

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

August 16, 2006

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, August 16, 2006 at nine o'clock (9:00) a.m.

The invocation was given by Juror Charles Cloud, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Juror Charles Huggins.

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

There were absent: William Hymes and Doug Masters.

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.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Cox, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt the minutes of the regular meeting held Wednesday, July 19, 2006 and the special meeting held Thursday, August 3, 2006.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hoffpauir, duly seconded by Mr. Cox, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve conducting a public hearing on September 20, 2006, to hear any comments or objections relative to overturning the decision of the Natchitoches Parish Planning Commission denying the rezoning to Mississippi Mex Inc. of a 0.701 acre tract of land situated in irregular Section 78, T8N R6W from I-A to B-3 to operate a restaurant with alcohol sales for consumption on premises on LA Highway 494.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Huggins, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution allowing Weyerhaeuser/Red River Containerboard Mill to receive the local benefits of the Enterprise Zone Program.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Huggins, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution authorizing the Advertisement for bids for the Martco Plywood Plant Project.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Huggins, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution allowing Pilgrim's Pride Corporation to receive the local benefits of the Enterprise Zone Program.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Huggins, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby appoint Mr. George Culpepper to the Natchitoches Parish Fire Protection District #5 Board of Directors.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby canvas the returns and declare the result of the election held Saturday, July 15, 2006.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Cox, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt the report of the Office of Community Services for the month of July, 2006.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Cox, 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 the following:

President Barrios then declared the Public Hearing open. She then asked if there were anyone present who wanted to speak on these issues. President Barrios then recognized Mr. David Elkins who told the Jury that he present to ask the Jury to take a portion of the Ray Carpenter Road out of the Parish Road System.

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Cox, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby Remove 300 feet or 0.058 mile of P. R. #576, the Olive Road.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hoffpauir, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby remove 300 feet or 0.058 mile of P. R. #576, the Olive Road, from the Parish Road System.

Motion Carried

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 the decision to remove all or a portion of P. R. #528, the Ray Carpenter Road, from the Parish Road System due to pending litigation.

Motion Carried

President Barrios then stated that the next item on the agenda was to consider hiring an applicant for the position of Director of Public Works. She stated that it was the recommendation of the District Attorney to do a roll call vote. President Barrios then asked the Parish Administrator to take a roll call vote.

On a roll call vote, the vote thereon being as follows:

**JOHNSTON**: Paige, Garrett, Roque and Barrios.

**TOWNSEND**: Cox, Huggins, Cloud, Collier and Hoffpauir.

**ABSENT**: Hymes and Masters.

With the vote being five (5) for Townsend and four (4) for Johnston, Mr. Earl Townsend was voted for the position of Director of Public Works.

Motion Carried

President Barrios then recognized Mrs. Roque who presented the report of the Highway Steering-Solid Waste Committee:

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

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Cox, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby table authorizing the Parish Treasurer to remove \$45,000.00 from the inmate care cost with \$25,000.00 of that amount being transferred to Other Charges - Coroner Line Item and \$20,000.00 transferred to Election Expenses Line Item along with removing \$4,213.84 from the President and Jurors Travel line items to the Office Supplies Line Item.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve emergency expenditures from the report of the Director of Public works for the period of July 20, 2006 through August 16, 2006 in the amount of .

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve expenditures for the period of July 20, 2006 through August 16, 2006, in the amount of **\$1,003,177.11.**

Motion Carried

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Charles Cloud then said a prayer before closing.

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

Motion Carried

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Alice Barrios, President

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Catherine Hamilton,  
Parish Administrator