

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY, PARISH OF OUACHITA,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON,
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2017 AT 5:45 P.M.**

The Police Jury of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana met in a regular session in the Ouachita Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Monroe, Louisiana on Monday, January 23, 2017 at 5:45 p.m., and was duly convened by Mr. Scotty Robinson, President.

The invocation was given by the president. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by the president.

<u>Members Present</u>	(4)
Scotty Robinson	District A
Jack Clampit	District B
Shane Smiley	District E
Pat Moore	District F
<u>Members Absent</u>	(2)
Walt Caldwell	District C
Ollibeth Reddix	District D

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The president asked if there were any additions or amendments to the agenda. The president asked to add Bill Boles as a visitor. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed without opposition.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The president asked for public comments on the agenda as approved. No one came forth at this point in the meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes of the regular Police Jury meeting including the committee meetings held on January 9, 2017 was offered by Mr. Clampit seconded by Ms. Moore. Motion passed without opposition.

VISITORS:

The president recognized Bill Boles with the Boles Law Firm. Mr. Boles stated that his firm is a local bond firm and stated that he would like the opportunity to serve as bond counsel for the Police Jury on the East Ouachita Economic Development District tax. No action was taken at this time.

ENGINEERING REPORT:

The president recognized Mr. Crosby, Engineer. Mr. Crosby presented the bid results for Slocum Road and stated that the low bid was from Diamond B Construction with a bid amount of \$1,419,370.10. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Clampit to award the contract to Diamond B Construction and authorize the president to sign all necessary documents. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Crosby requested approval to advertise for bids for Caples Road. Motion offered by Mr. Clampit, seconded by Mr. Robinson to authorize Mr. Crosby to advertise for bids for Caples Road. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding River Styx Pump Station and requested approval to submit an application to Capital Outlay. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit to authorize Mr. Crosby to submit an application to Capital Outlay for the River Styx Pump Station. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding Crocker Lane and stated that the notice to proceed will be issued for February 13.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding Forty Oaks Farm Road and stated that the preliminary plans have been submitted.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding Parker Road and stated that his office is working on the design at this time.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding hazard mitigation projects and stated that the next submittal for projects will be February 13.

Mr. Crosby updated the Jury on the FEMA projects.

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Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit to recess the regular meeting in favor of the finance committee meeting. Motion passed without opposition.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The president called the finance committee meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

The president recognized Mr. Cammack, Treasurer. Mr. Cammack presented the claim statement for the period of December 16, 2016 through January 19, 2017 and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit to approve payment of the claims for the period stated as recommended by the Treasurer. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack requested approval of the compliance questionnaire for the 2016 fiscal audit. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Ms. Moore to approve the compliance questionnaire. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack requested to transfer the following fixed assets to the Assessor's office: assets 2284, 2474, 7695, 8484, 9401, 13949, 14277, 14278, 14279, 14280, 14285, 14286, 14287, 14288, 14289, 14290, 14291, 14292, 14293, 14704 and 14826. This action would document the ownership and location of these assets for inventory purposes. Motion offered by Mr. Clampit, seconded by Ms. Moore to transfer the assets as requested. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack requested to transfer assets 12777 and 12971 from the Health Unit to the Permit Office and for the Permit Office to pay the Health Unit \$300 for the assets. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Smiley to transfer the assets as requested. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack requested approval to reimburse Mr. Clampit for mileage for attending meetings in Shreveport and Kenner. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Smiley to approve the mileage reimbursement. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack requested to purchase a Ford F-150 truck for courthouse maintenance for \$32,508. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Robinson to approve the purchase of the truck. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack presented the bid results for the Green Oaks first quarter food and food products and stated that the lowest conforming bid was from Lamm Food Services for \$23,809.87. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Clampit to award the bid to Lamm Food Services. Motion passed without opposition.

There being no further business to come before this committee, a motion to adjourn the finance committee meeting and enter into the East Ouachita Economic Development District meeting was offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit. Motion passed without opposition. The finance committee meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

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EAST OUACHITA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The president called the East Ouachita Economic Development District meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Clampit offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-07

A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE EAST OUACHITA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF A SALES AND USE TAX THEREIN; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the East Ouachita Economic Development District (the "District"), that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6-A and Chapter 6-B of the Louisiana Election Code, Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the LARS of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the District on **SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017**, between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m., and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

SALES TAX PROPOSITION

Shall the East Ouachita Economic Development District (the "District"), be authorized to levy a tax of 1.39% (the "Tax") for a period of twenty-five (25) years, commencing July 1, 2017, upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and on sales of services within the Parish as defined by law (an estimated \$2,650,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), with the proceeds of the Tax (after paying costs of collecting the Tax) to be dedicated and used for the purposes of undertaking economic development projects consisting of road, drainage and related infrastructure improvements for the benefit of the District?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the *Ouachita Citizen*, a newspaper of general circulation within the District, published in West Monroe, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the District, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to the publication of the Notice of Election, the President is authorized and directed to make any amendments to the foregoing proposition that may be required to comply with any state or federal regulatory agencies.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, 301 S. Grand Street, Monroe, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017**, at **FIVE-THIRTY O'CLOCK (5:30) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held on Monday, May 15, 2017, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the District will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Recording Secretary of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the President and/or Recording Secretary of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of Ouachita Parish and the Registrar of Voters of Ouachita Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to levy and collect the sales and use tax provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

SECTION 9. Additional Notice Requirement. This Governing Authority made the announcement with respect to the adoption of this resolution required by La. R.S. 42:19.1, at its public meeting on Monday, December 5, 2016 and published said announcement in the Official Journal on Thursday, December 15, 2016.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Ms. Nicholson with the Monroe Chamber of Commerce stated that the Chamber will support the tax and help the Jury encourage the public to pass the tax.

Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Robinson to recess the East Ouachita Economic Development District meeting and reconvene the regular meeting. The East Ouachita Economic Development District meeting was recessed at 6:41 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS:

ADJOURN!

MOTIONS * ORDINANCES * RESOLUTIONS:

MR. SCOTTY ROBINSON, DISTRICT A:

Mr. Robinson asked Mr. Cammack to speak regarding the Family Justice Center Grant Memorandum of Understanding. Mr. Cammack stated that the Family Justice Center receives a grant from the Department of Justice and needs approval from the Police Jury for local government cooperation. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Smiley to approve the renewal of the Arrest Grant from the Department of Justice and to authorize the president to sign the grant and Memorandum of Understanding. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Clampit offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-08

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MATCHING FUNDS FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY FUNDING OF THE HANNAH'S RUN CONTROL STRUCTURE FP&C PROJECT NO. 50-J37-15-01

WHEREAS, the Capital Outlay Act 26 of 2015 adopted in accordance with Article VII, Section 6 of the Louisiana Constitution, is the comprehensive capital outlay budget required by said Article VII, Section 6, and contains an appropriation for Ouachita Parish, entitled Hannah's Run Control Structure (hereinafter, the PROJECT), in the total amount of \$500,000, which appropriation requires a 25% local fund match from Ouachita Parish in the amount of \$166,667.00; and

WHEREAS, the Omnibus Bond Act of the Louisiana Legislature (OBA), adopted in accordance with Article VII, Section 6 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, provides for the issuances by the State Bond Commission of State General Obligation Bonds for the projects contained in the Act including the PROJECT, which bonds are to be secured by a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State, as well as by monies dedicated to and paid into the Security and Redemption Fund as provided in Article VII, Section 9 of the Constitution, which authorization includes the issuance, if applicable, of State General Obligation Bonds for the PROJECT (Project Bonds); and

WHEREAS, the State appropriated State General Fund (Direct) or other sources of cash for the PROJECT or the Bond Commission did grant a cash line of credit and/or a non-cash line of credit for the PROJECT in the amount of \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that all of the funds appropriated, in the absence of express language to the contrary, shall be considered as having been appropriated directly to FP&C and shall be administered by FP&C under a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Local Entity (Ouachita Parish); and

WHEREAS, the appropriation will be applied towards construction of the PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, in order to secure State Funds, it is necessary to designate an official of the Parish of Ouachita to act on behalf of the Parish of Ouachita in all matters pertaining to the PROJECT, including certifying requests for State disbursements.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, acting as governing authority of said Parish:

SECTION 1. That the President of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, or in his absence the Vice-President, is hereby authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the State of Louisiana, Office of Facility Planning and Control (FP&C) and the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, to secure \$500,000.00 in Capital Outlay Cash towards improving Hannah's Run Drainage Control Structure (Planning and Construction), FP&C Project No. 50-J37-15-01.

SECTION 2. That the required local matching funds of \$166,667 for the PROJECT be hereby dedicated from Ouachita Parish Police Jury Drainage Improvement general funds.

SECTION 3. That Kevin Crosby, Parish Engineer has been designated to act on behalf of the Parish of Ouachita in all matters pertaining to the PROJECT, including certifying requests for State disbursements but excluding any matter that requires Police Jury approval which will be signed by the Police Jury President.

The above resolution was adopted on the 23rd day of January, 2017.

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Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Clampit offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-09

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MATCHING FUNDS FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY FUNDING OF THE STEEP BAYOU GRAVITY SEWER TRUNK LINE – PHASE 1 PLANNING, CONSTRUCTION, RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITIONS FP&C PROJECT NO. 50-J37-16-01

WHEREAS, the Capital Outlay Act 16 of 2016 adopted in accordance with Article VII, Section 6 of the Louisiana Constitution, is the comprehensive capital outlay budget required by said Article VII, Section 6, and contains an appropriation for Ouachita Parish, entitled Steep Bayou Gravity Sewer Trunk Line – Phase 1 Planning, Construction, Right of Way Acquisitions (hereinafter, the PROJECT), in the total amount of \$500,000, which appropriation requires a 25% local fund match from Ouachita Parish in the amount of \$166,667.00; and

WHEREAS, the Omnibus Bond Act of the Louisiana Legislature (OBA), adopted in accordance with Article VII, Section 6 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, provides for the issuances by the State Bond Commission of State General Obligation Bonds for the projects contained in the Act including the PROJECT, which bonds are to be secured by a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State, as well as by monies dedicated to and paid into the Security and Redemption Fund as provided in Article VII, Section 9 of the Constitution, which authorization includes the issuance, if applicable, of State General Obligation Bonds for the PROJECT (Project Bonds); and

WHEREAS, the State appropriated State General Fund (Direct) or other sources of cash for the PROJECT or the Bond Commission did grant a cash line of credit and/or a non-cash line of credit for the PROJECT in the amount of \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that all of the funds appropriated, in the absence of express language to the contrary, shall be considered as having been appropriated directly to FP&C and shall be administered by FP&C under a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Local Entity (Ouachita Parish); and

WHEREAS, the appropriation will be applied towards construction of the PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, in order to secure State Funds, it is necessary to designate an official of the Parish of Ouachita to act on behalf of the Parish of Ouachita in all matters pertaining to the PROJECT, including certifying requests for State disbursements.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, acting as governing authority of said Parish:

SECTION 1. That the President of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, or in his absence the Vice-President, is hereby authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the State of Louisiana, Office of Facility Planning and Control (FP&C) and the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, to secure \$500,000.00 in Capital Outlay Cash towards Steep Bayou Gravity Sewer Trunk Line – Phase 1 Planning, Construction, Right of Way Acquisitions, FP&C Project No. 50-J37-16-01.

SECTION 2. That the required local matching funds of \$166,667 and any other amount necessary for the completion of the PROJECT be hereby dedicated from Ouachita Parish Police Jury general funds.

SECTION 3. That Kevin Crosby, Parish Engineer has been designated to act on behalf of the Parish of Ouachita in all matters pertaining to the PROJECT, including certifying requests for State disbursements but excluding any matter that requires Police Jury approval which will be signed by the Police Jury President.

The above resolution was adopted on the 23rd day of January, 2017.

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The president recognized Mr. Clampit, District B.

MR. JACK CLAMPIT, DISTRICT B:

Mr. Clampit, seconded by Mr. Robinson offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-10

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JAMIE HUDNALL TO THE CHENIERE LAKE CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF LUKE LANDRY WHO RESIGNED FROM SAID BOARD; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the resignation of Luke Landry has created a vacancy on the Cheniere Lake Citizens' Advisory Committee;

WHEREAS, Jamie Hudnall has expressed a desire to serve as a member of the Cheniere Lake Citizens' Advisory Committee;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Jamie Hudnall, 448 Pace Road, West Monroe, LA 71292, be and hereby is appointed as a member of the Cheniere Lake Citizens' Advisory Committee to serve the unexpired term of Luke Landry, said term of office to end on March 6, 2020.

The above resolution was adopted on the 23rd day of January, 2017.

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Mr. Clampit, seconded by Mr. Robinson offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-11

A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN ROAD LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 47 (THE HEDGES SUBDIVISION) OF THE PARISH OF OUACHITA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A SPECIAL TAX THEREIN; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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After discussion the consideration of this motion was deferred pending a decision on whether to call an election on the same day, April 29, 2017, in the East Ouachita Economic Development District.

Mr. Clampit, seconded by Mr. Robinson offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-12

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CERTAIN RENTAL FEES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE RESERVATION AND USE OF THE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE (“RV”) SITES AT CHENIERE LAKE PARK AREA 1; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, in an effort to improve utilization of the Recreational Vehicle (“RV”) sites available for rental at Cheniere Lake Park Area 1, the Cheniere Lake Citizens Advisory Committee undertook a study of the rates and regulations of other area facilities offering similar amenities;

WHEREAS, after research and consideration said Advisory Committee has recommended that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury adjust the rental rates at Cheniere Lake Park to more closely match the rates of similar area facilities and to more accurately reflect the value of the amenities available at Cheniere Lake Park Area 1;

WHEREAS, in order to make these RV spaces available for more members of the travelling public and to improve the overall operation of Cheniere Lake Park Area 1, the Advisory Committee has also recommended that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury establish certain regulations and limitations on the rental of said RV spaces; and.

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury finds that the adoption of these recommendations is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury hereby establishes the rental rate for the RV spaces at Cheniere Lake Park Area 1 to be Thirty Dollars per day (\$30/day), to be paid in advance;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury hereby establishes the maximum stay for guests using any RV space at Cheniere Lake Park Area 1 to be fourteen (14) consecutive days.

The above resolution was adopted on the 23rd day of January, 2017.

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The president recognized Mr. Smiley, District E.

MR. SHANE SMILEY, DISTRICT E:

Mr. Smiley stated that he did not have any items.

The president recognized Ms. Moore, District F.

MS. PAT MOORE, DISTRICT F:

Ms. Moore stated that she did not have any items.

Motion offered by Mr. Clampit, seconded by Mr. Smiley to recess the regular meeting and reconvene the East Ouachita Economic Development District meeting. The East Ouachita Economic Development District meeting was reconvened at 6:47 p.m.

At this point further discussion ensued regarding whether Resolution No. 17-07 should be adopted to call a sales tax election in the District on April 29, 2017, as moved by Mr. Robinson and seconded by Mr. Clampit prior to the recess of the meeting. Mr. Robinson called the matter for a vote.

Resolution No. 17-07 was submitted to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:	(2)	Mr. Jack Clampit, District B; Ms. Pat Moore, District F.
NAYS:	(2)	Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Shane Smiley, District E
ABSTAIN:	(0)	
ABSENT:	(2)	Mr. Walt Caldwell, District C; Dr. Ollibeth Reddix, District D

The motion failed.

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Motion offered Mr. Smiley, seconded Mr. Clampit to adjourn the East Ouachita Economic Development District meeting and reconvene the regular meeting.

Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit to ratify and adopt all actions taken in the committee meetings. Motion passed without opposition.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The president recognized Mr. Lott, 911 Office. Mr. Lott requested to promote Chiffon Meeks from part-time to full-time call-taker. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Smiley to approve the promotion. Motion passed without opposition.

At this point in the meeting Mr. Mitchell recommended that in light of the Jury's decision not to call an election in the East Ouachita Economic Development District on April 29, 2017, it should reconsider Resolution No. 17-11 calling an election in Road Lighting District No. 47 on that date. Mr. Clampit amended his motion to direct that the necessary steps be taken to call an election in Road Lighting District No. 47 in the fall of 2017. Mr. Robinson seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Cammack, Treasurer. Mr. Cammack stated that he did not have any items.

The president recognized Chief Hemphill, Fire Department. Chief Hemphill stated that he did not have any items.

The president recognized Mr. Mitchell, Assistant District Attorney. Mr. Mitchell indicated that Jury approval would be needed to correspond with DEQ regarding a public hearing on air permit application 2160-00161-V4. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Clampit to authorize Mr. Mitchell to correspond with DEQ requesting the hearing. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Murray, Public Works Director. Mr. Murray requested to purchase the following vehicles on the City of Alexandria's contract: ½ ton four wheel drive truck for \$33,941; ½ ton four wheel drive truck for \$34,213; a fifteen passenger van for \$29,790. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Smiley to approve the purchase of vehicles. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Murray requested to promote Kenneth Ellis from Equipment Operator I to Equipment Operator II. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Clampit to approve the promotion. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Murray requested to hire Brooke Arceneaux to the position of public works secretary. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Clampit to hire Brooke Arceneaux. Motion passed without opposition.

BEER AND WHISKEY APPLICATIONS:

Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the following beer and whiskey application and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit to approve the following application as recommended. Motion passed without opposition.

- 1) MCGEHEE, LYNDA DBA SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR OUACHITA COUNCIL ON AGING INC., LOCATION 228 CAREY NELSON RD ON MARCH 23-25, 2017 - CLASS A BEER PERMIT & CLASS C LIQUOR PERMIT**

Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the following beer and whiskey application and recommended approval subject to receiving the health permit. Motion offered by Mr. Clampit, seconded by Mr. Smiley to approve the following application as recommended. Motion passed without opposition.

- 2) WHITTINGTON, CLAUDE WHITTINGTON ENTERPRISES LLC DBA U-PAK-IT SOUTH, 2005 MARTIN LUTHER KING DRIVE, MONROE, LA 71202, RETAIL BEER "CLASS B", RETAIL LIQUOR "CLASS D", 2017 NEW OWNER**

Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the following bottle club application and recommended denying the application due to a common understanding that the building is located in the Town of Richwood. Mr. Mitchell explained the circumstances of the property and the history of the business operated at that location. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Smiley to deny the following application as recommended. Motion passed without opposition.

- 3) THAXTON, KESHANTA DBA PC'S LOUNGE, 3103 HADLEY STREET, MONROE, LA 71202, AFTER HOURS, 2017 NEW**

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no other business to come before the Jury, a motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Scotty Robinson, President

Karen Cupit, Recording Secretary