

RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY

REGULAR SESSION
APRIL 10, 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, April 10, 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 Fountaine Jr., Donald H. Wilmore, Richard W. Billings, and Scott Perry Jr.

Police Juror Joe Fuller was absent.

Also present were Mr. Tim Ware, Treasurer; Mr. Greg Alwell, Acting Public Works Director; Ms. Donna Andries, Sales and Use Tax Director; Ms. Kay Smith, OEWD Director, Ms. Elaine Morace, WIA Operations Director; Chief David Peart, Fire District No. 2; Ms. Linda Sanders, Civil Service Director; 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. Butch Lindsay.

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. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to adopt the minutes of the Rapides Parish Police Jury held in Regular Session on March 20, 2006, 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. 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.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to reappoint Mr. Glenn Peterson to the Gas Utility District No. 2 Board for a five year term, term will expire on April 10, 2011. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Fountaine laid over the appointment to the 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.

On motion by Mr. Butch Lindsay, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to reappoint Mr. Eddie O'Bannon to the Waterworks District No. 3 for a five year term, term will expire on May 1, 2011. On vote the motion carried.

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

AICUZ Appeal Board for three year term to fill the expiring term of Mr. Michael DeKeyzer, term will expire on May 9, 2006;

Twin Valley Resource Conservation and Development for one year term to fill the expiring term of Mr. James Turnage, representing the Police Jury jointly with NCRS, term will expire on May 30, 2006;

Ward 5 Recreation District for a five year term to fill the expiring term of Mr. Hubert Melder, term will expire on June 10, 2006; and

AICUZ Appeal Board for three year term to fill the expiring term of Lt. Commander Anthony S. D'Angelo, term will expire on June 14, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to waive the thirty day announcement rule and reappoint Mr. James Turnage to the Twin Valley Resource Conservation and Development, representing the Police Jury jointly with NCRS, for one year term, term will expire on May 30, 2007, and Mr. Hubert Melder to the Ward 5 Recreation District for a five year term, term will expire on June 10, 2011.

Amendment by Mr. Don Wilmore, seconded by Mr. Scott Perry, to reappoint Mr. Mike DeKeyzer to the AICUZ Appeal Board for a three year term, term will expire on May 9, 2009 and Lt. Commander Anthony S. D'Angelo to the AICUZ Appeal Board for a three year term, term will expire on June 14, 2009.

On vote the motion as amended carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to recognize the Glenmora High School Wildcats girls' basketball team as Class B Semi-Finalist in the Sweet 16 Tournament. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Billings and Mr. Wood presented plaques to Coach Flowers and the team members.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to recognize the Tioga High School Indians girls' basketball team as Class 4-A Semi-Finalist in the Sweet 16 Tournament. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Lindsay and Mr. Wood presented plaques to the coaches and the team members.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, the following ordinance was presented, to authorize the sale of abandoned property known as 724 Lincoln Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana, to D B & J Investment Properties LLC contingent upon completion of the Adjudicated Property Procedures mandated by the Ordinance adopted on October 14, 2005, as approved by Mr. Robert Bussey, Legal Counsel, and on vote unanimously adopted:

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY TO SELL:

Two (2) certain pieces, parcels or lots of ground, together with all rights, ways and privileges thereunto appertaining, located in the City of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows: Lots Four (4) and Five (5) of Square Two (2) of Lincoln Place, a subdivision comprised of a portion of Lot Two (2) of Experiment Plantation located in Sections Ten (10) and Ninety-two (92), Township 4 North, Range 1 West, in Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana as per plat by L.J. Daigre, Parish Surveyor, dated May 10, 1952 recorded in Plat Book 8, Pages 120-121 in the office of the Clerk of Court for Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

Municipal Address of Property 724 Lincoln Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana

TO: D B & J Investment Properties, LLC

FOR THE
CONSIDERATION OF \$3,500.00 CASH

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria and/or the Parish of Rapides owns property described as

Two (2) certain pieces, parcels or lots of ground, together with all rights, ways and privileges thereunto appertaining, located in the City of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows: Lots Four (4) and Five (5) of Square Two (2) of LINCOLN PLACE, a subdivision comprised of a portion of Lot Two (2) of Experiment Plantation located in Sections Ten (10) and Ninety-two (92), Township 4 North, Range 1 West, in Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana as per plat by L.J. Daigre, Parish Surveyor, dated May 10, 1952 recorded in Plat Book 8, Pages 120-121 in the office of the Clerk of Court for Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

Municipal Address of Property: 724 Lincoln Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana

said property having been adjudicated to the City and/or Parish for unpaid property taxes, and

WHEREAS, a request has been received by the Purchasing Department from D B & J Investment Properties, L.L.C. to purchase said property for the consideration of \$3,500 cash, at the time of sale; and

WHEREAS, this Police Jury is of the opinion that it would be in the public interest to convey the above-mentioned property to D B & J Investment Properties, L.L.C., for the offered consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Rapides Parish Police Jury that:

Section 1. Two (2) certain pieces, parcels or lots of ground with all rights, ways and privileges thereunto appertaining, located in the City of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana and being more particularly described as follows: Lots Four (4) and Five (5) of Square Two (2) of LINCOLN PLACE, a subdivision comprised of a portion of Lot Two (2) of Experiment Plantation located in Sections Ten (10) and Ninety-two (92), Township 4 North, Range 1 West, in Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana as per plat by L. J. Daigre, Parish Surveyor, dated May 10, 1952 recorded in Plat Book 8, Pages 120-121 in the office of the Clerk of Court for Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

Municipal Address of Property: 724 Lincoln Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana, should be re-entered into the stream of commerce thereby serving the public interest.

Section 2. Ten days after the final adoption of this ordinance and promulgation of the ordinance in accordance with LSA R.S. 33:1367, if no restraining order has been obtained, the President is authorized to execute an act of cash sale in which the Rapides Parish Police Jury conveys the above described property to D B & J Investment Properties, L.L.C., or his agent or assigns for and in consideration of \$3,500.00. However, the

President shall not execute the act of cash sale until the District Attorney's office has certified in writing to the President, that purchaser has complied with the following, to-wit:

- a. Purchaser has certified in writing to the Purchasing Department of the Police Jury that she/he or his/her agent has examined the mortgage and conveyance records of Rapides Parish and that attached to this certification is a written list of names and last known addresses of all owners, mortgagees, and any other persons who may have a vested or contingent interest in the property, or who those who have filed a request for notice as provided in LSA-R.S. 47:2261, as indicated in those records. Said written certification contains an indemnification and hold harmless clause by the purchaser in favor of the Rapides Parish Police Jury, City of Alexandria, its officers, agents and employees if the purchaser should fail to notify an interested party or should incorrectly identify or locate an interested party.
- b. Purchaser has submitted the required notifications to the Purchasing Department for their signature, and purchaser has notified those persons identified in section "a" above, in accordance with LSA-R.S. 47:2261 and LSA-R.S. 33:4720.17 i.e. certified mail, publication and/or service of process, and further, purchaser has recorded said proof of notice in the conveyance records of Rapides Parish.
- c. Purchaser has provided a stamped copy to the Purchasing Department, of the proof of notice filed in the conveyance records of Rapides Parish.
- d. Purchaser has certified in writing to the Purchasing Department that at least sixty (60) days have elapsed since the above required notice was made or attempted and that the owner has not redeemed the property by the payment of the taxes owed.
- e. Purchaser has furnished the purchase price by cashier's check or money order payable to the Rapides Parish Police Jury and the cash sale attached has been approved by the District Attorney.

Section 3. If the purchaser fails to complete the requirements of Section 2 (a) and (b) of the adopted ordinance within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of it's adoption, the President of the Police Jury is authorized to execute an act of cash sale in which the Parish of Rapides conveys the above described property to anyone who shall complete the requirements of Section 2 of the adopted ordinance; and that if all of the requirements of that Section are not completed within six (6) months from the date of the adoption, the President of the Police Jury's authority to execute an act of cash sale for this property shall cease and any and all rights of the purchaser to this property shall terminate; and,

Section 4. This act of sale shall be without any warranty or recourse whatsoever (including warranty of title), even for the return or any reduction of the purchase price, but with the subrogation to all rights and actions of warranty the City of Alexandria and/or the Parish of Rapides may have, and such sale shall contain such warranty limitations and other provisions as are required by the District Attorney's Office. The City of Alexandria and/or the Parish of Rapides shall reserve all oil, gas and other mineral rights in and to the property to be conveyed, but shall convey the surface rights of the said property.

THUS PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 10th day of April, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, the following ordinance was presented, to authorize the sale of abandoned property known as 779 Highway 8, Lena, Louisiana, to David R. and Jacqueline K. Bolton contingent upon completion of the Adjudicated Property Procedures mandated by the Ordinance adopted on October 14, 2005, as approved by Mr. Robert Bussey, Legal Counsel, and on vote unanimously adopted:

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY TO SELL:

A certain piece, parcel or tract of land together with all buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, way and privileges thereunto appertaining, being, lying and situated in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4 of NW 1/4) of Section 22, Township 5 North, Range 4 West, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the point common to Sections 15, 16, 21 and 22, T5N, R4W, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and thence proceed due South along the section line dividing Sections 21 and 22 a distance of 221.90 feet to a point on the southern right-of-way of La. Highway 8; thence proceed South 55 deg. 47 min. 10 sec. East 872.59 feet along the southern right-of-way boundary of La. Highway 8 to the point of beginning of the hereindescribed property; from the point of beginning thus established, continue South 55 deg. 47 min. 10 sec. East along the southern boundary of La. Highway 8 252.21 feet to a point and corner to establish the frontage of the hereindescribed property on La. Hwy 8; thence proceed South 08 deg. 16 min. 50 sec. West 158.7 feet to a point; thence proceed South 15 deg. 26 min. West 155.52 feet to a point; thence proceed South 0 deg. 40 min. West 182.00 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed South 89 deg. 55 min. West 270.21 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed North 14 deg. 43 min. 10 sec. East 237.48 feet; thence proceed North 09 deg. 34 min. 04 sec. East 407.0 feet back to the point of beginning, containing 3.04 acres and being more particularly shown by Certificate of Survey by Benjamin K. Fontenot dated April 3, 1998, recorded at COB 1529, Page 21, records of Rapides Parish, Louisiana, which is incorporated herein by reference for greater certainty of description.

Municipal Address of Property

779 Hwy 8, Lena, Louisiana

TO: David R. and Jacqueline K. Bolton

FOR THE
CONSIDERATION OF \$6,000.00 CASH

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria and/or the Parish of Rapides owns property described as

A certain, parcel or tract of land together with all buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, way and privileges thereunto appertaining, being, lying and situated in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4 of NW 1/4) of Section 22, Township 5 North, Range 4 West, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the point common to Sections 15, 16, 21 and 22, T5N, R4W, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and thence proceed due South along the section line dividing Sections 21 and 22 a distance of 221.90 feet to a point on the southern right-of-way of La. Highway 8; thence proceed South 55 deg. 47 min. 10 sec. East 872.59 feet along the southern right-of-way boundary of La Highway 8 to the point of beginning of the hereindescribed property; from the point of beginning thus established, continue South 55 deg. 47 min. 10 sec. East along the southern boundary of La. Highway 8 252.21 feet to a point and corner to establish the frontage of the hereindescribed property on La. Hwy 8; thence proceed South 08 deg. 16 min. 50 sec. West 158.7 feet to a point; thence proceed South 15 deg. 26 min. West 155.52 feet to a point; thence proceed South 0 deg. 40 min. West 182.00 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed South 89 deg. 55 min. West 270.21 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed North 14 deg. 43 min. 10 sec. East 237.48 feet; thence proceed North 09 deg. 34 min. 04 sec. East 407.0 feet back to the point of beginning, containing 3.04 acres and being more particularly shown by Certificate of Survey by Benjamin K. Fontenot dated April 3, 1998, recorded at COB 1529, Page 21, records of Rapides Parish, Louisiana, which is incorporated herein by reference for greater certainty of description.

Municipal Address of the Property: 779 Hwy 8, Lena, Louisiana

said property having been adjudicated to the City and/or Parish for unpaid property taxes, and

WHEREAS, a request has been received by the Purchasing Department from David R. and Jacqueline K. Bolton to purchase said property for the consideration of \$6,000.00 cash, at the time of sale; and

WHEREAS, this Jury is of the opinion that it would be in the public interest to convey the above-mentioned property to David R. and Jacqueline K. Bolton, for the offered consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Rapides Parish Police Jury that:

Section 1. A certain, parcel or tract of land together with all buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, way and privileges thereunto appertaining, being, lying and situated in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4 of NW 1/4) of Section 22, Township 5 North, Range 4 West, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows:

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Section 2. Ten days after the final adoption of this ordinance and promulgation of the ordinance in accordance with LSA R.S. 33:1367, if no restraining order has been obtained, the President is authorized to execute an act of cash sale in which the Rapides Parish Police Jury conveys the above described property to David R. and Jacqueline K. Bolton, or their agent or assigns for and in consideration of \$6,000.00. However, the President shall not execute the act of cash sale until the District Attorney's office has certified in writing to the President, that purchaser has complied with the following, to-wit:

- a. Purchaser has certified in writing to the Purchasing Department of the Police Jury that she/he or his/her agent has examined the mortgage and conveyance records of Rapides Parish and that attached to this certification is a written list of names and last known addresses of all owners, mortgagees, and any other persons who may have a vested or contingent interest in the property, or who those who have filed a request for notice as provided in LSA-R.S. 47:2261, as indicated in those records. Said written certification contains an indemnification and hold harmless clause by the purchaser in favor of the Rapides Parish Police Jury, City of Alexandria, its officers, agents and employees if the purchaser should fail to notify an interested party or should incorrectly identify or locate an interested party.
- b. Purchaser has submitted the required notifications to the Purchasing Department for their signature, and purchaser has notified those persons identified in section "a" above, in

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accordance with LSA-R.S. 47:2261 and LSA-R.S. 33:4720.17 i.e. certified mail, publication and/or service of process, and further, purchaser has recorded said proof of notice in the conveyance records of Rapides Parish.

- c. Purchaser has provided a stamped copy to the Purchasing Department, of the proof of notice filed in the conveyance records of Rapides Parish.
- d. Purchaser has certified in writing to the Purchasing Department that at least sixty (60) days have elapsed since the above required notice was made or attempted and that the owner has not redeemed the property by the payment of the taxes owed.
- e. Purchaser has furnished the purchase price by cashier's check or money order payable to the Rapides Parish Police Jury and the cash sale attached has been approved by the District Attorney.

Section 3. If the purchaser fails to complete the requirements of Section 2 (a) and (b) of the adopted ordinance within one hundred twenty (120) days of its adoption, the President of the Police Jury is authorized to execute an act of cash sale in which the Parish of Rapides conveys the above described property to anyone who shall complete the requirements of Section 2 of the adopted ordinance; and that if all of the requirements of that Section are not completed within six (6) months from the date of the adoption, the President of the Police Jury's authority to execute an act of cash sale for this property shall cease and any and all rights of the purchaser to this property shall terminate; and,

Section 4. This act of sale shall be without any warranty or recourse whatsoever (including warranty of title), even for the return or any reduction of the purchase price, but with the subrogation to all rights and actions of warranty the City of Alexandria and/or the Parish of Rapides may have, and such sale shall contain such warranty limitations and other provisions as are required by the District Attorney's Office. The City of Alexandria and/or the Parish of Rapides shall reserve all oil, gas and other mineral rights in and to the property to be conveyed, but shall convey the surface rights of the said property.

THUS PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 10th day of April, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to concur with the recommendation of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Cocodrie Lake Commission for a 3'-4' drawdown of Cocodrie Lake Commission beginning May 1, copy of this concurrence to be sent to the Cleco Corporation as notification. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize expenses of Chief David Peart and Assistant Chief William Bordelon to attend a final inspection of a new fire truck at Clemson Fire in Brandon, South Dakota, tentatively on May 1-3, 2006. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize to advertise for various road improvements in District E:

Ward 2

Frankie Smith Road

Ward 5

Cutts Road

Ward 7

two portions of Red Store Hill Road

Ward 8

North Bayou Road

three portions of Texada Road

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize to purchase miscellaneous radio equipment for Fire District No. 10 under Bid No. 1960 Portable Radios and Pagers, as recommended by the Plainview Volunteer Fire Association, Treasurer and Purchasing Agent, to be paid from Fire District No. 10 Funds as budgeted. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to set a volunteer fireman reimbursement pay for Fire Protection District No. 6 at the rate of \$5 per call to structure fires, as requested by the Deville Volunteer Fire Association. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize Ms. Clyde Perkins, 131 Doshie Road, Glenmora, as a Hardship Case, pending proper certifications. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to request the State Highway Department for used bridge railing materials, as requested by the Acting Public Works Director of the Rapides Parish Highway Department. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize Fire Protection District No. 2 to apply for a FY'2006 FEMA Fire Grant for computer software, three laptop computers, installation and training, as recommended by Fire Chief David Peart, and authorize the President to sign same. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize to declare Asset No. 7297 (Wrecked Engine No. 11) as surplus property no longer needed for public use and authorize to sell it to

Grant Parish Fire District No. 11 for the amount of \$19,500 as recommended by the Fire Chief and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize Fire District No. 6 to apply for a 2006 FEMA fire grant. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to increase the pay of the supervisors for the seasonal mowing and chip sealing crews from \$7.50 per hour to \$7.75 per hour (amending that certain motion of March 20, 2006). On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to accept the Secretary's Report. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to award Bid No. 1968 Miscellaneous Office Supplies for the Inventory Room to the low bidder Sayes Office Supply as recommended by the Treasurer and Purchasing Agent. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize the President to sign a Capital Outlay Request for \$450,000 for the Dean Lee Agriculture Center as requested by Representative Charlie DeWitt. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize to purchase a used car for the Juvenile Probation Department, to be paid out of Title IV-E Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, that the public review period having been held, and no objections have been received by April 5, 2006, to adopt the ordinance authorizing advertisement and sale of the property located at 1200 Texas Avenue, Alexandria, of March 13, 2006, the location for the former Health Unit and Regional Lab, as advertised:

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT AND SALE OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1200 TEXAS AVENUE, ALEXANDRIA

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, being to 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 no longer 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 (\$185,800.00) 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;

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury had adopted on March 20, 2006, a Notice of Intent to Sell said property, which has been published three times in fifteen days, namely, March 21, 2006, March 26, 2006, and March 30, 2006, for public review and comment with a deadline for receipt of any opposition by April 5, 2006;

WHEREAS, no opposition has been received by the Rapides Parish Police Jury before or after April 5, 2006, nor to date;

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

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Notice of Intent to Sell the structure and property located at 1200 Texas Avenue, Alexandria, of March 20, 2006, is hereby affirmed; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED said property will be offered for sale by public bid, to be sold on June 12, 2006; and,

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

THUS DONE, PASSED AND APPROVED on this 10th day of April, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to approve the FEMA travel trailer to be located at 512 Hooper Road, Deville, as approved by the Health Department. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to ratify the authorization for the President to sign the 1st amended cooperative endeavor agreement documents for the Infrastructure for Cluster Development Planning and Construction project. This reflects moving a \$1,874,250.00 non-cash line of credit to a cash line of credit. This was authorized by Act 26 of 2005. All funds distributed to the same categories in Exhibit "A" as they were in the original cooperative endeavor agreement. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to grant waiver of the insurance requirement for a sewer discharge permit application at 2002 Innis Drive, Alexandria, for Ms. Flora Ferguson, subject to the approval of the Acting Public Works Director, Rapides Area Planning Commission and Louisiana Department of Health. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize the Courthouse & Jail Building Superintendent to contract for repairs to Courtrooms 5 & 6 and lobby (replace ceiling, ceiling grid and lighting) in an amount not to exceed \$17,322, to be paid out of the Courthouse & Jail Fund. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, the following resolution was presented, to oppose HB 629 by Representative Israel Curtis providing for term limitation, and on vote unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO HB 629 INTRODUCED IN THE 2006 REGULAR SESSION OF THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 and various provisions of the Revised Statutes for the State of Louisiana provide for the qualifications, length of terms and the exclusive rights of the electors of local political subdivisions to elect their governing authority; and,

WHEREAS, it is well settled that the Louisiana Legislature has granted the authority to the elected officials of governing authorities located throughout the State to address these issues on the local level as they deem appropriate and in the best interest of the citizens of each parish, municipality or school board; and,

WHEREAS, HB 629, by Representative Israel B. Curtis, introduced in the 2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, is a proposed constitutional amendment which seeks to limit the terms of elected officials of governing authorities and other local political subdivisions who have served more than one and one-half terms in two consecutive terms. This amendment is subject to the affirmative vote of the voters of the State of Louisiana on November 7, 2006;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by virtue of this resolution the Rapides Parish Police Jury formally expresses its strong opposition to this proposed legislation as it is an attempt by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana to usurp the authority granted to governing authorities to determine how best to represent the citizens of Rapides Parish and taking that decision making authority away from the local governments who know what is in the best interests of the citizens of this community;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to each State Senator and State Representative representing Rapides Parish;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to each parish police jury/council/commission in the State of Louisiana and the Police Jury Association of Louisiana.

THUS DONE AND PASSED on this 10th day of April 2006.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, the following resolution was presented, to proclaim the week of April 23-29, 2006 as National County Government Week with the theme "Protecting Our Communities", and on vote unanimously adopted:

PROCLAMATION

Protecting Our Communities.

America's counties provide a variety of essential services. Many of these services work to protect our communities.

Counties protect residents from natural disasters, terrorist attacks, crime and drug abuse. Counties are the first to respond to emergency situations and are primarily responsible for planning for disasters. Counties also work to protect families, children and youth.

There are 3,066 counties in the United States, collectively responsible for the well being of more than 250 million residents.

Counties provide services that make America's communities stronger, safer places to live and raise families. Counties police our streets, fight fires, save lives in hospitals, keep families healthy, repair bridges, plow snow, help troubled youth, train laid-off workers and perform countless other jobs.

Counties have a long history of providing critical services. County governments are the citizen's local government voice, providing solutions that bring communities together.

In recognition of the leadership, innovation and valuable service provided by our nation's counties:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Rapides Parish Police Jury hereby proclaims April 23-29, 2006 as

PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES WEEK
in Rapides Parish.

THUS PASSED AND APPROVED on this 10th day of April, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to receive the required report from Acadian Ambulance under the Contract for February 2006:

Response Zone	Number Responses	Required %	Compliance %
Alexandria - 8 minute	373	80%	94.10%
Pineville - 8 minute	87	80%	95.40%
Rapides - 12 minute	138	80%	100.00%
Rapides - 20 minute	121	80%	92.56%

On vote the motion carried.

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On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to grant the secretary of Holiday Village Fire Association a cost of living pay increase effective April 1, 2006 from \$7.35 per hour to \$8.00 per hour, to be paid from Fire District No. 4 Funds. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to ratify the appointment of 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 Mr. Skip Crawford from Equipment Operator II to Area Coordinator with pay increase to be in accordance with Civil Service Promotion Rules effective April 1, 2006, 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:

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to delete the following equipment from the Asset/Inventory Program for Fire District No. 4 as the equipment was lost at a fire scene:

Asset Description	Acquired	Disposal
9961 Portable Radio	10-10-05	lost/scrap

On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Flatwoods Volunteer Fire Department for services and operation of Fire Protection District No. 14 for a ten year period beginning May 17, 2006, with a ten year option to renew, and authorize the President to sign on behalf of the Police Jury and Fire Protection District No. 14. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to exercise the ten year option to renew the Fire Services Agreement with Woodworth expiring May 14, 2006 and authorize the President to sign any necessary documents. On vote the motion carried.

The next agenda item was to discuss the Parish Highway Department work week when a holiday within the week, whether work week to be four eight-hour days or two eleven-hour days with one ten-hour day.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Ezra Reed, to set the work week of the Parish Highway Department when one holiday falls within the week, to consist of two eleven-hour days and one ten-hour day for a total of thirtytwo hours for the week, this to apply only during a four ten-hour day work week schedule. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize to reimburse the expenses of Mr. James Turnage who attended the Twin Valley RC&D Meeting in Natchitoches, LA on March 30, 2006, to be paid from the General Fund. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize the expenses of interested Police Jurors to attend the Envisioning the Future of the Gulf Coast Conference to be held on April 25-27, 2006 in New Orleans. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize the expenses of Mr. Richard Billings to represent Rapides Parish in the NACo special PILT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) 30th Anniversary Fly In on April 25-26, 2006, in Washington DC. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to delete from the Highway Department Asset/Inventory Program the following equipment as requested by the Public Works Director, the equipment was traded in on the purchase of new equipment:

Asset Description	Acquired	Disposal
7366 Pressure Washer	12-10-96	Traded

On vote the motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Butch Lindsay, to discuss setting a reasonable and customary fee on subdivisions to be approved by the Police Jury to help defray the cost of consultant engineer. (No vote taken on the motion.)

Mr. Wood requested Legal Counsel for guidance on whether there was any ordinance or prohibition against assessing the cost of engineering fees on subdivisions henceforth, said fees to be in addition to the subdivision review fees. Mr. Tom Wells, Legal Counsel, agreed to bring back a recommendation.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Butch Lindsay, to set a reasonable and customary fee on subdivisions submitted for approval by the Police Jury to help defray the cost of a consultant engineer, contingent upon findings of Legal Counsel. On vote the motion carried.

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

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to amend that certain motion of the Rapides Parish Police Jury on March 20, 2006 regarding authorization to assign the rights in the Guinn versus the Rapides Parish Police Jury so as to allow the District Attorney to have the alternative to dismiss the case against the State, as recommended by Legal Counsel. On vote the motion carried.

Mr. Wood introduced discussion on the Competitive Cable Services Act HB 699 by Rep. Montgomery and he asked the Police Jury to consider adopting a resolution in opposition of HB 699, copy to be sent to our Louisiana Legislative Delegation.

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

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO HB 699 INTRODUCED IN THE 2006 REGULAR SESSION OF THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, HB 699, by Representative Billy Montgomery, introduced in the 2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, is a proposed creation of a Competitive Cable Services Act, including creation of a Louisiana Competitive Cable Board, certificates of franchise authority, franchise fees associated with cable services, the distribution of franchise fees, and other matters in connection therewith; and,

WHEREAS, the Rapides Parish Police Jury negotiates with cable television providers, levies a franchise fee and issues/maintains franchises for use and occupancy of parish right of ways by the cable television provider; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation would take away this right of the Rapides Parish Police Jury; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Louisiana Competitive Cable Board would collect the franchise fee, less a proposed 1% administrative fee for collection;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by virtue of this resolution the Rapides Parish Police Jury formally expresses its strong opposition to this proposed legislation as it is an attempt by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana to usurp the authority granted to governing authorities to determine how best to represent the citizens of Rapides Parish and taking that decision making authority away from the local governments who know what is in the best interests of the citizens of this community;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to each State Senator and State Representative representing Rapides Parish;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to each parish police jury/council/commission in the State of Louisiana and the Police Jury Association of Louisiana.

THUS DONE AND PASSED on this 10th day of April 2006.

On motion by Mr. Richard Billings, seconded by Mr. Don Wilmore, to authorize Fire Protection District No. 8 to sell Asset No. 6362 (1984 Ford Tanker) to the Rapides Parish Highway Department for the amount of \$50.00, as recommended by the Cotile Volunteer Fire Department, the sale to be effective after receipt of the new tanker by Fire Protection District No. 8. On vote the motion carried.

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

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Angie Richmond, Secretary Jerry P. Wood Sr., President
Rapides Parish Police Jury Rapides Parish Police Jury