

RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY

REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2002

The Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Room of the Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray Street, Alexandria, Louisiana, on Monday, April 8, 2002, at three (3:00) o'clock p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Honorable Davron "Bubba" Moreau, President; Joe Fuller, Vice President; and Police Jurors Steve P. Bordelon, Ezra L. Reed, Myron K. Lawson, Donald H. Wilmore, Richard L. Nunnally, Richard W. Billings, Scott Perry Jr.

Also present were Mr. Tim Ware, Treasurer; Mr. Cecil Raggio, Public Works Director; Ms. Donna Andries, Sales Tax Administrator; Ms. Jan Haworth, Office of Economic and Workforce Development Director; Mr. Felix Mouton, WIA Operations Director; Chief David Peart, Fire District No. 2; Mr. Thomas O. Wells, Legal Counsel; Ms. Candice Saucier, Civil Service Director; and Ms. Angie Richmond, Secretary.

The invocation was given by Mr. Scott Perry Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Steve Bordelon.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the governing authority of said Parish by Hon. Bubba Moreau, President, who welcomed all present and then stated that the Police Jury was ready for the transaction of business.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on March 18, 2002, as published in the Official Journal. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, that approved bills be paid. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, to accept the Treasurer's Report. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to lay over the appointment to the Fire District No. 3 Civil Service Board to fill the expired term of Mrs. Suzy Berry, nominated by Louisiana College, term expired on October 10, 2001. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to lay over the appointment to the Waterworks District No. 3 for a five year term to fill the expiring term of Mr. Ezra D. White, term will expire on May 1, 2002. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, to reappoint Mr. Charles R. Moore to the Ward 9 Recreation District for a five year term, term will expire on May 12, 2007. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Don Wilmore, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to reappoint Mr. George Allen to the Wards 1 & 8 Recreation District for a five year term, term will expire on May 12, 2007. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Don Wilmore, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, to reappoint Chief David Peart to the Twin Valley Resource Conservation and Development District for one year term, term will expire on May 30, 2003. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to lay over the appointment to the Hospital Service District No. 5 to fill the vacancy in the unexpired term created by the resignation of Mr. Donald O. Rogers, having been laid over thirty days, term will expire on March 9, 2008. On vote the motion carried.

The following appointments were announced to be made at the next meeting to:

Ward 5 Recreation District for a five year term to fill the expiring term of Mr. Shelby Gordon, term will expire on June 9, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to waive the thirty day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Shelby Gordon to the Ward 5 Recreation District for a five year term, term will expire on June 9, 2007.

On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Lawson presented a video that appeared on Home Box Office on Mr. Willie Davis, a custodian at Arthur Smith Middle School who is also the volunteer head boys and girls basketball coach with several winning teams. He presented a plaque to express the appreciation of the Rapides Parish Police Jury for his community service.

On motion by Mr. Myron Lawson, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, the following proclamation was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

PROCLAMATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby proclaim April 8, 2002 as "Coach" Willie Davis Day in Rapides Parish.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this 8th day of April, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to request the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to look at the possibility of installing a blinking caution light at the intersection of Willow Glen Road and Eddie Williams Boulevard in Alexandria, a hazardous location and the site of many serious accidents, copy of this resolution to be sent to Mr. Wayne Marchand, LDOTD District 08 Administrator, and our Louisiana Legislative Delegation. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to request International Paper to send a report on their water supply plans in regard to the recent report that the City of Alexandria is consuming about 24 million gallons of water a day, of which about 8 million gallons are diverted to International Paper Company, from ground aquifers under the City and in the rural areas and that Alexandria residents could face water shortages in the next few years if another source is not found, such as a treatment plant on the Red River at an estimated cost of \$37 million for a 30 million gallon a day usage and to further request the Mayor of Alexandria to send a representative to explain to the Police Jury their plans. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to waive the forty foot culvert limitation and authorize the Parish Highway Department to install approximately sixty feet of fifteen inch pipe at 113 Gayven Drive, the property owner to furnish the pipe, and the Parish Highway Department to furnish catch basin, install and backfill, to be paid out of Road District No. 10A Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize Mr. Carroll Teal, off LA 112 in Ward 5, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certification, to be paid out of Road District No. 5A Maintenance. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to request the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to look at the possibility of installing a blinking caution light at the intersection of Willow Glen Road and Sugarhouse Road in Alexandria, a hazardous location, copy of this resolution to be sent to Mr. Wayne Marchand, LDOTD District 08 Administrator, and our Louisiana Legislative Delegation. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to grant approval to Martin Springs Subdivision, contingent upon receipt of the required information from the Rapides Area Planning Commission and approval of Legal Counsel. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to adopt the Highway Department Operation Manual, as recommended by the Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1818 Abandoned Railroad Tank Car Culverts (annual contract) to Progress Rail Services, the lowest bidder, as recommended by the Treasurer, Public Works Director and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1819 Creosote Bridge Material (annual contract) as follows: Items 1 through 43, plant price, to Tyco Ventures, LLC (Pineville); Items 44 through 51, plant price, to Colfax Treating Company (Pineville); and Items 1 through 51, delivered price in truck with load quantities, to Kennedy Saw Mills (Shreveport), as recommended by the Treasurer, Public Works Director and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1820 Bituminous Mixture for Hot and Cold Application (annual contract) to Diamond B Construction for Hot Mix (\$26.50 per ton) and Cold Mix (\$39.00 per ton) and to award D&J Construction Company for Hot Mix (\$27.00 per ton) based on availability of material, as recommended by the Public Works Director, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1821 Liquid Asphalt (annual contract) as follows: Items 1 through 3 (CRS-2) to Ergon Asphalt; Item 4 (MC-30) to Asphalt Products; and Item 5 (AEP) to Koch Materials, as recommended by the Public Works Director, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1822 Various Road Materials (Gravel) to the following for all items bid based on availability of material and haul distance: Larry Grayson & Son Trucking, Luhr Brothers Inc. and TXI Industries, as recommended by the Public Works

Director, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1823 Reinforced Concrete Pipe (annual contract) to Rinker Materials, Hydro Conduit, the sole bidder for all items bid, as recommended by the Public Works Director, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to waive the name change application fee and thirty day public review period; change the name of Bowden Road to the Carl Giles Road (existing connection at intersection) and extend the maintenance by approximately 1,100 feet, pending dedication of a 50' right of way. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to waive the name change application fee and thirty day public review period; correct the name of Lloyd's Bridge Road to the Loyd Bridge Road. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to request the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to look at the possibility of installing a protected left turn signal light on US 165 North at its intersection with LA 623 (Tioga Road), which already has a left turn lane, copy of this resolution to be sent to Mr. Wayne Marchand, LDOTD District 08 Administrator, and our Louisiana Legislative Delegation. On vote the motion carried.

The next agenda item was that the Fire Protection District No. 2 Chief bring back a recommendation for a pay increase for the employees of Fire District No. 2, along with a list of accomplishments compared to the City of Alexandria and that report also be brought back as an update on fire hydrants in less populated areas.

Chief David Peart, of Fire Protection District No. 2, presented his report, a copy of which was distributed to all Police Jurors and is on file in the Police Jury Office, which did not recommend a pay increase for reasons cited. Mr. Tim Ware, Treasurer, presented a ten year budget projection. Capt. Randy Cain, of Fire Protection District No. 2, stated he felt the starting salary was a problem in attracting qualified applicants.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, to accept the recommendation of Chief Peart. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to accept the Secretary's Report. On vote the motion carried.

The following resolution was offered by Scott Perry and seconded by Ezra Reed:

RESOLUTION

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of special taxes therein; making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Sections 30 and 32 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2002**, between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m., and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 (GENERAL LIBRARY TAX)

SUMMARY: 10 YEAR, 7 MILLS PROPERTY TAX FOR IMPROVING, CONSTRUCTING, MAINTAINING AND OPERATING PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN THE PARISH IN LIEU OF A 6 MILLS TAX AS AUTHORIZED AT AN ELECTION ON JANUARY 15, 1994.

Shall the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the Parish), levy a special tax of seven (7) mills on all property subject to taxation in the Parish, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2003 and ending with the year 2012, for the purpose of improving, constructing, maintaining and operating the Rapides Parish Library and its branches, title to which is, and shall be, in the public, said tax to be in lieu of a 6 mills tax as authorized at an election held on January 15, 1994?

PROPOSITION NO. 2 (LIBRARY EXPANSION TAX)

SUMMARY: 10 YEAR, 2.25 MILLS PROPERTY TAX FOR EXPANDING, IMPROVING, CONSTRUCTING, MAINTAINING AND OPERATING PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN THE PARISH.

Shall the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the Parish), levy a special tax of two and twenty-five hundredths (2.25) mills on all property subject to taxation in the Parish, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2003 and ending with the year 2012, for the purpose of expanding, improving, constructing, maintaining and operating the Rapides Parish Library and its branches, title to which is, and shall be, in the public?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the Alexandria Daily Town Talk, a daily newspaper of general circulation within the Parish, published in Alexandria, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the Parish, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Rapides Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray St., 2nd Floor, Alexandria, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2002**, at **THREE O'CLOCK (3:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of the said special election.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners: Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held on Monday, October 14, 2002, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the Parish will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Secretary of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the President and/or Secretary of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election, including but not limited to, appropriate submission to the Federal Department of Justice under Section 5 of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of Rapides Parish and the Registrar of Voters of Rapides Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to levy and collect the special taxes provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

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

YEAS: Bubba Moreau, Stephen P. Bordelon, Ezra L. Reed, Myron K. Lawson, Donald H. Wilmore, Joe Fuller, Richard L. Nunnally, Richard W. Billings and Scott Perry, Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 8th day of April, 2002.

EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Rapides, State of

Louisiana (the "Parish"), on April 8, 2002, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2002**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

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The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the Parish, which polls will open at six o'clock (6:00) a.m., and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit:

POLLING PLACES

Precinct Location

N1	Pineville Elementary School
N2	Pineville City Hall
N3	Slocum Elementary School
N4	Pineville Civic Center, Kees Park
N5	Pineville High School
N6	Tioga High School
N7	Pineville High School
N8 (A-K)	Lessie Moore Elementary School
N8 (L-Z)	Lessie Moore Elementary School
N9	Pineville Civic Center, Kees Park
N10	J. I. Barron School
N11	Pineville Junior High School
N12	J. I. Barron School
N13	Pineville Junior High School
N14	Pineville Junior High School
N15	Tioga High School
N16	Paradise Elementary School
N17	Vol. Fire Station, Esler Field Road
N18 (A-K)	Ball Elementary School
N18 (L-Z)	Ball Elementary School
N19 (A-K)	Mary Goff Elementary School
N19 (L-Z)	Mary Goff Elementary School
N20	Mary Goff Elementary School
N21	Vol. Fire Station, Rigolette Road
N22	Carl Gunter Library Branch
N23	Fire Dist. 6 Station, Hickory Grove
N24	Buckeye High School
N25	Buckeye High School
N26	Philadelphia Baptist Church
N27	Ruby Wise Elementary School
N28	Ruby Wise Elementary School
N29	Ruby Wise Elementary School
C1	Alexandria City Hall
C2	Peabody 6th Grade Center

C3	Arthur F. Smith Junior High School
C4 (A-K)	Acadian 6th Grade Center
C4 (L-Z)	Acadian 6th Grade Center
C5	Lincoln Rd. 6th Grade Center
C6	Edwin C. Hayes School
C7	Peabody Magnet School
C8	South Alexandria 6th Grade Center
C9	South Alexandria 6th Grade Center
C10	Alma Redwine Primary
C11	Reed Avenue School
C12	Reed Avenue School
C13	Fire Dist. #2 Station at England Dr.
C14	North Bayou Rapides Elementary School
C15	Rosenthal Grammar School
C16	Rugg School
C17	Rugg School
C18	Bolton High School
C19	Aiken Optional School
C20	Amerita Club
C21 (A-K)	Martin Park Elementary School
C21 (L-Z)	Martin Park Elementary School
C22	LSU-A
C23	Horseshoe Drive Baptist Church
C24	Horseshoe Drive Elementary School
C25	Horseshoe Drive Elementary School
C26	Aiken Optional School
C27	Huddle Elementary School
C28	Alexandria Junior High School
C29	LA Special Education Center
C30	Nachman Elementary School
C31	Alexandria Senior High School
C32	Brame Junior High School
C33	Cherokee Elementary School
C34	Cherokee Elementary School
C35	Alexandria Senior High School
C36	Nachman Elementary School
C37	Parish Highway Dept, 8051 Hwy 28 West
C38	La Special Education Center
C39	North Bayou Rapides Elementary School
C40	Bolton High School
C41	Alexandria Senior High School
C42	Cherokee Elementary School
S1	Northwood High School
S2	Fire Dist. #14 Sta. on LA 8 Flatwoods
S3	Northwood High School
S4	Wettermark
S5	Boyce Town Hall
S6	Fire Dist. #2 Station Hot Wells Road
S7	Oak Hill School
S8	Cotile Volunteer Fire Dept. LA 1200
S9	Clifton Community Center
S10 (A-K)	Oak Hill School
S10 (L-Z)	Oak Hill School
S11	Fire Dist. #5 Station, LA 121 Gardner
S12	Oak Hill School
S13	Woodworth Municipal Building
S14	Forestry Hdqtrs (Forest Hall)
S15	LSU-A
S16	Poland School
S17	Cheneyville Town Hall
S18	Cheneyville Town Hall
S19	Rapides High School
S20	Lecompte Town Hall
S21	Miller's Store, Midway
S22	Forest Hill Elementary
S23	Forest Hill Town Hall
S24	McNary Town Hall
S25	Glenmora High School
S26	Glenmora Volunteer Fire Station
S27	Volunteer Fire Station, Morrison Road
S28	Fire Dist. #10 Station, Union Hill

The polling places set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Rapides Parish Courthouse, 701 Murray St., 2nd Floor, Alexandria, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2002**, at **THREE O'CLOCK (3:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Alexandria, Louisiana, on this, the 8th day of April, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to declare certain assets of the Library as surplus property, no longer needed for public use, and authorize disposal at auction:

Description

Electric Typewriter
 Manual Typewriter
 Fax Machine
 Fax Machine
 Fax Machine
 Fax Machine
 Fax Machine
 Epson Computer Printer
 Computer Tower
 Video Inspection Machine
 Slide Projector
 16mm Movie Projector
 Rolling Cabinet
 Printer Stand
 Table Saw
 Small Metal Desk
 Makita 12V Drill
 Makita 9V Drill
 Gas Heater
 Roll-around Computer Cart
 5 Sections of Wrought Iron Fence
 Microwave
 Paperback Spinner
 Paperback Spinner
 Paperback Spinner
 Paperback Spinner
 Paperback Spinner
 Antiques acquired with Huie-Dellmon House in 1993:
 Sideboard
 Music Stand/Podium
 Mirror
 Chandelier
 On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to grant the 5% increase to the Fire Protection District No. 4 Secretary, as recommended by the Holiday Village Volunteer Fire Association, in the amount of \$7.00 per hour to \$7.35 per hour, effective April 1, 2002. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to adjust the pay of Mr. Larry Farris, Area Coordinator, to be at the rate of \$2591.04/month, effective April 1, 2002, to provide for pay differential between the area coordinators for comparable work. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the President to sign a grant application to the Rapides Foundation for an assessment on mosquito control. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, the following ordinance was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT SECTION 2-8 HIRING, TERMINATION AND DISCIPLINE OF POLICE JURY EMPLOYEES SO AS TO REQUIRE PRIOR APPROVAL OF HIRING OR TERMINATION BY A DEPARTMENT HEAD

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Rapides Parish Police Jury in Regular Session convened on this 8th day of April, 2002, that Section 2-8 of the Rapides Parish Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and reenacted to include a new subsection as follows:

Chapter 2. ADMINISTRATION

Article II. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

Section 2-8. Hiring, termination and discipline of police jury employees.

(f) Prior to hiring or prior to termination of a police jury employee, the department head shall first discuss the matter with the Police Jury president, the personnel committee chairman and the chairman of the appropriate committee.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance is to be effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED in all other respects Section 2-8 of the Rapides Parish Code of Ordinances shall remain unchanged.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this 8th day of April, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, the following proclamation was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, county government traces its roots to the English shire of a thousand years ago, serving as the citizen's local government voice since its inception; and,

WHEREAS, when the federal government was formed, the framers of the Constitution chose to provide states with the freedom to create county governments; early state constitutions conceptualized the importance of county government and its dual value to both the state and federal governments; and,

WHEREAS, changes in structure and greater autonomy from the states, rising revenues and stronger political accountability have ushered in a new era for county governments as they begin the 21st century; and,

WHEREAS, technology plays a huge role in our lives today, bringing about changes in nearly everything that we do; counties are using technology to improve the delivery of services and communication to citizens; and,

WHEREAS, in the past, county governments seized opportunities and met challenges that confronted them; today, county governments continue to be the citizen's local government voice and are the governments of the future, providing solutions that bring communities together; and,

WHEREAS, this year, more than ever before, our citizens need to know that their county governments are working hard to protect and safeguard their way of life; and,

WHEREAS, Counties Secure America is the theme for National County Government Week 2002; and,

WHEREAS, counties play a key role in every emergency, whether that emergency is a natural disaster or some other type such as the events that occurred on September 11, 2001; and,

WHEREAS, counties are first responders because they are often times responsible for: extinguishing fires, enforcing the law, rescuing survivors, administering on site care by Emergency Medical Technicians, caring for the injured in county hospitals, rerouting traffic and setting up roadblocks, organizing evacuations, notifying citizens of impending events, and operating emergency shelters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby proclaim April 7-13, 2002 as

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK

in Rapides Parish, Louisiana, in recognition of the leadership, innovation and valuable service provided by our nation's counties.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 8th day of April, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, the following proclamation was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the strength of our nation flows from the promise of individual equality and freedom of choice; and,

WHEREAS, the Thirty-fourth anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the Month of April, is an occasion for all Americans - individually and collectively - to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination wherever it exists. This law

guarantees for each citizen that critical, personal element of freedom of choice - selection of the home; and,

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the State of Louisiana, and by the Rapides Parish Police Jury, and implementation of that law requires the positive commitment, involvement and support of each of our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the departments and agencies of the State of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby join Governor Mike Foster in proclaiming the month of April, 2002, as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and encourages all citizens to abide by the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law and asks the citizens of this Parish to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 8th day of April, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the President to sign Supplemental No. 1 to the Engineering Services Agreement with Ballard and Associates on the Cloverdale/Grundy Cooper Subdivision, Statewide Flood Control Program, State Project No. 576-40-0015, for additional services by Engineer resulting from the alternate method proposed by the City of Alexandria with a new interceptor ditch. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve Modification No. 1 to WIA 10% funds to incorporate a supplemental award of \$250,000 and authorize the President to sign and the Treasurer to amend the budget as necessary. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to support the Office of Economic and Workforce Development's application for FY 2002 Department of Housing and Urban Development Funds for YouthBuild and other applicable services and to authorize the President to sign the necessary contracts with HUD. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the registration fee for the Parish Secretary and any other interested Department Head to attend a Computer Maintenance Course to be held on June 12-13, 2002 in Alexandria, to be paid out of the General Administrative Fund. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Myron Lawson, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to create and establish an economic development consortium, to be composed of, but not limited to economic development entities, representatives from the England Authority, the Chamber of Commerce, CCDC, NRCEP, the Alexandria Downtown Development District, the Pineville Downtown Development District, the Central Louisiana Business League, and to allow the Consortium to meet on a regular basis for the Police Jury. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to request the US Environmental Protection Agency and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality to post warning signs around the waterways, streams and bayous that may have suffered contamination from the Ruston Foundry. On vote the motion carried.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Scott Perry and seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed:

RESOLUTION

A resolution approving the issuance, sale and delivery of not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) of Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2002, of Ward 9 Recreation District, Rapides Parish, Louisiana

WHEREAS, Ward 9 Recreation District, Rapides Parish, Louisiana (the "District") proposes to issue not exceeding \$50,000 of Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2002 (the "Certificates") for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating the recreational facilities of the District, including necessary equipment in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, the District has requested that this Police Jury approve the issuance, sale and delivery of said Certificates of the District; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Police Jury to approve the issuance of said Certificates of the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of Ward 9 Recreation District, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, this Police Jury hereby approves the issuance, sale and delivery of not exceeding \$50,000 of Limited Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2002, said Certificates to be secured by and payable from a special six (6) mills tax, authorized at an election held within the District on November 17, 2001, as provided by Section 742.2 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority.

SECTION 2. The Parish of Rapides and this Police Jury shall not be liable in any manner for the payment of said Certificates, and no funds of the Parish or the Police Jury shall be pledged to the payment thereof.

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

YEAS: Davron "Bubba" Moreau, Joe Fuller, Steve P.

Bordelon, Ezra L. Reed, Myron K. Lawson, Donald H. Wilmore, Richard L. Nunnally, Richard W. Billings, Scott Perry Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the resolution was adopted on this the 8th day of April, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the expenses of interested Police Jurors and designated Parish employees to attend the 2003 annual Police Jury Association Conference to be held on January 23-25, 2003 in New Orleans, LA. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to lay over the agenda item to allow Reverend Alvin Fields to address the Police Jury regarding the Lena Nash Park in Rigolette until he is able to attend. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to allocate an amount not to exceed \$7,000 for sponsorship of the National Association of Counties Conference to be held on July 12-16, 2002 in New Orleans, if needed, to be paid out of the General Fund. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to delete from Fire District No. 7 Asset/Inventory List the following asset number as this vehicle is no longer suitable for public use and will be used only for parts:

Asset	Description	Donated	Disposal
8338	1984 Ford Truck	4-2000	scrap

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to delete from Fire District No. 3 Asset/Inventory List the following, which was a duplicate entry:

Asset	Description	Disposal
6730	0.59 acres on Tioga Rd	Duplicate entry

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to concur with the report of the Bayou Boeuf Advisory Committee to be presented at the Regular Legislative Session. On vote the motion carried.

After unanimous vote the following items were placed on the agenda:

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to delete from the Highway Department Asset/Inventory Program the following asset:

Asset	Description	Acquired	Disposal
6125	John Deere Dozier	1-9-92	scrap for parts

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to accept the resignation of Mr. Richard Billings from the Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial 2003 Committee of Central Louisiana, waive the thirty day announcement rule and appoint Mr. Joe Fuller to serve as the Police Jury's representative. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Boy Scouts of America for contribution in the amount of \$2,500, being \$1,250 each from Economic Development District D Funds and from Economic Development District F Funds in the General Fund, contingent upon approval of the Attorney General, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Central Louisiana Juneteenth Association for contribution in the amount of \$2,500 for

sponsorship of the seventh annual Juneteenth Celebration from Economic Development District D Funds in the General Fund, contingent upon legal approval, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to enter into a contract between the Police Jury and Fire Protection District No. 7 and Ruby-Kolin Volunteer Fire Association, as approved by Legal Counsel. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize an application to Red River Delta Law enforcement for a continuation grant for the "Truancy Assessment and Services Program" and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize Mr. E. J. Gunter, 685 Elmer Road, Elmer, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certification. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to delete from Fire District No. 2 Asset/Inventory List the following asset number, which was land taken by the I-49 Functional Replacement Property by the State of Louisiana in 1989:

Asset	Description	Acquired
4975	Willow Glen/I-49	12-20-74

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to enter into a Fire Service Agreement with the Town of Forest Hill to provide fire protection outside of the municipality for a three year period, with option to renew for an additional three years, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1816 Contract Hauling Pit Run in Rapides Parish (annual contract) to the sole bidder Tommy Russell Trucking in the amount of \$0.14 per yard mile, as recommended by the Public Works Director, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1824 Furnishing and Hauling Pit Run (Wards 9, 10 and 11) to the sole bidder Sammy Wiggins for the following areas: zone 1 at \$6.39/yard; Zone 2 at \$5.93 per yard and Zone 3 at \$7.45 per yard, as recommended by the Public Works Director, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to reimburse the expenses of Mr. James Turnage who attended the Twin Valley RC&D meeting in Natchitoches on March 26, 2002, to be paid out of the General Fund. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to reject Bid No. 1817 Rigolette Road Project (District A), change the plans and specifications, and authorize to readvertise for bids, as recommended by the Public Works Director, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to grant a pay increase of \$0.25 per hour to Firefighter/Operator Don D. Dupree, effective April 1, 2002, in accordance with the adopted pay scale of Fire Protection District No. 3, as recommended by the Alpine Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the President to sign an act of exchange transferring a 0.86 acre tract of land located in Section 86, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Rapides Parish, to Sandra Andries Thiels and Sandra Andries Thiels transferring a 1.5 acre tract fronting on Highway 28 West to the Rapides Parish Police Jury. The properties have been appraised and have equal value. Subject to the approval of Legal Counsel. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve OEWD and WOD Department Heads signing Individual Training Agreements with LDOL eligible and WIB recommended training providers for WIA Title I participants. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve purchase of eleven laptop computers and one laser printer for WIA Youth Technology project, to be paid out of WIA 10% Funds. On vote the motion carried.

After unanimous vote the following item was placed on the agenda:

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve to request from each Juror to arrange a One-Stop Meeting in their District so the One-Stop staff can inform their communities of the services available at the One-Stop Center. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to conditionally approve the following WIA

youth service providers pending WIB approval and contract negotiations: North Louisiana Goodwill Industries, Volunteers of America, Walk by Faith, Louisiana Psychological Services, and Military Education and Training Enhancement Fund Inc. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to request the Public Works Director to raise a spring head up 2 to 3 inches and repair Adams Path a distance of about 50 feet, to be paid out of the Road & Bridge Fund. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to build up Palmer Chappel Road by 2 to 3 feet over a culvert to alleviate flooding, to be paid out of the Road & Bridge Fund. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, the following proclamation was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

PROCLAMATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby proclaim April 14-20, as NATIONAL LAB WEEK in Rapides Parish.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this 8th day of April, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Richard Nunnally, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to go into Executive Session to discuss the pending litigation of Rapides Parish Police Jury vs. Grant Parish Police Jury, et al, 9th JDC Civil Suit No. 198,375; Grant Parish Police Jury vs. Rapides Parish Police Jury, 35th JDC Civil Suit 13,569; and Marler Ford Co. Inc. et al vs. Rapides Tax Assessor, et al, 9th JDC Civil Suit No. 190,788, on the parish boundary. On vote the motion unanimously carried at 3:40 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Myron Lawson, that the meeting be called back to open session. On vote the motion carried at 4:24 p.m.

The President asked if there was any public comment on any agenda item, to which there was no response.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Myron Lawson, that there being no further business, the meeting be declared adjourned. On vote the motion carried at 4:25 p.m.

Angie Richmond, Secretary Bubba Moreau, President
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