

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF NATCHITOCHEs,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN A REGULAR MEETING HELD, THURSDAY,**

January 15, 2009

5:00 P. M.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, met in regular and legal session in their regular meeting place, the Police Jury Board Room of the Natchitoches Parish Courthouse, on Thursday, January 15, 2009 at five o'clock (5:00) p.m.

The Invocation was given by Juror Tom Collier, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Juror Fred Jacobs.

There were present: The Honorable Charles Huggins, President, Police Jurors: Gerald Longlois, Chris Paige, J. D. Garrett, David Dollar, William Hymes, Johnny Martin, Tom Collier Jr., Jessie Hoffpauir, Mimi Stoker and Fred Jacobs.

There was absent: None.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Natchitoches was then duly convened as the governing authority of said parish by the President who stated that the Police Jury was ready for the transaction of business.

President Huggins then stated the first item on the agenda was the election of officers for the year 2009. President Huggins then recognized Mr. Hoffpauir who nominated Mr. David Dollar for the office of President of the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury for the year 2009. Mr. Hoffpauir's nomination was seconded by Mr. Collier. With there being no other nominations from the floor, President Huggins recognized Mr. Paige who moved that the nominations close and that Mr. Dollar be elected by acclamation. This motion was seconded by Mr. Collier and unanimously carried.

In accepting the position of President, Mr. Dollar thanked the Jurors for their confidence and support. He also stated that the Jury will have a hard year in front of them and he promised to listen and lead as best as he could with the Juror's help.

President Dollar then stated that the floor was open for nominations for the office of Vice-President of the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury for the year 2009. He recognized Mr. Collier who nominated Mr. Fred Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Martin. With there being no further nominations from the floor, President Dollar recognized Mr. Paige who moved that the nominations be closed and that Mr. Jacobs be elected Vice-President by acclamation. This motion was seconded by Mr. Hoffpauir and unanimously carried. Mr. Jacobs thanked the Jurors for his election as Vice-President.

Mr. Hymes was absent for the election.

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt the minutes of the regular meeting held Thursday, December 18, 2008.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mrs. Stoker, duly seconded by Mr. Hoffpauir, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby appoint Dr. Leland Scoggins to the Natchitoches Parish Planning Commission to replace Mr. Newton "Sonny" Powell, Jr., due to his term expiring and re-starting the process to appoint someone to replace Mr. Dean Sinclair, who resigned.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Longlois, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby accept the report of Office of Community Services.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mrs. Stoker, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize Assistant District Attorney, Kip Fair, to proceed with terminating the lease with the Natchitoches Sportsman's Association due to a breach of contract.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hoffpauir, duly seconded by Mr. Longlois, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby conduct a public hearing to hear any and all comments or objections relative to adopting an ordinance relative to the annexation of property into municipalities.

Motion Carried

President Dollar then declared the public hearing open and asked if there were any comments or objections relative to adopting an ordinance relative to the annexation of property into municipalities. Mr. Paul Washington was recognized who made several comments about his situation with Mr. Can Man. Mr. Washington was then informed that the public hearing was about annexation and that he would be allowed to speak before the meeting was adjourned. Since there were no comments or objections relative to the annexation matter, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby closed the public hearing.

Motion Carried

President Dollar then declared the public hearing closed.

President Dollar then stated that the next item on the agenda was the adoption an ordinance relative to the annexation of property into municipalities. He then recognized Assistant District Attorney Kip Fair who stated that the ordinance was not completed and would be ready for the next month's meeting. Relative to this, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Hoffpauir, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby table adopting an ordinance relative to the annexation of property into municipalities.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Jacobs, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby appoint Ms. Regina Keyser to the Natchitoches Parish Housing Authority due to Mrs. Elizabeth Dalton's term expiring.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Jacobs, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby start the process to appoint/reappoint members to the Saline Lake Game and Fish Preserve Commission due to Ms. Laura Johnson and Mr. Allen Beasley's terms expiring on January 19, 2009.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Martin, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby start the process to appoint/reappoint someone to the Black Lake Game and Fish Preserve Commission due to Mr. Aubrey Matthews, Jr.'s term expiring on February 16, 2009.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Hoffpauir, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution supporting the Crowfoot Supply Company to participate in the Enterprise Zone Program/Quality Job Program.

Motion Carried

President Dollar then recognized Mr. Tom Collier, Chairman of the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee, who presented the following report:

On motion by Mr. Hoffpauir, duly seconded by Mr. Jacobs, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby instruct the Parish Planning Commission not to issue any building permit until the culverts are installed at the entrance of Beau Riviera Subdivision.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hoffpauir, duly seconded by Mr. Jacobs, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize the Parish Highway Department to purchase cold mix asphalt to help fill in potholes.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mrs. Stoker, duly seconded by Mr. Longlois, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize the purchase of a Service truck for the Parish Highway Department off State Contract.

Motion Carried

This concluded action on the report of the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee.

President Dollar then recognized Mr. Earl Townsend, Director of Public Works, who reported emergency expenditures for the period of December 19, 2008 through January 15, 2009, in the amount of **\$91.82.**

Mr. Townsend then asked the Jury to add to the agenda declaring the list of equipment presented to the Jury as surplus property and authorizing the sale of the equipment at the next Kevin Kelly's Auction. Relative to this the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Jacobs, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby add to the agenda declaring the list of equipment surplus property and authorizing the sale of the equipment at the next Kevin Kelly's Auction.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby declare the list of equipment surplus property and authorizing the sale of the equipment at the next Kevin Kelly's Auction.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Longlois, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve expenditures for the period of December 19, 2008 through January 15, 2009 in the amount of \$1,010,672.59.

Motion Carried

President Dollar then allowed Mr. Paul Washington to continue his conversation about his situation with Mr. Can Man. Mr. Washington stated that he wanted to inform the new Jurors as well as the Old Jurors about this on-going situation. President Dollar then told Mr. Washington that he was able to find out the DEQ web site an Enforcement Tracking # and letter issue to the owner of Mr. Can Man. He also told Mr. Washington that this probably meant that the State was already looking into this matter. President Dollar also pledge to follow through with the DEQ contacts and personally get back in touch with him. Several comments ensued and Mr. Washington was told that the Jury would continue to assist in this matter.

On motion by Mrs. Stoker, duly seconded by Mr. Jacobs, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session, does hereby adjourn until the next regular or called meeting of the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury.

Motion Carried

Attest:

David Dollar, President

Catherine Hamilton,
Parish Administrator