wanted to see exactly what the Jury wanted to do pertaining the cleaning of the Courthouse.

Mr. Ronald Darby stated that they wanted Mr. Gene Sellers, Jr to get a quote for washing The Courthouse Building not painting, but also to get a quote on washing and painting The Courthouse Building.

Mr. Gene Sellers, Jr. stated that he had brought up that he is on the Board of Women & Children Homeless Shelter in Lafayette that also serves Vermilion Parish. They applied for a Grant to have rental subsidies and security deposits. They did get the grant. Your constituents would be eligible to apply. It's the Women & Children Outreach Center in Lafayette. We have about \$200,000.00 in Grant Funds available for rental assistants, security deposits, and utility deposits for people that were displaced. With this Grant, a lot of times with CDBG funding you have to meet a medium income below a certain amount but on this one it's only eighty (80%) percent of the medium income. So it is eligible to a lot more people. This is regarding the August 2016 Flood.

Mr. Ronald Darby recognized Report of Standing Committees, Courthouse Committee.

Stated the he was able to get in touch with Mr. Danny Ricard but not Mr. Carrol Lemaire. He would like to appoint Mr. Danny Richard, Fire Protection District #7.

Upon motion by Mr. Kevin Sagrera, duly seconded by Mr. Leon Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approved the appointment of Mr. Danny Richard to Fire Protection District #7.

Mr. Paul stated that he move that they accept the recommendations for the Courthouse/Building Committee Meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Paul, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury accept the recommendations for Courthouse/Building Committee Meeting.

Mr. Ronald Darby recognized Report of Standing Committees, Public Works Committee.

Mr. Dane Hebert stated that are there any changes or additions to the Public Works Committee Recommendations, if not I move that we accept them.

Upon motion by Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Cloris Boudreaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury accept the recommendations for Public Works Committee.

Mr. Ronald Darby recognized Report of Standing Committee, Public Roads Committee.

Mr. Leon Broussard stated any changes or amendments to Public Road Committee Recommendations. Peering none, I move that we approve of them.

Upon motion by Mr. Leon Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Sandrus Stelly, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury accept the recommendations for Public Road Committee.

Mr. Ronald Darby recognized Report of Standing Committee, Finance Committee.

Mr. Wayne Touchet stated any changes or amendments to Finance Committee. Non-heard, I move to approve.

Upon motion by Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve the recommendations for Finance Committee.

Mr. Ronald Darby recognized New Business. Consider action to amend the agenda to discuss and consider actions on any new items by the Parish Administrator.

Upon motion by Mr. Paul Bourgeois, duly seconded by Mr. Kevin Segrera, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury accept the action to amend the agenda to discuss and consider action on any new items by the Parish Administrator.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard, Parish Administrator, stated a motion is needed to approve Mount Carmel School of Abbeville, the use of one (1) dumpster for their Celebrity Chef Celebration Fundraiser.

Upon motion Mr. Mark Poche', duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve Mount Carmel School of Abbeville the use of one (1) dumpster for their Celebrity Chef Celebration Fundraiser.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve the payment of Invoice No. VP 20170921 to Rivers Security, LLC in the amount of \$2,869.58, for armed security guard services for the month of 09/08/2017. Cost to be paid from General Fund.

Upon motion Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Leon Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve the payment of Invoice No. VP 20170921 to Rivers Security, LLC in the amount of \$2,869.58, for armed security guard services for the month of 09/08/2017. Cost to be paid from General Fund.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve payment to Foley & Judell, L.L.P. in the amount of \$568.00, for expenses in connection with the Millage Continuation & Millage Elections. Cost to be paid from Sub Road District No. 3 of Rd. Dist. #2.

Upon motion Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Kevin Sagrera, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve payment to Foley & Judell, L.L.P. in the amount of \$568.00, for expenses in connection with the Millage Continuation & Millage Elections. Cost to be paid from Sub Road District No. 3 of Rd. Dist. #2.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve Invoice No. 1000008072 dated 09/01/2017 to York Risk Services Group, Inc., relative to Auto Liability - Bodily injury and Auto Liability – Property Damage for August, 2017 in the amount of \$1,016.00. Cost to be paid out of General Fund.

Upon motion by Mr. Cloris Boudreaux, duly seconded by Mr. Sandrus Stelly, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve Invoice No. 1000008072 dated 09/01/2017 to York Risk Services Group, Inc., relative to Auto Liability - Bodily injury and Auto Liability – Property Damage for August, 2017 in the amount of \$1,016.00. Cost to be paid out of General Fund.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to authorize Legal Counsel to send a letter to Calvary Enterprises, Inc. relative to Long Grass Ordinance in Subdivision Windy Hill, Lot #1.

Upon motion by Mr. Kevin Sagrera, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel to send a letter to Calvary Enterprises, Inc. relative to Long Grass Ordinance in Subdivision Windy Hill, Lot #1.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to authorize Legal Counsel to send a letter to Ms. Nicole Saltzman Clark, relative to violation of Long Grass Subdivision Complaint Ordinance No. 2005-0-09 for Lots #41 & 42 in Marion Faulk Subdivision, in Election District 12.

Upon motion Mr. Pervis Gaspard, duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury authorize Legal Counsel to send a letter to Ms. Nicole Saltzman Clark, relative to violation of Long Grass Subdivision Complaint Ordinance No. 2005-0-09 for Lots #41 & 42 in Marion Faulk Subdivision, in Election District 12.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve the use of three (3) dumpsters to La. Cajun Food Festival for their festival which is to be held in Downtown Kaplan on 10/07/17.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Cloris Boudreaux, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve the use of three (3) dumpsters to La. Cajun Food Festival for their festival which is to be held in Downtown Kaplan on 10/07/17.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve payment of Invoice No. 014143 to L & R Construction of Kaplan, in the amount of \$50,494.90 relative to the repair of Levee using a Dozer Excavator and a DYNA Pack Roller.

Upon motion Mr. Leon Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Sandrus Stelly, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve payment of Invoice No. 014143 to L & R Construction of Kaplan, in the amount of \$50,494.90 relative to the repair of Levee using a Dozer Excavator and a DYNA Pack Roller.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve payment of Invoice No. 014150 to L & R Construction of Kaplan, in the amount of \$4,750.00 relative to 324 Cat Long Reach 200 Komatsu Mobilization for the Gueydan Levee.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Leon Broussard, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve payment of Invoice No. 014150 to L & R Construction of Kaplan, in the amount of \$4,750.00 relative to 324 Cat Long Reach 200 Komatsu Mobilization for the Gueydan Levee.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve payment of Invoice No. 26 to Lafayette Juvenile Detention Home in the amount of \$750.00. Cost to be paid out of General Fund.

Upon motion Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Paul Bourgeois, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve payment of Invoice No. 26 to Lafayette Juvenile Detention Home in the amount of \$750.00. Cost to be paid out of General Fund.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to ratify the hiring of Ms. Jillian Duhon, Judges Secretary on 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor.

Upon motion by Mr. Kevin Sagrera, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury ratify the hiring of Ms. Jillian Duhon, Judges Secretary on 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve the six (6) month extension for Building Permit No. 31551 in regards to The Hollier's Home Project.

Upon motion Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Paul Bourgeois, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve the six (6) month extension for Building Permit No. 31551 in regards to The Hollier's Home Project.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve Mr. Gibson Bessard to do work at 425 E. Magnolia, to pour bottom & strip – build catch basin, at a cost of \$2,250.00. Cost to be paid from Sub 1 of 2, Election District #7.

Upon motion by Mr. Paul Bourgeois, duly seconded by Mr. Wayne Touchet, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve Mr. Gibson Bessard to do work at 425 E. Magnolia, to pour bottom & strip – build catch basin, at a cost of \$2,250.00. Cost to be paid from Sub 1 of 2, Election District #7.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve payment for the following invoices for housing of prisoners. Also allow Legal Counsel to send a letter with the checks.

- (A) LaSalle correction Center for the Month of August, 2017 in the amount of \$10,170.63.
- (B) Caldwell Correction Center for the Month of August, 2017 in the amount of \$2,016.70.
- (C) Jackson Parish Correction Center for the Month of August, 2017 in the amount of \$13,073.04.
- (D) Richland Parish Detention Center for the Month of August, 2017 in the amount of \$5,585.31.

Upon motion by Mr. Ronald Menard, duly seconded by Mr. Paul Bourgeois, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve payment for the following invoices for housing of prisoners. Also allow Legal Counsel to send a letter with the checks.

- (A) LaSalle correction Center for the Month of August, 2017 in the amount of \$10,170.63.
- (B) Caldwell Correction Center for the Month of August, 2017 in the amount of \$2,016.70.
- (C) Jackson Parish Correction Center for the Month of August, 2017 in the amount of \$13,073.04.
- (D) Richland Parish Detention Center for the Month of August, 2017 in the amount of \$5,585.31.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve payment of attached bill dated 09/09/2017 to Bon Ami Floor Gallery for work done at the Old Hibernia Bank Building, Sheriff Department, in the amount of \$4,372.61.

Upon motion by Mr. Wayne Touchet, duly seconded by Mr. Paul Bourgeois, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve payment of attached bill dated 09/09/2017 to Bon Ami Floor Gallery for work done at the Old Hibernia Bank Building, Sheriff Department, in the amount of \$4,372.61.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated a motion is needed to approve payment of the attached bills that were submitted.

Upon motion by Mr. Leon Broussard, duly seconded by Mr. Kevin Sagrera, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve payment of the attached bills that were submitted.

President Darby recognized New Business, Legal Counsel Business.

Mr. Paul Moresi, III, Moresi Firm, stated he looked at the Public Bid Law. There was a discussion Wednesday Night whether or not you could put an item in a public bid that requires the person who furnishes the equipment or material to have certain experience. I haven't found an answer either yes or no. If you'll want it added to it, my advice would be to add it to it and if somebody objects then we can revisit it.

President Darby stated just go ahead and bid out. Let just anybody bid out that way we do not have any problem at all. The company that is bidding on it has been in business for twenty something years but they only been doing that type of machine for a year and they local.

Upon motion by Mr. Pervis Gaspard, duly seconded by Mr. Kevin Sagrera, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury allowing any company to bid for the shredder.

Mr. Paul Moresi, III, Moresi Firm, stated that if the Jury recalls, they had proposed to have ten (10) of the Drainage Boards share the cost of Mike Ardoin's salary. Eight (8) out of the ten (10) have signed IGA and sent it in. Coulee Kinney asked for a legal opinion as to whether or not they can legally share the cost. I told them my answer is yes and it should go out tomorrow in written opinion because it deals with improving our drainage. Another board met with me today with some other matters, Coulee Dejon. They think that it is a good idea but they have one of the smallest budgets in the Parish and they would prefer it paid proportionally to the budgets of each of the Drainage Boards. Discussion.

President Darby recognized New Business, Police Jury President Business.

President Darby stated that he and Mr. Kevin Sagrera attended Acadiana Planter Commissions. We are trying to get some projects going, doing different things. Getting everyone together to see what is needed to get done.

President Darby recognized New Business, Police Jury Business.

Mr. Dane Hebert stated do we currently have any job openings for the Secretary Staff.

Ms. Carolyn Bessard stated that everything has been filled but would like to ask for a Receptionist in Police Jury Office.

Upon motion Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Mr. Brent Landry, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve the advertising for the Receptionist Position in the Police Jury Office.

Mr. Errol Domingues stated he needs an ordinance at 404 Suire Dr. for a blind person sign, 200 feet on each side of 404 Suire Dr. Also an Autistic Child Sign on Morgan Rd. from Hwy 331 extended 600 feet on Morgan Rd. If at next meeting Mr. Gene Sellers, Sr. or Mr. Todd Vincent can give me an update of the Drainage Study off of Boat Shop Rd.

Upon motion Mr. Errol Domingues, duly seconded by Mr. Pervis, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve Ordinance sign at 404 Suire Dr., Blind Person Sign, 200 feet on both sides of address, and at Morgan Rd, Autistic Child Sign, 600 feet from Hwy 331 on Morgan Rd.



Upon motion by Mr. Kevin Sagrera, duly seconded by Mr. Errol Domingues, and unanimously carried, the Police Jury approve to amend the agenda to allow Ms. Janice McComber to speak.

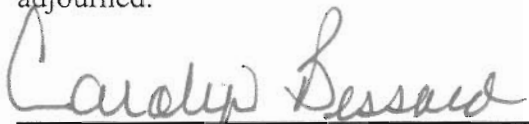
Ms. Janice McComber stated that her neighborhood this last year was one of the ones to never be flooded in The Great Flood, Magnolia Subdivision the West Side. When Harvey came the panic was there that they might flood. Several of my neighbors mentioned the drainage in our neighborhood, especially the coulee, which wasn't clean before Harvey. We called Mr. Wayne Touchet to help us because the Drainage Board claims one thing, The State doing another, and The Parish doing another. At our corner we have a State Rd, a drainage coulee, and a Parish, West Magnolia. We here not only for our concern of the neighborhood but for others that the coulee is the main drainage. What has been done since the Great Flood in the line of drainage in the neighborhoods? It needs to be kept up because if it happens again the water has no place to go.

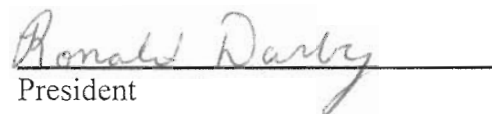
Mr. Wayne Touchet stated he has a partial update. Last week the Police Jury approved the jet. We jetted it all. Our crew even went out along all the State Highways due to them not being cut probably since last year. We will install some 24 inch pipe to replace some 10 inch pipe on the east end of you'll subdivision to get water to the coulee. We authorized Sellers & Associates, Inc. to do a drain study to be sure that the rest of the pipe that we will be putting in the subdivision that is adequate size. Also working with the Drainage Board.

Mr. Kevin Sagrera stated that R & B Cooling received the certified letter. What steps should I take? Do I ask Keith to pick trash up now and send a bill and the receipt?

Mr. Paul Moresi, III, Legal Counsel, stated it has been two (2) weeks since they have received the letter and he suggest sending the crew to pick it up. The labor and material costs and we will send them a bill.

Upon motion by Mr. Leon Broussard, and duly seconded by Mr. Paul Bourgeois, and unanimously carried, there being no further business to be presented, the meeting was duly adjourned.

  
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Parish Administrator

  
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President