

## RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY

### REGULAR SESSION

June 9, 2003

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, June 9, 2003, at three (3:00) o'clock p.m. (Central Standard Time).

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

Absent was Police Juror Richard L. Nunnally.

Also present were Mr. Tim Ware, Treasurer; Mr. Eric S. Duck, Public Works Director; Ms. Donna Andries, Sales Tax Administrator; Ms. Jan Haworth, OEWD Director; Mr. Felix Mouton, WIA Operations Director; Mr. Robert Barr, Courthouse Building Superintendent; Chief David Peart, Fire District No. 2; Ms. Candy Saucier, Civil Service Director; Mr. Tom Wells, Legal Counsel; and Ms. Angie Richmond, Secretary.

The invocation was given by Mr. Scott Perry.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Don Wilmore.

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

On motion by Mr. Don Wilmore, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on May 12, 2003, as published in the Official Journal. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Don Wilmore, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, that approved bills be paid. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Don Wilmore, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to accept the Treasurer's Report. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Reed laid over the appointment to the Ruby-Wise Recreation District to fill the vacancy in an unexpired term created by the death of the late Eddie Cannon, term will expire on February 18, 2006.

Mr. Fountaine laid over the appointment to the Board on the Code of Ethics for one year term to fill the expired term of Rev. Frank Mattox, term expired on December 10, 2002.

On motion by Mr. Ezra Reed, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to acknowledge Mr. Jason Cannon as department elected to the Fire District No. 7 Civil Service Board for a three year term, term will expire on February 7, 2006. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Fuller laid over the appointment to the Rapides Area Planning Commission for a five year term to fill the expired term of Mr. Jim Smolenski, term expired on February 12, 2003.

Mr. Wilmore laid over the appointment to the Ward 7 Recreation District for a five year term to fill the expired term of Mr. Edward Thomas, term expired on April 13, 2003.

On motion by Mr. Ezra Reed, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to reappoint Mr. John Voorhies to Waterworks District No. 11A Board for a five year term, term will expire on July 13, 2008. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Theodore Fountaine, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller and Mr. Scott Perry, to reappoint Mr. Wardell Ballentine to the Coliseum Authority, representing District D, for a five year term, term will expire on July 16, 2008. On vote the motion carried.

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

Fire District No. 2 Civil Service Board for three year term to fill expiring term of Chief George C. Tynes, representing Rapides Parish Police Jury, term will expire on July 29, 2003;

Lecompte Area Recreation District for five year term to fill expiring term of Mr. Melford Jones, term will expire on August 9, 2003;

Board on the Code of Ethics for one year term to fill expiring term of Mr. Harold "Happy" Elliott, term will expire on August 14, 2003; and

Civil Service Board for five year term to fill the expiring term of Mr. Jerry Johnson, employee elected, term will expire on August 17, 2003.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to waive the thirty day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Melford Jones to the Lecompte Area Recreation District for a five year term, term will expire on August 9, 2008. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to waive the thirty day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Harold "Happy" Elliott to the Board on the Code of Ethics for one year term, term will expire on August 14, 2004. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Theodore Fountaine, to waive the thirty day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. Darren K. Sigur to the Alexandria/Pineville Area Convention Bureau, representing Coliseum Management, for one year term, term will expire on August 13, 2004. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to accept the resignation of Mr. David W. Michiels from the AICUZ Board of Appeals, representing the Chamber of Commerce; waive the 30 day announcement rule and appoint Mr. Chuck Saucier to fill the vacancy in the unexpired term, as nominated by the Chamber of Commerce, term will expire on July 24, 2005. On vote the motion carried.

The next agenda item was a motion to waive the thirty day announcement rule and appoint Mr. Bart Schmolke to the Fire District No. 2 Civil Service Board for a three year term, representing the Rapides Parish Police Jury, effective July 30, 2003.

Substitute motion by Mr. Don Wilmore to reappoint Chief George C. Tynes to the Fire District No. 2 Civil Service Board.

Substitute motion died for lack of a second.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to waive the thirty day announcement rule and appoint Mr. Bart Schmolke to the Fire District No. 2 Civil Service Board for a three year term, representing the Rapides Parish Police Jury, effective July 30, 2003, term will expire on July 29, 2006. On vote the motion carried. Mr. Don Wilmore objected.

On motion by Mr. Don Wilmore, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize Bobbie Pace, 7 Bath House Road, Boyce, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certification. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize Lucy Wells, Highway 121, Hineston, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certification. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize Mollie Doyle, Lonzie Doyle Road, Pitkin, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certification. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Glenmora for forty hours of inmate labor to build head wall on Baillio Loop and Evangeline Road and to clean ditches within corporate limits as requested by the Town, to be paid out of Road District No. 1A Funds (town's portion, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to accept for Parish maintenance an extension of Downs Lane, approximately 300 feet, as recommended by the Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Cheneyville for 40 hours of ditching within corporate limits, as requested by the Town, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, that the Parish Highway Department clean Flat Bayou, to be paid out of Road District No. 36 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize to advertise for bids to improve, either reseal or overlay, Dixie Lane from Turtle Bend to the end. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, the following resolution was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Rapides Parish Police Jury that HB 314 has been introduced in the 2003 Regular Louisiana Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, HB 314 proposes to add an additional meeting notice requirement for public meetings, that all public bodies except the legislature that have the capability to send e-mail must, in addition to current notice provisions of LARS 42:7, make bona fide attempt to e-mail notice of each person of any age, anywhere in the world, who has made a request; and

WHEREAS, violation of the additional requirement include acts being voided,, \$100 penalties against members, and attorney fees and costs of litigation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed definition of capability means the public bodies possess a computer and has the ability and personnel to transmit e-mail to persons outside its computer network; and

WHEREAS, the administrative office of the Rapides Parish Police Jury has been on a computer network since 1988, being an IBM AS 400 mainframe, which does not have the capability to access the Internet; and,

WHEREAS, the mainframe serves the Rapides Parish Courthouse, including the Clerk of Court, District Attorney, Judges, Sheriff, Rapides Parish Police Jury and related Courthouse departments; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 a personal computer was installed in the administrative office to give the Rapides Parish Police Jury the capability to access the Internet; and

WHEREAS, technology has not stabilized to a common standard, documents are being generated in various programs, including WordPerfect, MS Work, MS-DOS, DCA-RFT, Adobe sometimes can not be handled by prior versions of these same programs; and

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury has established a basic web site on the Internet, to which meeting agendas are posted at least 24 hours in advance, available to any person in the world who has Internet access; and

WHEREAS, such posting is a duplicate effort being done, not from the mainframe, but voluntarily by the Rapides Parish Police Jury to better inform its citizens of its agenda and minutes of its meetings; and

WHEREAS, LARS 42:7 requires prior written notice of meetings to its members and most of the members of the Rapides Parish Police Jury do not have e-mail capability, which means that meeting notices must continue to be mailed through the postal mail system; and

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury does not have an IT technology department or employees who are computer specialists to design and implement everchanging computer technology; and

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury does not presently have the ability to establish a mass e-mailing list; and

WHEREAS, e-mail addresses are not stable, users change internet providers for better internet service, cost consideration, spam glut or other reasons, as opposed to an address to a physical location, and efforts to maintain a current e-mail list would require additional effort by staff; and

WHEREAS, implementation of meeting the requirements of this legislation would require serious and substantial funding by the Rapides Parish Police Jury, which funding is not available when there are other projects which carry a higher priority, such as mosquito control, drainage improvements, maintenance of deteriorating public buildings, water systems, sewer collection systems, items of public health and safety, for which funds are not currently available; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of HB 314 is an unfunded mandate on local government for which the funds are not available and the Legislature is not proposing to provide funding for purchase, installation and maintenance of hardware and software or computer consultants to implement the mandate; and

WHEREAS, such expenditure could also mandate a technology change that would not benefit the Rapides Parish Police Jury;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does strongly oppose House Bill 314 of the Regular Legislative Session in behalf of the Rapides parish Police Jury.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury urges our Legislative Delegation to oppose House Bill 314 of the 2003 Regular Legislative Session in behalf of the Rapides Parish Police Jury.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Police Jury Association of Louisiana asking for their support.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this 9th day of June, 2003.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to accept the Secretary's Report. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to name the "Alexandria Daily Town Talk" as the Official Journal for one year period ending June 30, 2004. On vote the motion carried.

The next agenda item was to discuss supporting the concept of a "shared flat tax" involving all municipalities, the Rapides Parish School Board and the Rapides Parish Police Jury, and asking the Legislature to pass a local bill creating a special taxing district with the authority to call a local sales tax not to exceed 4%. Mr. Fuller said there has been a lot of discussion; he felt it would be beneficial to the Parish to not take action at this time, but to look at it later.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, Mr. Ezra Reed and Mr. Scott Perry, to pull from the agenda the concept of a "shared flat tax". On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize an application to the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement for a continuation grant in the amount of \$6,377.00, local match of \$3,143.00, for the "Truancy Assessment and Services Program" for a four month extension to January 31, 2004, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to ratify authorization for the Vice President to sign the Letter of Commitment/Agreement with the Governor's Office of Rural Development for the Parish Road Repair Grant, No. 0203-PRR-RPD-0001, in the amount of \$192,528.79. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to ratify authorization for the Vice President to sign the Letter of Commitment/Agreement with the Governor's Office of Rural Development for Sewer Grant, No. 0203-RPD-0002, in the amount of \$100,000. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to commend Mr. Tim Ware, Treasurer, on his election as President of the Bolton High School Bruin Club. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Perry introduced the next agenda item to discuss with the Consultant Administrator and the Consultant Engineer the recommendation to withdraw the authorization to advertise for bids on the Kelleyland Sewer Project until such time as all rights-of-way have been obtained.

Mr. Glenn Turner, the Consultant Project Engineer from Meyer, Meyer, LaCroix and Hixson, advised they have temporarily withdrawn the bid advertisement for construction due to unforeseen problems in ensuring that necessary land rights-of-ways have been acquired, a process that would require a two or three month delay.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to temporarily delay the opening of construction bids for the Kelleyland Sewer Project, as recommended by the Consultant Architect and Consultant Engineer. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Theodore Fountaine, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to accept the proposal of the Pineville City Marshal, to be paid out of the General Fund. on vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to receive a recommendation from Legal Counsel for amendments to the litter laws. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to amend the Courthouse budget to transfer monies from the Courthouse Security line item to waterproofing the Courthouse line item. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to grant approval to River Oaks Estate, on the corner of Rigolette Road and Davenport Road, the developer is posting a bond until road improvements are complete, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission, subject to approval of Legal Counsel, and authorize signing of the plat. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to grant approval to Pine Grove Subdivision, at the intersection of LA 454 and 107, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission, subject to approval of Legal Counsel, and authorize signing of the plat. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to grant approval to Sasser Road Subdivision, off the Morris Sasser Road, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission, subject to approval of Legal Counsel, and authorize signing of the plat. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Sewer District No. 2 for the Parish Highway Department to improve the road to the sewer treatment plant in Timber Trails, as requested by the Sewer District, the Sewer District to pay for the materials, the labor to be paid out Road District No. 10A Funds, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

The following resolution was offered by Steve P. Bordelon and seconded by Joe Fuller:

#### RESOLUTION

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of a special tax 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 Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), 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 District on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2003, 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 proposition, to-wit:

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 11 (SPRING CREEK)  
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)

SUMMARY: AUTHORITY TO LEVY A 30 MILLS TAX FOR A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS, FOR CONSTRUCTING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING FIRE PROTECTION FACILITIES AND PAYING THE COSTS OF OBTAINING WATER FOR FIRE PROTECTION PURPOSES IN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 11.

Shall Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, levy a special tax of thirty (30) mills on all property subject to taxation in said District for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2005 and ending with the year 2014, for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining fire protection facilities and paying the costs of obtaining water for fire protection purposes?

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 District, published in Alexandria, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the District, 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 13, 2003, 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 result 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 13, 2003, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the District 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 tax 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: Richard W. Billings, Ezra L. Reed, Davron Bubba Moreau, Steve P. Bordelon,  
Theodore Fountaine, Jr., Donald H. Wilmore, Joe Fuller and Scott Perry, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Richard L. Nunnally.  
And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2003.

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 Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), on June 9, 2003, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the District on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2003, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the District 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 proposition, to-wit:

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 11 (SPRING CREEK)  
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)

SUMMARY: AUTHORITY TO LEVY A 30 MILLS TAX FOR A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS, FOR CONSTRUCTING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING FIRE PROTECTION FACILITIES AND PAYING THE COSTS OF OBTAINING WATER FOR FIRE PROTECTION PURPOSES IN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 11.

Shall Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, levy a special tax of thirty (30) mills on all property subject to taxation in said District for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2005 and ending with the year 2014, for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining fire protection facilities and paying the costs of obtaining water for fire protection purposes?

The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the District, 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
S10AK	(PART OF) Oak Hill School, 7362 Hwy. 112, Hineston
S10LZ	(PART OF) Oak Hill School, 7362 Hwy. 112, Hineston
S22	(PART OF) Forest Hill Elementary, 2032 10th Street, Forest Hill
S26	Glenmora Volunteer Fire Station, 817 10th Avenue, Glenmora

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 13, 2003, 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 result of the said special election. All

registered voters of the District are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Alexandria, Louisiana, on this, the 9th day of June, 2003.

The following resolution was offered by Steve P. Bordelon and seconded by Joe Fuller:

RESOLUTION

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Service Area No. 1 of Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of a special tax 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 Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), 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 Service Area No. 1 of the District (the Service Area) on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2003, 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 proposition, to-wit:

SERVICE AREA NO. 1 OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 11 (SPRING CREEK)  
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)

SUMMARY: AUTHORITY TO LEVY A 30 MILLS TAX FOR A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS, FOR CONSTRUCTING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING FIRE PROTECTION FACILITIES AND PAYING THE COSTS OF OBTAINING WATER FOR FIRE PROTECTION PURPOSES IN SERVICE AREA NO. 1 OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 11.

Shall Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, levy a special tax of thirty (30) mills on all property subject to taxation in Service Area No. 1 for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2005 and ending with the year 2014, for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining fire protection facilities and paying the costs of obtaining water for fire protection purposes?

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 Service Area, published in Alexandria, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the Service Area, 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 13, 2003, 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 result 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 13, 2003, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the Service Area 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 tax 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: Richard W. Billings, Ezra L. Reed, Davron Bubba Moreau, Steve P. Bordelon,  
Theodore Fountaine, Jr., Donald H. Wilmore, Joe Fuller and Scott Perry, Jr.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Richard L. Nunnally.  
And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 9th day of June, 2003.

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 Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), on June 9, 2003, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within Service Area No. 1 of the District (the Service Area) on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2003, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Service Area 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 proposition, to-wit:

SERVICE AREA NO. 1 OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 11 (SPRING CREEK)  
(MILLAGE RENEWAL)

SUMMARY: AUTHORITY TO LEVY A 30 MILLS TAX FOR A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS, FOR CONSTRUCTING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING FIRE PROTECTION FACILITIES AND PAYING THE COSTS OF OBTAINING WATER FOR FIRE PROTECTION PURPOSES IN SERVICE AREA NO. 1 OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 11.

Shall Fire Protection District No. 11 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, levy a special tax of thirty (30) mills on all property subject to taxation in Service Area No. 1 for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2005 and ending with the year 2014, for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining fire protection facilities and paying the costs of obtaining water for fire protection purposes?

The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the Service Area, 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
S10AK	(PART OF) Oak Hill School, 7362 Hwy. 112, Hineston
S10LZ	(PART OF) Oak Hill School, 7362 Hwy. 112, Hineston
S22	(PART OF) Forest Hill Elementary, 2032 10th Street, Forest Hill
S26	Glenmora Volunteer Fire Station, 817 10th Avenue, Glenmora

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 13, 2003, 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 result of the said special election. All registered voters of the Service Area are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Alexandria, Louisiana, on this, the 9th day of June, 2003.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, the following resolution was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby support the FY 2004-2005 LCDBG Public Facilities Fire Protection Grant application by the Village of Forest Hill for construction of two new fire stations and purchase of a new pumper/tanker truck,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution is to be sent to our Louisiana Legislative Delegation.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this 9th day of June, 2003.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize Legal Counsel to take action on timber illegally cut within the vertical take on Indian Creek, damages be estimated, the cost of damages be recovered and the funds be used to reforest the damaged area on Indian Creek, that advice of the illegal activity be given to the Indian Creek Advisory Committee, Cotile Advisory Committee, and Kincaid Advisory Committee. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize to advertise for bids to lease/purchase one new pumper for Fire Protection District No. 5, as recommended by the Oak Hill Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors, to be paid from Fire Protection District No. 5 Funds as budgeted. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to receive the required report from Acadian Ambulance under the Contract for April 2003:

Response Zone	Number Responses	Required %	Compliance %
Alexandria - 8 minute	348	80%	92.53%
Pineville - 8 minute	104	80%	93.27%
Rapides - 12 minute	131	80%	93.13%
Rapides - 20 minute	122	80%	90.16%

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize the filling of the position of Resource Coordinator, Range 18, at OEWD as recommended by the OEWD Director with concurrence of the WIB Chair. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to retain Mr. David Cook for EEO investigation, as approved by the District Attorney, to be paid out of the General Fund in an amount not to exceed \$2,000. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize the President to sign letter of intent and/or contractual agreement with Rapides Parish LWIA #61 Youth Service providers recommended by the Rapides Parish Youth Council and approved by the Rapides Parish Workforce Investment Board in response to the RFP released by the WIB on March 31, 2003, and to authorize the Treasurer to amend the budget. On vote the motion carried.

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

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to hire Pan American Engineers as the engineer for the Sewer Grant, Governor's Office of Rural Development Grant No. 0203-RPD-0002, to be paid out of grant funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to receive the report of the Parish Inspector recommending the abandoned dilapidated house on overgrown lot and with inoperative vehicles at 150 Moss Point Drive, Lot 59, Bayou Grosse Park Subdivision, Section 13, T4N-R2W, Ward 8, District I, Rapides Parish, be condemned and demolished or removed, due to being in dangerous condition which endangers the public health or welfare, and it be referred to Legal Counsel for proper action. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to reimburse the expenses of Mr. James Turnage for attending the Twin Valley's RC&D meeting in Natchitoches, LA on May 20, 2003, to be paid from the General Fund. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize the President and Treasurer to sign the Arboviral Grant award by the Department of Health and Hospitals. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, the following resolution was presented and on vote unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby oppose SB 1057 (Lentini) that opens parishes to a claim to appropriate funds for the costs of a protection and relocation program for witnesses in criminal proceedings, a new unfunded mandate,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does support amendments to remove the unfunded mandate features of the bill,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution is to be sent to our Legislative Delegation and the Police Jury Association.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 9th day of June, 2003.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize the President to sign the Cooperative Endeavor agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for donation of 110 cubic yards of reclaimed asphalt pavement on LA 115, Project No. 003-04-0016, from Avoyelles Parish Line to the Jct. of LA 1207. On vote the motion carried.

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

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor for \$1,500 to the Boys and Girls Club to help them stay open, to be paid out of District D Economic Development Funds, as approved by Legal Counsel, and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Boyce for the Parish Highway Department to clean ditches and catch basins starting on the main ditch on Wexford and ending on Stewart Street, and help from inmate labor, as requested by the Town, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Forest Hill for 10 hours of slope mower and 1 man for trimming of overhanging branches on Stokes Lane in corporate limits and to patch cross drain with hot mix on Herron Road, as requested by the Village, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Fontaine introduced discussion on the agenda item to approve full-time hours for the clerical position in the Civil Service Department, Clerical Assistant III, Range 6, as requested by the Civil Service Board, contingent upon funds being available in the Civil Service budget in the General Fund and a budget amendment is not required, which was briefly discussed by the Police Jury.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to table the subject. On vote the motion carried. Mr. Scott Perry and Mr. Theodore Fontaine objected.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller, to authorize the President to sign an engagement letter with Payne, Moore and Herrington to begin our GASB 34 preparation work, to be paid from Administration Funds in the General Fund. On vote the motion carried.

The President asked if there was any public comment on any agenda item. Ms. Sonya Coleman appeared and expressed appreciation for the Police Jury's funding for the Juneteenth Celebration this year.

On motion by Mr. Don Wilmore, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, that there being no further business, the meeting be declared adjourned. On vote the motion carried at 3:29 p.m.

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Angie Richmond, Secretary  
Rapides Parish Police Jury

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Richard Billings, President  
Rapides Parish Police Jury