

PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
NATCHITOCHE PARISH POLICE JURY
HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2006

3:30 P.M.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, met in special session in the Police Jury Board Room of the Natchitoches Parish Courthouse, on Monday, January 30, 2006 at three-thirty (3:30) p.m.

The invocation was given by Juror J. D. Garrett followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Juror Charles Huggins.

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

There was absent: Joey Cox.

President Barrios then stated that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss the applications and resumes received for the positions of Parish Treasurer and Director of Public Works. She then recognized Parish Administrator Catherine Hamilton who stated that the Jury needed to add approving Johnson, Thomas & Cunningham to assist the Police Jury in its year-end accounting procedures. Relative to this, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mrs. Roque, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby add to the agenda approving Johnson, Thomas & Cunningham to assist the Police Jury in its year-end accounting procedures.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Huggins, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby approve Johnson, Thomas & Cunningham to assist the Police Jury in its year-end accounting procedures.

Motion Carried

President Barrios then proceeded with the agenda by recognizing Mr. Bobby Deen, Director of Public Works who asked the Jury for authorization to proceed with the installation of a culvert on the Good Hope Road Bridge. He stated that a timber company had agreed to pay for the culvert and provide the dirt for this project. Relative to this, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Huggins, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby authorize the Director of Public Works to proceed with the installation of a culvert on the Good Hope Road Bridge.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Masters, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby appoint Mrs. Terri Hrapmann to the Natchitoches Parish Children and Youth Planning Board.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Paige, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby appoint Mr. J. D. Garrett to serve on the Head Start Policy Council for a three-year period.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Huggins, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby enter into a lease agreement with the Natchitoches 4-H Shooting Sports to use the Ballpark on Cloud Crossing for practice.

Motion Carried

President Barrios then stated that the next item on the agenda was to discuss applications and resumes received for the positions of Parish Treasurer and Director of Public Works. She then recognized Mr. Paige who stated that the Jury should take care of the Director of Public Works position first since the treasurer position would take longer. Relative to this, a brief discussion ensued and the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby authorize re-advertising for the Director of Public Works position.

Motion Carried
With
Mr. Huggins
Mr. Hoffpauir
Mr. Masters
Voting "no"

Mr. Cloud and Mr. Hymes abstained.

There then ensued a discussion concerning the criteria for the Director of Public Works position. After a lengthy discussion, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Cloud, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby amend the Director of Public Works job description to read that a civil engineering degree is not required but preferred with comfortable years of experience.

Motion Carried

A discussion then ensued relative to interviewing applicants for the position of Parish Treasurer. Relative to this, it was agreed by the Jury that special meetings would be called for Monday, February 6, 2006 for the first fifteen (15) applicants and Thursday, February 9, 2006 for the last fifteen (15) applicants.

There then arose a discussion concerning the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee. President Barrios then stated that she had presented each Juror with a copy of the committees for 2006. She also stated that she would like to change the meeting date of the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee to the same day of the Work Session along with the Finance and Budget Committee. After a brief discussion, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby add to the agenda changing the meeting date of the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee and the Finance and Budget Committee to the same day as the Work Session meeting with the Finance and Budget Committee meeting and 3:00 p.m. and the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Motion Carried

Relative to this, the following action was taken:

On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in special and legal session convened, does hereby change the meeting dates of the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee and Finance and Budget Committee to the same day as the Work Session meeting with the Finance and Budget Committee meeting at 3:00 p.m. and the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Motion Carried

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

ATTEST:

Alice Barrios, President

Catherine Hamilton,
Parish Administrator