

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF NATCHITOCHES,  
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD, THURSDAY,

January 18, 2007

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 18, 2007 at five o'clock (5:00) 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: Joey Cox, Chris Paige, J. D. Garrett, William Hymes, Charles Huggins, Charles Cloud, Tom Collier, Jessie Hoffpauir, Doug Masters and Gale Potts-Roque.

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 Barrios then stated that the first item of business on the agenda was to elect officers for 2007. She then declared all offices vacant. Mr. Garrett then nominated Mrs. Alice Barrios for President with Mr. Hymes seconding the motion. Since there were no other nominations, the nominations was closed and Mrs. Alice Barrios was re-elected President of the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury for 2007 by acclamation. President Barrios then thanked the Jurors for their support. She then stated that nominations for Vice-President were open. President Barrios then nominated Mr. J. D. Garrett, seconded by Mr. Hymes. Since there were no other nominations, the nominations were closed and Mr. J. D. Garrett was re-elected Vice-President of the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury for 2007 by acclamation. Mr. Garrett then thanked the Jurors for their support.

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Paige, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt the minutes of the regular meeting held Wednesday, December 20, 2006.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Hoffpauir, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve entering into a lease agreement to construct trash compactor stations on the tracts of land listed below with Mr. Sidney B. Evans, Jr. of Sibley Lake Realty and Mr. Sidney B. Evans, III of Cane River Tree Farm, in the amount of \$2,000.00 per year for each site.

**Cane River Tree Farm Location (Off Highway 494)**  
**Ashland - Sibley Lake Realty (Off Oil Field Road)**  
**Hagewood - Sibley Lake Realty (Off Highway 6 West)**

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 approve entering into a contract for professional services with the Louisiana State Fire Marshall to provide code enforcement for the Parish of Natchitoches and adopt fees to provide code enforcement for commercial building permits.

Motion Carried

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On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mrs. Roque, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the LADOTD for a Grant under 49 CFR 5311, Non-Urbanized Area Formula Program and/or 49 CFR 5309, Discretionary Capital Program.

Motion Carried

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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 Natchitoches Parish Public Transit Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, System Safety Program Plan and the System Security Plan.

Motion Carried

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On motion by Mrs. Roque, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, 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 December, 2006.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mrs. Roque, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize the purchasing of two used vans for litter patrol units, not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Paige, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize transferring \$6,000.00 from the sale of surplus equipment funds to the Disability Ramp Fund to close out the program.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Cloud, duly seconded by Mr. Hoffpauir, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize hiring two additional employees for the Parish Highway Department.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Masters, duly seconded by Mr. Cox, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve travel for Mrs. Gale Potts-Roque to attend the March 3-7, 2007 NACo Legislative Conference in the amount of \$2,745.00.

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

YES: Cox, Huggins, Hoffpauir, Masters and Roque.

NO: Garrett, Paige, Hymes, Cloud, Collier and Barrios.

ABSENT: None.

With the vote being five (5) yes and six (6) no, the motion to approve travel for Mrs. Gale Potts-Roque to attend the NACo Legislative Conference failed.

Motion Failed

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution authorizing the advertisement for public bids the construction of State Project No. 305-02-0016, four laning LA Highway 480, Campti, Louisiana.

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 authorize the Parish Planning Director to hire a certified third party provider on a case by case basis for homeowners who act as their own contractor with the fee being paid by the homeowner.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Garrett, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes , 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 December 21, 2006 through January 17, 2007, in the amount of **\$3,150.22.**

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Garrett, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve expenditures for the period of December 21, 2006 through January 17, 2007, in the amount of **\$1,518,541.02.**

Motion Carried

Police Juror Tom Collier then said a prayer before the President closed the meeting.

On motion by Mr. Cox, 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:

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Alice Barrios, President

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Catherine Hamilton,  
Parish Administrator