

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

June 21, 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, June 21, 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 Alice Barrios, President, Police Jurors: Joey Cox, J. D. Garrett, Chris Paige, William Hymes, Charles Huggins, Charles Cloud, Tom Collier, Jessie Hoffpauir, and Doug Masters.

There were absent: Gale Potts-Roque.

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.

On motion by Mr. Masters, 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, May 17, 2006.

Motion Carried

President Barrios then stated that the next item on the agenda was the appointment of someone to the Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission Board due to Mr. Luke Frederick's term expiring in July, 2006. Relative to this, the following action was taken:

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

MRS. RHONDA GAUTHIER: None.

MRS. ELLA MARIE HARRIS: Cox, Paige, Garrett, Hymes, Huggins, Cloud, Collier, Hoffpauir, Masters and Barrios.

REV. DOYLE L. BAILEY: None.

With the vote being ten (10) for Mrs. Ella Marie Harris and none for the other applicants, Mrs. Harris was appointed to the Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission.

On motion by Mr. Paige, 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 the levying of taxes for the year 2006 as follows:

Adopt the adjusted millage rates
for the tax year 2006.

Adopt the adjusted millage rates
after reassessment and roll forward
the millage to a rate not to exceed
the prior year's maximum millage
for the year 2003.

Motion Carried

President Barrios then declared the Public Hearing open. She then asked if there were any comments or objections relative to the rolling forward of millage rates. After a few brief comments, the following action was taken:

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

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Huggins, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt the adjusted millage rates for the tax year 2006.

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

YEAS: Cox, Garrett, Hymes, Huggins, Cloud, Collier, Masters,
And Barrios.

NAYS: Paige and Hoffpauir.

ABSENT: Potts-Roque.

With the vote being **eight (8) yes votes** to roll forward **and two (2) no votes**, the motion to adopt the adjusted millage rates for the tax year 2006 passed.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Huggins, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt the adjusted millage rates after reassessment and roll forward the millage to a rate not to exceed the prior year's maximum millage for the year 2003.

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

YEAS: Cox, Garrett, Hymes, Huggins, Cloud, Collier, Masters,
And Barrios.

NAYS: Paige and Hoffpauir.

ABSENT: Potts-Roque.

With the vote being **eight (8) yes votes** to roll forward **and two (2) no votes**, the motion to adopt the adjusted millage rates after reassessment and roll forward the millage to a rate not to exceed the prior year's maximum millage for the year 2003 passed.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mrs. Barrios, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby table approving the use of Police Jury employees and equipment after working hours to clean Parish property in Cloutierville to reestablish the Little League Ballpark.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Garrett, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby re-appoint Mr. Calvin Braxton to the Natchitoches Parish Port Commission due his term expiring.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Masters, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby start the process to appoint/reappoint members to the Natchitoches Parish Fire Protection District #5 Board of Directors.

Motion Carried

The Jury then agreed to withdraw Item #9 from the agenda.

On motion by Mr. Hymes, duly seconded by Mr. Paige, 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 May, 2006.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Collier, duly seconded by Mr. Hymes, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize the submittal of an application through the Natchitoches Regional Medical Center Foundation for disability ramps.

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 rescind the motion combining the job positions of the Director of Public Works and Solid Waste Superintendent and approving to keep each department separate.

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

YEAS: Cox, Paige, Garrett, Hymes, Huggins, Cloud, Collier, Hoffpauir and Masters.

NAYS: Barrios.

ABSENT: Potts-Roque.

With the vote being **nine (9) yes** and **one (1) no**, the motion to rescind the motion combining the job positions of the Director of Public Works and Solid Waste Superintendent and approving to keep each department separate **passed**.

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 adopt a resolution with the Jury as the legal recipient of the LCDBG-ED funds to authorize certain actions and individuals to perform certain functions designated by the State of Louisiana.

Motion Carried

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 a resolution designating the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury Office of Community Services as the official public agency to administer funds to the poor and necessitous in Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana, and authorize Sharon Harris, Executive Director, to sign any and all contracts, reports, requests for funds, and/or any other documents necessary to provide the above services on behalf of the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Huggins, duly seconded by Mr. Paige, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby adopt a resolution authorizing the award of a contract for the construction of an interconnection waterline between the Village of Saline Water System and the Chestnut-Readhimer Water System to the low bidder Womack Trenching of Harrisonburg, Louisiana in the amount of \$110,200.00.

Motion Carried

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President Barrios then recognized Mr. Doug Masters, 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. Collier, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby authorize starting the process to set a Public Hearing to remove all or a portion of P. R. #528, the Ray Carpenter Road, from the Parish Road System.

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 starting the process to remove 300 feet or 0.058 mile of P. R. #576, the Olive Road.

Motion Carried

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

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 emergency expenditures from the report of the Director of Public works for the period of May 18, 2006 through June 21, 2006 in the amount of \$2,550.67.

Motion Carried

On motion by Mr. Paige, duly seconded by Mr. Masters, that the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, in regular and legal session convened, does hereby approve expenditures for the period of May 18, 2006 through June 21, 2006, in the amount of \$699,683.07.

Motion Carried

President Barrios then asked Mr. Cloud to say a prayer before closing.

Since there were no other business to discuss, the following action was taken:

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:

Alice Barrios, President

Catherine Hamilton,
Parish Administrator