

RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY

REGULAR SESSION
MARCH 20, 2006

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, March 20, 2006, at three (3:00) o'clock p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Honorable Jerry P. Wood Sr., President; Richard "Butch" Lindsay, Vice President; and Police Jurors Steve P. Bordelon, Ezra L. Reed, Theodore Fontaine Jr., Donald H. Wilmore, Joe Fuller, Richard W. Billings, and Scott Perry Jr.

Also present were Mr. Tim Ware, Treasurer; Mr. Dallas Lewis, Acting Public Works Director; Ms. Donna Andries, Sales and Use Tax Director; Chief David Peart, Fire District No. 2; Mr. Robert Barr, Courthouse Building Superintendent; Mr. Thomas O. Wells, Legal Counsel; and Ms. Angie Richmond, Secretary.

The invocation was given by Mr. Richard Billings.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Ezra Reed.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the governing authority of said Parish by Hon. Jerry P. Wood Sr., President, who welcomed all present and then stated that the Police Jury was ready for the first item of business.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings and Mr. Don Wilmore, to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on February 13, 2006, and in Special Session on February 6, 2006, as published in the Official Journal. On vote the motion carried.

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

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

Mr. Bordelon laid over the appointment to the Ruby-Wise Recreation District to fill the vacancy in an expired term created by the death of the late Eddie Cannon, term expired on February 18, 2006, and for a new five year term.

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.

Mr. Billings laid over the appointment to the Gas Utility District No. 2 Board for a five year term to fill the expired term of Mr. Glenn Peterson, term expired on October 9, 2005.

On motion by Mr. Steve Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Joe Fuller and Mr. Butch Lindsay, to acknowledge the re-election of Mr. Jason Cannon to the Fire District No. 7 Civil Service Board, employee representative, for a three year term, term will expire on February 7, 2009. On vote the motion carried.

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

Wards 1 & 8 Recreation District for a five year term to fill the expiring term of Mrs. Florence Hall, term will expire on April 13, 2006; and

Waterworks District No. 3 for a five year term to fill the expiring term of Mr. Eddie O'Bannon, term will expire on May 1, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings and Mr. Don Wilmore, to recognize the Peabody High School girls' Lady Warhorses basketball team as Class 4A Semifinalist for the Sweet 16 Tournament. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings and Mr. Don Wilmore, to recognize the Peabody High School boys' Warhorses basketball team as Class 4A Semifinalist for the Top 24 Tournament. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Fuller, Mr. Wood, Mr. Fountaine and Mr. Perry presented each of the team players and coaches certificates of recognition.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to turn over to Legal Counsel the request of the Jena Band of Choctaw Indians to enter into a cooperation agreement with the Police Jury and Assessor for payment in lieu of taxes for a HUD home located at 112 Glendale Street, Pineville, for a recommendation. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Wood introduced Mr. Patrick Patin, of American Recycling LLC of Bunkie, a recycling business, who is interested in acquiring white goods from the Parish. Mr. Wood explained the company has offered to purchase white goods collected and stored at the Parish Highway Department for \$10/ton with a request of the construction of a 100' x 100' concrete slab for the portable crusher equipment.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Theodore Fountaine, that the President and Legal Counsel meet with American Recycling LLC to work out a proposed agreement for a recommendation back to the Police Jury. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to advertise for bids for road improvements in District C:
Cloverdale Drive, approximately 0.2 mile in length, Ward 10
On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to accept for Parish maintenance an extension of the Jack Monk Road, Ward 5, District H, approximately 0.2 mile in length, pending completion of the proper documents. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to request Legal Counsel to look into a policy for assistance by the Parish Highway Department to residents with storm debris removal during emergency situations and come back with a report to the Police Jury. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to ratify the purchase of the following: 1995 Ford F-800 (Stake Body) at \$10,800; 1995 Ford F-800 (Stake Body) at \$8,900 and one John Deere Backhoe at \$11,500 from the Louisiana Federal Property Assistance Agency, as recommended by the Acting Public Works Director, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent, to be paid from Road and Bridge Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize Mr. Troy Robinson, 15 Morrison Road, Hineston, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certification. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the Acting Public Works Director to hire up to 18 seasonal workers for the mowing and chip sealing crews to begin on or about April 1, 2006, to be paid out of the Road and Bridge salary line item, and to increase the pay of the seasonal workers for 2006: laborer from \$6.50/hour to \$7.00/hour and supervisors from \$7.00/hour to \$7.50/hour. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to advertise for bids for a light rescue apparatus body to be mounted on parish owned Ford F450, as recommended by the Spring Creek Volunteer Fire Association Board of Directors, to be paid from Fire District No. 11 Funds as budgeted. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to advertise for bids for Contract Hauling Pit Run (annual contract) as recommended by the Acting Public Works Director and Purchasing Agent, to be paid from Road & Bridge and various road maintenance funds as budgeted. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to award Bid No. 1970 Abandoned Railroad Tank Car Culverts (six month contract) to Hasara Cont. dba Texas Rail Car, the sole bidder for all items bid, as recommended by the Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1971 Creosote Bridge Material (annual contract) to Colfax Creosote for items 34 through 51 (FOB plant) and Kennedy Saw Mills for all items bid (delivered in truck load quantities, as recommended by the Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1969 Bituminous Mixture for Hot and Cold Application (Annual Contract) to Diamond B Construction for Hot Mix (\$39.50 per ton) and Cold Mix (\$52.00 per ton) and award D&J Construction Company for Hot Mix (\$48.50 per ton) only if not available from Diamond B Construction, 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. 1972 Various Road Materials (Gravel, Base Course Aggregates and Pit Run, Annual Contract) for items 4-10 for all items bid based on availability of material and haul distance: Luhr Brothers Inc., Tommy Russell Enterprises and E&E Construction; and authorize to readvertise items 1-3, as recommended by the Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to award Bid No. 1973 Reinforced Concrete Pipe (Annual Contract) to Rinker Materials for all items bid, as recommended by the Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to renew under option the fire services agreement with the Town of Lecompte for an additional ten years beginning April 16, 2006. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to rescind that certain motions by the Police Jury of September 2, 2005 and October 10, 2005, respectively, accepting Rebel Run and an extension of Staples Road Extension for Parish maintenance. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the installation of a dry hydrant parallel to the dock at the public boat launch on Cotile Lake for the purpose of improving water supply capabilities of Fire Protection District No. 8 and relieve pressure from the local water system, as requested by the Cotile Volunteer Fire Department, to be paid from Fire Protection District No. 8 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to ratify the approval of the disposal of broken equipment and remove it from the inventory for OEWD and WOD, as per list submitted:

Description	Serial No.	Location
Sampo Monitor	T5030120BH00295	WOD Storage
Sampo Monitor	T5930120GH00335	WOD Storage
Sampo Monitor	5930120BH00297	WOD Storage
Quick Hard Drive	020725	WOD Storage
Quick Hard Drive	005660	WOD Storage
Quick Hard Drive	020359	WOD Storage
Quick Keyboard	40562472	WOD Storage
Quick Keyboard	40562475	WOD Storage
Quick Keyboard	41770001	WOD Storage

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the President to submit a 2006 grant application for YouthBuild to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. 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.

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the 82nd Annual Convention of the Police Jury Association was held in Alexandria on March 16-18, 2006; and,

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury was host Parish for this event; and,

WHEREAS, many employees, spouses of employees, Police Jurors, and spouses of Police Jurors provided on-site support for the Convention, and,

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury wishes to recognize and commend the Parish employees and their spouses and Police Jurors and their spouses who provided support to the Convention;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby appreciation to all Rapides Parish employees and their spouses, Police Jurors and their spouses who provided planning and support to the 82nd Annual Convention of the Police Jury Association on March 16-18, 2006 in Alexandria.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Board and Staff of the Police Jury Association of Louisiana are hereby commended and congratulated for a job well done.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this 20th day of March, 2006.

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

RESOLUTION

A resolution giving preliminary approval to the issuance of not exceeding \$600,000 of Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness, of Road District No. 10A of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana; making application to the State Bond Commission for approval of the Certificates; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, Road District No. 10A of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "District"), desires to issue not exceeding Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000) of Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness (the "Certificates"), payable from the annual revenues of a ten and four hundredths (10.04) mills tax authorized to be levied and collected on all property subject to taxation in the District for the years 2006 to 2015, inclusive, which special tax was authorized at an election held in the Parish on January 17, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Certificates are to be issued for the purpose of constructing and improving public roads, highways and bridges in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Certificates will be issued under the authority of Section 742.2 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of the Tax for the 2006 tax levy are anticipated to be approximately \$607,000; and

WHEREAS, the principal of the Certificates will be payable in installments due no later than March 1, 2016, and the maximum amount of principal and interest due in any year, assuming interest at the maximum rate herein authorized, will not exceed seventy-five percent (75%) of the revenues estimated to be realized from the levy of the Tax for the calendar year in which the Certificates are issued; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to make formal application to the State Bond Commission for approval of the aforesaid certificates, and further to employ special bond counsel in connection therewith;

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

SECTION 1. Preliminary Approval of Certificates. Preliminary approval is hereby given to the issuance of not to exceed Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000) of Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness, of Road District No. 10A of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana (the "Certificates"), to be issued for the purpose of constructing and improving public roads, highways and bridges in the District, and paying costs of issuance. The Certificates are to be secured by and payable from a pledge and dedication of the annual revenues of the ten and four hundredths (10.04) mills tax authorized in the District for the years 2006 to 2015, inclusive, pursuant to an election held on January 17, 2004. The Certificates shall bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed six percent (6%R) per annum, to be determined by subsequent resolution at the time of the sale thereof, and shall mature in installments due no later than March 1, 2016. The Certificates shall be issued in the form of fully registered certificates, shall be sold the purchasers thereof at a price of not less than par, plus accrued interest, and shall have such additional terms and provisions as may be determined by subsequent resolution of this governing authority.

SECTION 2. Employment of Bond Counsel. The governing authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special bond counsel in connection with the issuance of the Certificates, and accordingly Adams and Reese LLP, of New Orleans, Louisiana, and Gold, Weems, Bruser, Sues & Rundell, APLC, of Alexandria, Louisiana, are hereby employed as special Co-Bond Counsel to the District to do and perform comprehensive legal and co-ordinate professional work with respect to the issuance and sale of the Certificates. Said Co-Bond Counsel shall prepare and submit to this governing authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Certificates, shall counsel and advise this governing authority as to the issuance and sale thereof, and shall furnish their opinion covering the legality of the issuance thereof. The fee of Co-Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of the Certificates is hereby fixed at a sum not to exceed the fees provided by the Attorney General's Guideline for Fees and Services of Bond Attorneys for comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work in the issuance of revenue bonds, said fee to be payable solely out of funds derived from the sale of the Certificates and to be contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery thereof. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his written approval of said employment and of the fees herein designated, and the Treasurer of this governing authority is hereby empowered and directed to issue vouchers to said special counsel in payment of the fees herein provided for under the conditions herein enumerated.

SECTION 3. Application to the State Bond Commission. Application is hereby made to the State Bond Commission for approval of the issuance and sale of the Certificates and Co-Bond Counsel are directed to make application to the State Bond Commission in accordance with the foregoing on behalf of the District.

SECTION 4. Declaration of Official Intent Under Reg. 1.150-2. Prior to the delivery of the Certificates, the District anticipates that it may pay a portion of the costs of the project from its General Fund. The project includes specifically constructing and improving public roads, highways and bridges in the District. Upon the issuance of the Certificates, the District reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditure of other available funds from a portion of the proceeds of the Certificates. Any such allocation of proceeds of the Certificates for reimbursement will be with respect to capital expenditures (as defined in Reg. 1.1509-1(b)) and will be made upon the delivery of the Certificates and not later than one year after the later of (i) the date such expenditure was paid or (ii) the date of which the project was placed in service. This Section is intended to be a declaration of official intent within the meaning of Treasury Reg. 1.150-2.

SECTION 5. Solicitation of Proposals. The Parish Treasurer, with the assistance of Co-Bond Counsel, is authorized to solicit proposals for the purchase of the Certificates, and to present same to this governing authority at its next regular monthly meeting.

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

YEAS: Jerry P. Wood Sr. Richard "Butch" Lindsay, Steve P. Bordelon, Ezra L. Reed, Theodore Fountaine Jr., Donald H. Wilmore, Joe Fuller, Richard W. Billings, and Scott Perry Jr.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 20th day of March, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to advertise for bids for miscellaneous office supplies for the inventory room (annual contract), as recommended by the Purchasing Department, to be charged out to miscellaneous funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve the following auction items:

Highway Dept.

Asset	Description	Acquired	Disposal
4440	1981 Intl Dump Truck	7/21/82	sold
4452	1981 Intl S Series	7/21/81	sold
4521	1969 Intl Tractor	9/30/69	sold
5202	1988 Case Backhoe	5/18/88	sold
5206	1988 Chev Crew Cab	5/18/88	sold
5490	1988 Chev Truck	8/2/88	sold
6026	1982 Chev Truck	8/10/82	sold
6284	1982 GMC Sierra	6/24/92	sold
6285	1992 GMC Truck	6/15/92	sold
6753	1994 Dodge Van	5/24/94	sold

9418	1989 Intl D-Truck	3/13/03	sold
9251	1994 Ford Taurus	6/18/02	sold
8742	a/c unit	4/24/01	sold
7667	a/c unit	7/7/97	sold

Sales Tax

9548	Lexmark printer	3/27/03	sold
7843	burster	2/9/98	sold
7845	printer	1/27/98	sold
8402	computer	12/23/99	sold
7805	Think Pad computer	7/18/97	sold

Administration/Accounting

7856	computer tower	2/26/98	sold
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Fire District 7

6156	tank mounted on unit 76	11/7/91	**sold
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to Effie Fire Department, not deleted when truck sold

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to refer the proposal of the American Red Cross to the Coliseum Authority for a recommendation back to the Police Jury. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, the following resolution was presented, subject to approval of Legal Counsel, and on vote unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Central Louisiana Chapter of the American Red Cross is based in Rapides Parish; and,

WHEREAS, the Central Louisiana Chapter of the American Red Cross was a major emergency response agency in the disasters of Hurricane Katrina and Rita; and,

WHEREAS, the Central Louisiana Chapter of the American Red Cross has identified its needs in the post-disaster, as sheltering, a warehouse and retrofitting of the existing shelter, and now seeks funding to address those needs; and,

WHEREAS, the Central Louisiana Chapter of the American Red Cross has an opportunity to pursue funding for the front line shelter project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby support the grant application of the Central Louisiana Chapter of the American Red Cross.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this 20th day of March, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the President to sign Change Order No. 1 for the LCDBG Union Tank Car Project in the amount of \$685 to provide and install a 4' x 8' metal frame project sign. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve the FEMA travel trailer to be located at 204 Nation Road, Deville, as approved by the Health Department. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to adopt a Notice of Intention of Sale of the property and building located at 1200 Texas Avenue (former Health Unit Building), and on vote unanimously adopted:

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury has ownership of a certain piece, parcel or tract of land being, lying and situated in the City of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, located at 1200 Texas Avenue, commence at a point common to the Western Right of Way Line of Texas Avenue and Southern Right of Way Line of Rosalino Street, proceed from said point along the Western Right of Way Line, South 18 Degrees 50 Minutes 42 Seconds East a distance of 412.52 feet to a one-half (1/2") iron rod lying at the Northeast (NE) Corner of Lot 11, Giamanco Heights Subdivision, proceed South 71 Degrees 09 Minutes 18 Seconds West a distance of 292.66 feet to a one-half inch (1/2") iron rod, thence proceed North 18 Degrees 50 Minutes 08 Seconds West a distance of 172.50 feet to a three-quarters inch (3/4") iron pipe,

thence proceed North 18 Degrees 48 Minutes 46 Seconds West a distance of 240.02 feet to a one-half inch (1/2") iron rod lying on the Southern Right of Way Line of Rosalino Street, thence proceed along the South Right of Way Line of Rosalino Street North 71 Degrees 09 Minutes 18 Seconds East a distance of 292.50 feet back to the point of beginning, said closed traverse containing 2.771 acres more or less and more particularly shown on a plat of survey by Frank L. Willis, registered professional land surveyor dated May 23, 2005; and

WHEREAS, this property is not needed for public purposes, and it has become desirable to sell this property; and

WHEREAS, under the authority of R.S. 33:4712, the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby fix the amount of this property to be sold at not less than one hundred eighty-five thousand eight hundred (\$185,800) dollars as recommended by the Appraiser authorized by this Police Jury on March 20, 2006, and the terms of this sale are to be cash, to the highest bidder;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rapides Parish Police Jury, in regular session convened, to offer for sale by public bid 1200 Texas Avenue, situated in the City of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, in Section 33, Township 4 North (T4N), Range 1 West (R1W), Rapides Parish, Louisiana and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this ordinance be published three times in fifteen days, namely, March 21, March 26, and March 30, 2006, for public review and comment and that if no opposition is received by April 5, 2006, this ordinance will be adopted on April 10, 2006 and said property will be offered for sale by public bid, to be sold on June 12, 2006.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this ordinance shall become effective April 20, 2006.

The next agenda item was a motion to grant approval to place 39 FEMA travel trailers at Crossroads Mobile Estates, Praet Avenue, Alexandria, with upgrades as presented.

On substitute motion by Mr. Butch Lindsay, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to reject this motion as read.

A roll call vote was called on the motion and was as follows:

YES	NO
Jerry Wood	Theodore Fountaine
Butch Lindsay	Joe Fuller
Steve Bordelon	Scott Perry
Ezra Reed	
Don Wilmore	
Richard Billings	

On roll call vote the substitute motion carried 6-3.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to grant waiver of the insurance requirement for a sewer discharge permit application at 2814 LaSalle Street as recommended by the Acting Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve the sewer discharge permit application at 8 Van Mol Drive requested by Ms. Gwendolyn Cormier, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve two FEMA travel trailers to be located at 1517 Dupree Street, as approved by the Health Department. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to remove and replace the Courthouse parking control equipment at a price not to exceed \$26,500 to be paid from the Parking Fund, as recommended by the Treasurer and Building Superintendent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, the following resolution was presented, as recommended by the Executive Director of the Rapides Parish Office of Homeland Security - Emergency Preparedness, and on vote unanimously adopted:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
PARISH-WIDE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury has received grant funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, through the Louisiana Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, for the preparation of a hazard mitigation plan; and,

WHEREAS, our community has participated in the process to prepare a DMA compliant Hazard Mitigation Plan based on the FEMA guidance available in the How to Guides; and,

WHEREAS, our community wishes to participate in the Hazard Mitigation Plan prepared by the Rapides Parish government under the oversight of a Steering Committee comprised of Parish-wide representatives; and,

WHEREAS, Rapides Parish and local city representatives and governments have participated in the mitigation planning process; and,

WHEREAS, appropriate opportunity for input by public and community officials has been provided through press releases, open meetings and availability of draft documents; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan has been recommended for adoption by the Steering Committee; and,

WHEREAS, adoption of the Plan is required prior to further consideration for FEMA funding under the following programs:

Pre-Disaster Mitigation
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
Flood Mitigation Assistance Program

THEREFORE, the Rapides Parish Police Jury hereby adopts the Rapides Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan on 20th day of March, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to rent two parking spaces in the Courthouse Auxiliary Parking Lot to the Rapides Parish Registrar of Voters at the same rate as paid in the Courthouse Parking Facility. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Town of Lecompte for the Parish Highway Department to provide equipment and labor with digging out ditches to alleviate drainage problems, to be paid out of Road District No. 3 (town's portion). On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize Legal Counsel to take appropriate action to assign the Police Jury's rights in the suit of Jimmy and Ava Guinn vs. Rapides Parish Police Jury, Civil Suite No. 119786, in favor of Mr. Guinn in exchange for reduction of judgement as recommended by Legal Counsel. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the purchase of a laptop for Legal Counsel under State Contract, to be paid out of Road & Bridge Fund Legal Counsel. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to receive the required report from Acadian Ambulance under the Contract for January 2006:

Response Zone	Number Responses	Required %	Compliance %
Alexandria - 8 minute	359	80%	94.71%
Pineville - 8 minute	104	80%	98.06%
Rapides - 12 minute	137	80%	98.54%
Rapides - 20 minute	127	80%	95.85%

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve the increase in hours and the funding necessary for the temporary appointment of Ms. Margie Freeman as Interim Civil Service Director, retroactive to February 21, 2006. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to delay the request for a pay increase to be granted to the Secretary of Legal Counsel and amend the District Attorney's budget accordingly, until July 1 to be brought back for the budget hearings. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to appoint Mr. Greg Alwell from Area Coordinator to Acting Public Works Director with an increase in pay of \$1,000 per month and to temporarily appoint _____ from Equipment Operator II to Area Coordinator with pay increase to be in accordance with Civil Service Promotion Rules effective March 20, 2006, as recommended by the Public Works Director Search Committee. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize advertisement to fill the vacancy in Public Works Director/Parish Engineer through the "The Town Talk" with advertisement on March 26th, April 2nd and April 9th, with a deadline of April 21st, as recommended by the Public Works Director Search Committee. On vote the motion carried.

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

Ms. Joannell Wilson, Registrar of Voters, gave an update on satellite voting for displaced voters of Orleans Parish to be held in Alexandria. She advised that Rapides Parish was one of the ten parishes handling early voting in person at the Registrar of Voters Office of registered voters displaced by Hurricane Katrina or Rita, alternate voting procedures include absentee ballot or in person at precinct in which registered.

Mr. Greg Whittington, of Meyer Meyer Hixson & LaCroix gave an update on the Kelleyland Sewer Project.

On motion by Mr. Joe Fuller, seconded by Mr. Richard Billings, to authorize the President, the Treasurer and the Police Juror representing the Kelleyland Subdivision area to make an inspection after notification given from Meyer Meyer Hixson & LaCroix that the Sewer Project was ready for inspection so that substantial completion may be issued and the contractor can be paid his retainage. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to waive the thirty day announcement rule and appoint Mr. Don Holloway to the Gravity Drainage District No. 1 to fill the vacancy in the unexpired term created by the death of the late Mr. Wilburn Smith, term will expire on December 10, 2008. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve the FEMA travel trailer to be located at 30 Squyres Road, Melder, known as the 4B Ranch, as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission, and approved by the Health Department. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve the modification of the Cenla Taxi transportation contract to add additional National Emergency Grant-Phase II funds and to authorize the Treasurer to amend the budget as needed. 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 grant a waiver of the insurance requirement for a sewer discharge permit application at 127 Edwards Drive (Tioga) for Mr. Garland Lemmons, as approved by the Louisiana Department of Health, contingent upon approval of the Planning Commission, and as recommended by the Acting Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to grant a waiver of the insurance requirement for a sewer discharge permit application at 106 Donna Drive (Tioga) for Marion Simpson, as approved by the Louisiana Department of Health, contingent upon approval of the Planning Commission, and as recommended by the Acting Public Works Director. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to approve the Plantation Mobile Home Park as a subdivision as recommended by the Rapides Area Planning Commission. On vote the motion carried.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby oppose House Bill 629 of the 2006 Regular Session providing for 1-1/2 term limitation of certain elected officials (city, parish or public school board) sponsored by Representative Israel Curtis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to our Louisiana Legislative Delegation and the Police Jury Association of Louisiana asking they oppose House Bill 629.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on the 20th day of March, 2006.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rapides Parish Police Jury does hereby oppose House Bill 630 of the 2006 Regular Session providing the office of Registrar of Voters in Rapides Parish only be elected instead of appointed, which is being sponsored by Representative Israel Curtis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to our Louisiana Legislative Delegation and the Police Jury Association of Louisiana asking they oppose House Bill 630.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on the 20th day of March, 2006.

The next agenda item was to receive an update from Legal Counsel on the proposed land swap with the City of Alexandria of the property on Johnston Street for the property on Jackson Street. Mr. Thomas O. Wells, Legal Counsel, advised he had spoken with Legal Counsel for the City of Alexandria who advised the matter was pending before the Alexandria City Council.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the working hours of the Parish Highway Department to change from five eight-hour/day work week for four ten-hour/day work week effective April 3, 2006 until the end of daylight savings time - October 29, 2006. On vote the motion carried.

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Plainview Volunteer Fire Association have recommended the Rapides Parish Police Jury acquire an additional tract of land for the purpose of a fire station and fire training site; and,

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury on January 9, 2006, authorized the purchase of an 8.117 acre tract on the corner of LA 112 and Dolly Paul Road/Willis Flat Road, located in Section 27 T1S-R4W, for the purpose of a fire station and fire training site in the amount of \$20,144.10 (sale amount less than appraised value) from TIN Inc., as requested by the Plainview Volunteer Fire Association Board of Directors, to be paid from Fire Protection District No. 10 Funds;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. Jerry P. Wood Sr., President of the Rapides Parish Police Jury and acting as the governing authority of Fire Protection District No. 10 of the Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, is hereby authorized to execute the Act of Cash Sale on the purchase of an 8.117 acre tract of land on the corner of LA 112 and Dolly Paul Road/Willis Flat Road for Fire Protection District No. 10 as authorized by the Rapides Parish Police Jury on January 9, 2006.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President is further authorized to execute all and any documents related thereto in order to accomplish the purchase of the aforementioned land.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this 20th day of March, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Scott Perry, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to authorize the expenses of interested Police Jurors to attend the Black Caucus of Louisiana conference to be held on April 7-8, 2006 in Winnsboro. On vote the motion carried.

The President asked if there was any public comment on any agenda item. A gentleman in the audience asked the status of agenda item 59 and was told it had already been passed by the Police Jury. No one else was present who wished to be heard.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

Angie Richmond, Secretary
Rapides Parish Police Jury

Jerry P. Wood Sr., President
Rapides Parish Police Jury