

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF NATCHITOCHEs, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD, WEDNESDAY,

March 16, 2005

9:00 A.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 Wednesday, March 16, 2005 at nine o'clock (9:00) a.m.

The invocation was given by Juror William Hymes, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Juror Jessie Hoffpauir.

There were present: Honorable Chris Paige, President, Police Jurors: J. D. Garrett, Alice Barrios, William Hymes, Charles Huggins, Charles Cloud, Tom Collier, Jessie Hoffpauir, Doug Masters and Gale Potts-Roque.

There were 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 Paige then recognized Mrs. Iris Harper, Executive Director of the Natchitoches Parish Tourist Office, who stated that the Tourist Commission had met last night, Tuesday, March 15, 2005, in a regular session of the Commission and instructed her to attend the Police Jury Meeting this morning to discuss replacing Mr. Kent Gresham on the Tourist Commission due to Mr. Gresham being absent from the last four (4) Board meetings.

Mrs. Harper stated that in January, 2005, the Commission adopted a policy and procedures manual for the Commission members and employees. She went on to say that in accordance with the policy and procedures manual which stated that three (3) absences during a twelve month period shall be construed as a resignation from the Commission, Mr. Gresham should be replaced. Relative to this, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Huggins, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby add to the agenda to start the process to appoint someone to the Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission to replace Mr. Kent Gresham due to his continuous absences.

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 start the process to appoint someone to the Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission to replace Mr. Kent Gresham due to his continuous absences.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt the minutes of the regular meeting held Wednesday, February 16, 2005.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby re-appoint Mr. Dean Sinclair to the Natchitoches Parish Planning Commission due to his term expiring.

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 accept the Grand Ecore Recreation Area Access Road into the Parish Road System and authorizing the President to execute the Act of Transfer of the Access Road.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby declare three (3) vans located at the Council on Aging surplus property and authorizing the sale of said vans at a public auction and the proceeds from the sale to go to the Council on Aging to assist the elderly.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Garrett, duly seconded by Mr. Huggins, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby table the appointment to the Twin Valley RC&D Area, Inc.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming the week of March 28 - April 3, 2005 as National Community Development Week in Natchitoches Parish.

Motion Carried

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On motion by Mr. *Hymes*, duly seconded by Mrs. *Barrios*, that the Natchitoches Parish Police *Jury* in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution giving thanks and recognition to all participants who help to ensure the quality and effectiveness of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Motion Carried

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On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mrs. Barrios, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution opposing the elimination of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Cloud, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby appoint Mr. Edward Conlay to Protection District #8 Board of Fire Directors.

Motion Carried

President Paige then stated that the next item on the agenda was to appoint someone to the Natchitoches Parish Hospital Board of Directors due to the resignation of Mr. Frankie Ray Jackson, Sr. He then asked the Parish Administrator to do a roll call vote. On a roll call vote, the vote was thereon as follows:

WILLIAM ACKEL: Barrios, Huggins, Cloud, Hoffpauir and Masters.

SAMUEL JACKSON: Garrett, Hymes, Collier, Roque and Paige.

ABSENT: None.

with the vote being tied at five (5) for William Ackel and five (5) for Samuel Jackson, the appointment to the Natchitoches Parish Hospital Board of Directors failed.

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby amend Section 5 A.2h - Special Use Area of the subdivision ordinance requiring new subdivisions or multifamily dwellings consisting of ten (10) or more lots to designate an area for a garbage collection site within the premises of the subdivision or dwellings.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, 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 remove 5,734 feet or 1.09 miles of P. R. #618, the Bayou Blue Road, out of the Parish Road System.

Motion Carried

President Paige then declared the Public Hearing open and asked if there were any comments or objections relative to the removal of this road. Since there were no comments or objections, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby close the public hearing.

Motion Carried

Relative to the above public hearing, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Masters, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby remove 5,734 feet or 1.09 miles of P. R. #618, the Bayou Blue Road, out of the Parish Road System.

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 appoint the following members to the Natchitoches Parish Children and Youth Planning Board as mandated by Act 555 of 2004 of the Louisiana Legislature.

District #2 - Joyce Reliford
District #3 - Julia Barnum
District #4 - Judge D. Hawthorne -
District #5 Glenda Howard
District #6 - Don Barker
District #7 - Bill Rowell
District #8 - Harold Waters
Rosa Calvet
District #9 - Daphana McCallan -
District #11 Gail Jones

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 authorize the Parish Administrator to proceed with the repair of the Courthouse Parking lot wall, said repairs not to exceed \$7,500.00.

Motion Carried
With
Mr. Hoffpauir
"opposing"

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mrs. Barrios, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby accept the report of the Office of Community Services for the month of February, 2005.

Motion Carried

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

Relative to the above report, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby start the process to remove 7,182 feet or 1.36 miles of road and two bridges #600075 and #600076 on P. R. #547A, the Burkett Slough Road, out of the Parish Road System.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Huggins, duly seconded by Mrs. Barrios, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize the purchasing of materials to build a storage shed for the Highway Department at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00, said fund will come out of the Equipment Line Item.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hoffpauir, duly seconded by Mrs. Roque, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby start the process to revoke any public dedication to unnamed roads that is situated in Blocks 11, 22, 23, 26,27 and fractional 9, 10, 24, and 25 of the Town of Marthaville and being situated in Section 28, Township 9 North, Range 10 West.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Masters, duly seconded ~~the~~ by Mrs. Barrios, that Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in ~~session~~ regular and legal convened, does hereby authorize ~~proceeding~~ with the Fall expropriation process for the Kisatchie Road Bridge.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Cloud, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize proceeding with the expropriation process of the Hart Road Bridge.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Cloud, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize the Director of Public Works to hire a former employee on a temporary basis in the amount of \$11.44 hourly.

Motion Carried

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

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On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby accept the report of the Director of Public Works for emergency expenditures for the period of February 17, 2005 through March 16, 2005 in the amount of **\$1,557.65.**

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Garrett, duly seconded by Mrs. Barrios, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve expenditures for the period of February 17, 2005 through March 16, 2005 in the amount **of \$723,301.94.**

Motion Carried

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

Motion Carried

ATTEST:

Chris Paige, President

Catherine Hamilton,
Parish Administrator