

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY, PARISH OF OUACHITA,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON, MONDAY, JULY 19, 2010 AT 5:33 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, July 19, 2010, at 5:33 p.m., and was duly convened by Mr. Shane Smiley, President, who stated that the Police Jury was ready for the transaction of business.

<u>Members Present</u>	(6)
Charles Jackson	District A
Mack Calhoun	District B
Walt Caldwell	District C
Ollibeth Reddix	District D
Shane Smiley	District E
Pat Moore	District F

<u>Members Absent</u>	(0)
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Charles Jackson, District A juror gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Ms. Moore to adopt the minutes of the July 6, 2010 with corrections and clarifications on page 11 as noted. Motion passed with Mr. Jackson abstaining.

The president asked if there were any additional items to be added to the agenda or changes to the agenda. There were none. A motion to approve the agenda was offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Calhoun. Motion passed without opposition.

PUBLIC HEARING:

The president convened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 8963- an ordinance amending Section 14-1, establishing the speed limit on Pencie Murphy Road at twenty-five (25) miles per hour; and further providing with respect thereto. No one appeared to speak in favor of or against the ordinance. Motion to close the public hearing was offered by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Calhoun. Motion passed without opposition.

VISITORS:

The president stated that the order of the visitors would be changed and recognized visitor Earnest Wyatt. Mr. Earnest Wyatt of 244 Weatherford Road spoke regarding the need for natural gas for the residents along Weatherford Road. Mr. Wyatt presented a petition to the jury soliciting support for construction of a natural gas line along the road. Mr. Mitchell stated that he would forward a letter on behalf of the jury to Atmos Energy and the Public Service Commission in support of this effort. No other action was taken on this matter.

The president recognized William Guy, 1106 Hilton Street, Monroe. Mr. Guy spoke regarding the Sustainable Communities Planning Grant. Mr. Guy stated that the grant was a plan to establish and provide a master plan for the parish. Mr. Guy stated that the submission date is August 23, 2010. A lengthy discussion ensued. Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Caldwell offered the following resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-36

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REGIONAL PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2010; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, The Department of Housing and Urban Development provides up to \$1,000,000 in funds to the Monroe MSA for grants to local, and nonprofit organizations to develop a Sustainable Communities Regional Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury supports the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program within the Monroe MSA; and

WHEREAS, said procedures require the Ouachita Parish Police Jury to certify by resolution the approval of the application before the submission of said application;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, does hereby:

1. Approve the filing of an application with The Department of Housing and Urban Development;
2. Approve the City of Monroe as the lead applicant with the responsibility for the administration of the program within the Monroe MSA and setting up necessary procedures governing the project under the program;
3. Approve that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury entering into a formal consortium agreement no later than 120 days after the effective start date of the grant agreement; and,
4. Authorize its President to execute such documents as are required to carry out the subject of this Resolution.

The above Resolution was adopted on this 19th day of July, 2010.

The president recognized Ms. Catherine Benjamin of Supreme Home Health. Ms. Cassandra Cheffin of 119 Breland Drive, Monroe spoke on behalf of Ms. Benjamin. Ms. Cheffin spoke regarding the Housing Physical Accessibility Grant and expressed the need for the grant. The president indicated that the matter was on Ms. Moore's agenda and asked that the jury address this matter at this time. No one had an issue addressing the matter at this time.

Ms. Moore spoke regarding the matter and offered a motion to accept the grant in the amount of \$89,050, and authorize Mr. Gary Fontana to manage the grant. Ms. Moore explained to the jury the benefits of the grants and who was eligible for the grant. Ms. Moore asked Mr. Fontana to speak on the matter. Mr. Fontana spoke regarding the matter and discussed the process in applying for the grant. A lengthy discussion ensued. Mr. Calhoun asked whether or not it was legal to vote on the grant. Mr. Mitchell explained to the jury that it was legal to vote on the grant at this time. Ms. Moore, seconded by Dr. Reddix to accept the Housing Physical Accessibility Block Grant in the amount of \$89,050, and authorize Mr. Gary Fontana to manage the grant, offered the motion again. A lengthy discussion ensued again. After discussion the president asked for a roll call vote. The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Calhoun, Reddix, Moore
NAYS: Jackson, Caldwell, Smiley
ABSTAIN: None

The motion failed due to a tie vote.

Mr. Cammack asked that the jury address at this time the matter regarding the CDGB Grant for Gary and Lilac Streets since Mr. Fontana was present. The president asked whether or not any member had a problem taking up the matter at this time and noted that it was an item on Mr. Calhoun's agenda. No one had an issue addressing the matter at this time. Mr. Fontana spoke regarding the grant. Motion offered by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Mr. Jackson to accept the grant for CDBG Grant for Gary and Lilac Streets. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Chris Fisher of Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Fisher spoke regarding the tax lien on properties donated by the city for the building of homes. Mr. Larry Head, Executive Director of the program spoke regarding the matter. Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the tax lien on the properties and asked that the jury consider waiving the tax lien on the properties in the amount of approximately \$8570.00. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Mitchell stated that this item was on his agenda and asked that the jury consider addressing the matter at this time. No one had an issue with taking up the matter at this time. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Caldwell to waive the back taxes on the nine properties listed below and authorize the president to sign the quitclaim documents. Motion passed without opposition. The addresses of the parcels are 4109 Dunlop Street, 3725 Barlow Street, 3708 Barlow Street, 3704 Barlow Street, 761 Bryant

Street, 3912 Gayton Street; 1304 Sherrouse Street; 4106 Owl Street, and 3800 Gayton Street.

The president recognized Frances Huffman of Luffey, Huffman, Ragsdale & Soignier, APAC. Mr. Huffman spoke regarding the 2009 Financial Audit. Mr. Huffman stated that the parish had been given an unqualified opinion on its 2009 audit. Mr. Huffman presented an overview of the entire audit and the report. Discussion ensued. No action was taken on this matter.

The president requested a motion to recess the regular meeting in favor of the Finance Committee meeting. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Jackson to recess the regular meeting and convene as the Finance Committee. Motion passed without opposition.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The chairman, Mr. Jackson called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and recognized Mr. Cammack.

Mr. Cammack presented the claims for the period of June 18, 2010 through July 15, 2010 and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Smiley to approve the claims as recommended. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack spoke regarding the bid tabulations for aggregates and recommended the for Group A – Century Ready Mix, Group B - Big River Industries, Group C – R. E. Bentz, Inc., and Group D – R. E. Bentz, Inc. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Dr. Reddix to accept the recommendations of the treasurer for the bid tabulation for aggregates. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack spoke regarding the Energy Efficiency Grant. Mr. Cammack stated that the mechanical engineer, T. Hardy Hays had presented his report and recommended the following improvements for the Energy Efficiency Grant Project. Those items include, light fixture replacement, fan coil unit replacement, chiller replacement, converting the 3rd floor annex to roof top air conditioning, and high pressure double duct system for the annex building. Discussion ensued. Mr. Cammack stated that \$460,000 was available in grant monies, and recommended that the jury replace existing fan coils within the courthouse, install rooftop air conditioning units on the 3rd floor of the annex and change out the 8 mixing boxes in the annex. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Dr. Reddix to accept the Treasurer's recommendations for the Energy Efficiency Grant Project. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack spoke briefly regarding the audit and asked that the jury accept the 2009 Financial Audit as presented. Discussion ensued. Motion offered by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Caldwell to accept the 2009 Financial Audit as presented with the findings and the responses to the findings. Motion passed without opposition.

A motion to adjourn the finance committee meeting was offered by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Caldwell. The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

The president requested a motion to reconvene the regular meeting. A motion to reconvene the regular meeting was offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Dr. Reddix. Motion passed without opposition.

MOTIONS * ORDINANCES * RESOLUTIONS:

The president recognized Mr. Jackson, District A.

MR. CHARLES JACKSON, DISTRICT A:

Mr. Jackson offered the following ordinance for introduction only.

**ORDINANCE NO. 8965
(Introduction)**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-1, ESTABLISHING THE SPEED LIMIT ON OLE HWY 15 AT FORTY-FIVE (45) MILES PER HOUR; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the establishment of a uniform speed limit of forty-five miles-per-hour (45 mph) for the entire length of Ole Hwy 15 is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Section 14-1 of the Compiled Ordinances of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, be and hereby amended as follows, to-wit:

Section 14.1 Speed Limits

Ole Hwy 15-45 miles per hour

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Notice of this proposed speed limit be published in the Official Journal of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury and a Public Hearing be held to hear comments from all interested parties.

The above ordinance was introduced on the 19th day of July 2010.

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Mr. Jackson asked Mr. Murray to speak regarding the posted speed limit on Good Hope Road. Mr. Murray stated that the speed limit was 35 miles per hour and signs were in place. No other action was taken on this matter.

Mr. Jackson asked Mr. Holtzclaw to speak regarding Green Springs Flood Control Project. Mr. Holtzclaw indicated that he had nothing new to report on the project. Mr. Holtzclaw stated that he hoped to have something to report at the next meeting of the jury.

Mr. Jackson asked Mr. Cammack to speak regarding the status of the smoke detectors in the courthouse. Mr. Cammack stated that he had been working with Bill Land, Architect. Mr. Cammack indicated that bids will go out soon and the work should start sometime in September. Mr. Jackson asked that the matter be placed back on the next Finance Committee meeting.

The president recognized Mr. Calhoun, District B.

MR. MACK CALHOUN, DISTRICT B:

Mr. Calhoun spoke regarding the LGAP Grants and asked if there were any funds available. Discussion ensued. Mr. Cammack indicated that applications for new LGAP Grant funding would be available at the end of the month.

Mr. Calhoun asked Mr. Holtzclaw to speak regarding the Cheniere Lake Area 3 Bathrooms. Mr. Holtzclaw presented change order #1 and a final change order for the project and indicated that the change orders were needed due to price increases. In addition, Mr. Holtzclaw commented on minor items that needed to be addressed by the contractor and recommended that the jury accept the project as substantially complete. Discussion ensued. Motion offered by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Dr. Reddix to approve the change order with expenses to be paid from the Cheniere Lake Fund and to accept the Cheniere Lake Area 3 Bathroom Project as substantially complete authorizing the president to sign the necessary documents. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Holtzclaw stated that the jury needed to establish hours of use for the facility. Discussion ensued. Motion offered by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Dr. Reddix to set the hours for the facility from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Ms. Moore offered the following ordinance for final adoption.

**ORDINANCE NO. 8963
(FINAL)**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-1, ESTABLISHING THE SPEED LIMIT ON PENCIE MURPHY RD AT TWENTY-FIVE (25) MILES PER HOUR; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury has not heretofore established a specific speed limit on Pencie Murphy Road, a parish road located in District B of Ouachita Parish;

WHEREAS, the establishment of a speed limit of twenty-five miles-per-hour (25 mph) on Pencie Murphy Road is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Section 14-1 of the Compiled Ordinances of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, be and hereby amended as follows, to-wit:

Section 14.1 Speed Limits

Pencie Murphy Road - 25 miles per hour

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Notice of this proposed speed limit be published in the Official Journal of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury and a Public Hearing be held to hear comments from all interested parties.

The above ordinance was introduced on the 6th day of July 2010.

The ordinance was submitted to a roll call vote and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS	(6)
NAYS	(0)
ABSTAIN	(0)
ABSENT	(0)

The Ordinance was adopted this 19th day of July 2010.

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Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-33

A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING CURT MEACHUM TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KEEP OUACHITA PARISH BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE; FOR TERMS OF THREE (3) YEARS BEGINNING JULY 19, 2010 AND ENDING JULY 19, 2013; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the term for has expired, however, he desires to remain as a member on said Board.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Curt Meachum, 303 Aulds Chapel Road, Downsville, Louisiana 71234, be and he is hereby appointed to serve on the Board of Commissioners of Keep Ouachita Parish Beautiful Committee for a term of three (3) years beginning July 19, 2010 and ending July 19, 2013.

The above Resolution was adopted on the 19th day of July 2010.

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The president recognized Mr. Caldwell, District C.

MR. WALT CALDWELL, DISTRICT C:

Mr. Caldwell asked Mr. Murray to speak regarding the re-opening of Power Avenue. Mr. Murray indicated that the state was reviewing the area. Discussion ensued. Mr. Caldwell asked that Mr. Murray request that the state considered rerouting Power Avenue into Solvent Avenue.

Mr. Caldwell asked Mr. Murray to speak regarding the rainwater permit for Hwy 2 and Power Avenue. Mr. Murray stated that he had no information on this item. A brief discussion ensued. After discussion, no action was taken on this matter.

Mr. Caldwell introduced the following ordinance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 8964
(Introduction)**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-1, ESTABLISHING THE SPEED LIMIT ON POWER AVENUE AT FIFTEEN (15) MILES PER HOUR; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury has not heretofore established a specific speed limit on Power Avenue, a parish road located in District C of Ouachita Parish;

WHEREAS, the establishment of a speed limit of fifteen miles-per-hour (15 mph) on Power Avenue is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Section 14-1 of the Compiled Ordinances of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, be and hereby amended as follows, to-wit:

Section 14.1 Speed Limits

Power Avenue – 15 miles per hour

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Notice of this proposed speed limit be published in the Official Journal of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury and a Public Hearing be held to hear comments from all interested parties.

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Mr. Caldwell asked Mr. Murray to speak regarding the dumping on the property located near Power Avenue. Mr. Mitchell stated that the property was owned by the school board and was being used as a staging area for construction projects. Mr. Murray stated that he had contacted the Town of Sterlington to see if they had a need for the dirt. No other action was taken on the matter.

Mr. Caldwell asked Mr. Holtzclaw to speak regarding the drainage issues within Treasure Island Subdivision. Mr. Holtzclaw indicated that he was waiting on additional survey information and would report back to the jury at its next meeting. No other action was taken on this matter.

Mr. Caldwell asked Mr. Holtzclaw to speak regarding the Bayou Desiard Restoration Project. Mr. Holtzclaw stated that he had spoken with Mr. Gary Walker of the Corps of Engineer about the project, but no progress had been made. Mr. Holtzclaw stated that the city was waiting on correspondence regarding the elevation before acting. Mr. Holtzclaw indicated that he hoped to have something positive to report back at the jury next meeting. No other action was taken on this matter.

Mr. Caldwell asked Mr. Holtzclaw to speak regarding the drainage issues within Frenchmen's Bend and the FEMA Flood Map Update. Mr. Holtzclaw indicated that a meeting could be scheduled at anytime with the homeowner's of Frenchmen's Bend to discuss their drainage issues. Mr. Caldwell asked that Mr. Holtzclaw provide him with the addresses of those homeowners in Frenchmen's Bend that may be affected by the FEMA Flood Map update.

Mr. Holtzclaw spoke regarding the FEMA Flood Map updates and noted the various areas effected. Mr. Holtzclaw stated that a list of the various addresses throughout the parish was being put together and would be available at the next meeting of the jury. No other action was taken on this matter.

Mr. Caldwell asked Mr. Holtzclaw and Mr. Murray to look into possible CDBG Funding for the streets and area in and around Power Avenue.

The president recognized Dr. Reddix, District D.

DR. OLLIBETH REDDIX, DISTRICT D:

Dr. Reddix asked that the matters concerning the Town of Richwood –Road Funding and Recycling be deferred to a later date.

Dr. Reddix asked Mr. Holtzclaw to speak regarding J. S. Clark Cemetery. Mr. Holtzclaw updated the jury on the plans to improve the cemetery, and noted items that could be put out to bid now. Discussion ensued. After discussion, Dr. Reddix asked that Public Works continue to upkeep the property until the plans are completed. No other action was taken on this matter.

MR. SHANE SMILEY, DISTRICT E:

The president asked Mr. Cammack to speak regarding the amendment to the WIA/STEP Contract. Mr. Cammack stated that the amendment increased the amount of the contract from \$19,500 to \$33,112. A brief discussion ensued. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Caldwell to approve the amendment to the WIA/STEP Contract Agreement to \$33,112. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Caldwell offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-34

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING KENT HUGHES TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KEEP OUACHITA PARISH BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS BEGINNING JULY 19, 2010 AND ENDING JULY 19, 2013; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy on the Board of Commissioners of Keep Ouachita Parish Beautiful Committee and Kent Hughes desires to serve as a member of the Board of Commissioners; and

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Kent Hughes, be and he is hereby appointed to serve on the Board of Commissioners of Keep Ouachita Parish Beautiful Committee for a term of three (3) years beginning July 19, 2010, and ending July 19, 2013.

The above Resolution was adopted on this 19th day of July 2010.

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The president recognized Ms. Moore, District F.

MS. PAT MOORE, DISTRICT F:

Ms. Moore introduced the following ordinance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 8966
(Introduction)**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 15, OF THE COMPILED ORDINANCES OF OUACHITA PARISH GOVERNING “OFFENSES -- MISCELLANEOUS” TO REGULATE THE PLACEMENT OF CERTAIN SIGNS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY OR RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF OUACHITA PARISH, LOUISIANA; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, there has been a proliferation in the placement of signs on public property and public rights-of-way in the unincorporated areas of Ouachita Parish;

WHEREAS, such signs are often left in place indefinitely and are detrimental to the environment of the unincorporated areas of Ouachita Parish in many respects, including but not limited to: obstructing the view of motorists, impeding mowing and other public road maintenance, becoming litter, and being generally of an unsightly nature; and,

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury finds that the adoption of reasonable regulations applicable to the placement of signs on public property and public rights-of-way in the unincorporated areas of Ouachita Parish is in the best interests of the citizens of Ouachita Parish;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Chapter 15 of the Compiled Ordinances of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana governing “Offenses -- Miscellaneous” be, and hereby is, supplemented and amended to add Section 15-30, *et seq.* to provide as follows:

Sec. 15-30. Intent and applicability.

The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to all signs, posters or banners, including but not limited to signs less than six (6) square feet in size and signs used to identify candidates in political campaigns, which are of a temporary nature.

Sec. 15-31. Location.

Signs governed by this article shall not be:

- (1) Placed upon public property of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury or any public entity created by said Police Jury;

- (2) Placed upon any public right-of-way of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, including but not limited to boulevards, medians, "neutral" ground, etc.;
- (3) Placed upon any tree, pole, monument or other structure located on any public right-of-way of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury;
- (4) Placed in such a manner as to obscure or otherwise physically interfere with the effectiveness of any official traffic sign, signal or device, or to obstruct or interfere with a driver's view of approaching or intersecting traffic;
- (5) Placed within ten (10) feet of the edge of any parish roadway;
- (6) Placed in any location which would violate any state or federal regulation or law.

Sec. 15-32. Exceptions.

The prohibition set forth in section 3-31(1) shall not apply to signs, poster or banners advertising or identifying activities conducted on the premises upon which they are erected. The prohibitions set forth in this article shall not apply to signs erected for traffic information or control.

Sec. 15-33. Penalties.

Violation of any section or part of this Ordinance shall be punishable as follows:

- (1) Any sign, poster or banner placed in violation of any section or part of this article may be removed by the Ouachita Parish Public Works Department and the cost attributable to such removal may be charged to the person or entity responsible for the activity described on the sign, poster or banner; and
- (2) The person or entity responsible for the activity described on the sign, poster or banner shall be subject to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- (3) Each such sign placed in violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

Sec. 15-34. Enforcement Procedure.

In addition to such other mechanisms available at law, the provisions of this Ordinance may be enforced through the Administrative Adjudication procedure established pursuant to Ouachita Parish Police Jury Ordinance 8786 (adopted September 7, 2004).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Notice of the introduction of this Ordinance and of a public hearing to be held on August 16, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. in the Police Jury Meeting Room on the 2nd Floor of the Ouachita Parish Courthouse prior to the consideration of this Ordinance for adoption be published in the Official Journal on August 5, 2010, and August 12, 2010.

The above Ordinance was introduced on the 19th day of July 2010.

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Ms. Moore asked Deputy Heckford to speak regarding the LGAP Grant for Cameras. Deputy Heckford stated that he had no new information on the grant. Ms. Moore asked that the matter be placed back on the agenda for the next meeting.

Ms. Moore asked that the matter regarding the Grant Consultant be deferred to the next meeting.

Ms. Moore spoke regarding the sign for Huntington Park Subdivision. Mr. Murray stated that he had reviewed the plans and that they appeared to meet parish guidelines. Discussion ensued. After discussion, motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Jackson to grant permission for the sign and authorize Mr. Mitchell to compose a letter approving the sign. Motion passed without opposition.

Ms. Moore spoke regarding the Jackson Street Annexation of properties and the affordable/low income housing project. Ms. Moore asked the jury to authorize the parish attorney to attend the next city council meeting with her to speak on behalf of the area residents in opposition of the project. A lengthy discussion ensued. Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Jackson to allow the parish attorney to accompany her to the city's council meeting to voice her opposition to the annexation of properties located on Jackson Street for a low income housing project. Motion passed without opposition.

Ms. Moore spoke regarding the mush water canal located on Richwood Road No.2. Ms. Moore asked that the matter be placed back on the agenda for the next meeting. No other action was taken.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The president recognized Mr. Cammack, Treasurer.

FISCAL: Mr. Brad Cammack, Treasurer

Mr. Cammack stated that he had no additional items.

The president recognized Chief Hemphill, Fire Department.

FIRE: Chief Pat Hemphill, Fire Department

Chief Hemphill presented the following personnel items and recommended approval.

SICK LEAVE

Hendrix, Michael	Termination of Extended Sick Leave	Effective 06/24/2010
Smith, James	Termination of Sick Leave	Effective 06/29/2010

Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Ms. Moore to approve the personnel action as recommended by the fire chief. Motion passed without opposition.

ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE

Felts, David	Administrative Leave	Effective 6/30/2010
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Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to approve the personnel action as recommended by the chief. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Mitchell, Assistant District Attorney.

LEGAL: Mr. Jay B. Mitchell, Assist. Dist. Attorney

Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding Change Order No. 1 –Turn Lane Project at Ollie Burns Library and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Dr. Reddix to approve Change Order No. 1-Turn Lane Project at Ollie Burns Library in the amount of \$4938.00. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Murray, Public Works Director.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. John Tom Murray, Director

Mr. Murray spoke regarding the preliminary subdivision approval-Virginia Mae Estates Unit 4 and Unit 5 and recommended approval subject to the comments of the engineer. Motion offered by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to approve the preliminary subdivision approval of Virginia Mae Estates, Unit 4 and Unit 5 subject to the comments of the parish engineer and the public works department. Motion passed with Mr. Caldwell abstaining.

Mr. Murray spoke regarding the Variance-Willow Creek Subdivision, Unit 2 located in District B and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Dr. Reddix to approve the variance located in Willow Creek Subdivision, Unit 2 subject to comments of the parish engineer and public works. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Holtzclaw, Engineer.

ROADS & DRAINAGE: Mr. Tom Holtzclaw, Engineer

Mr. Holtzclaw spoke regarding the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Mr. Holtzclaw indicated that addition information had been provided to the Hazard Mitigation Program for the East Town & Country Subdivision Project as well as the Raccoon Bayou Channel Improvement Program. Mr. Holtzclaw stated that he would forward copies to the Treasurer Office to distribute to the jury. No other action was taken on this matter.

Mr. Holtzclaw spoke regarding the OCC Sewer Project and updated the jury on the status of the project. No action was taken on this matter.

Mr. Holtzclaw updated the jury on the ARRA Projects. Mr. Holtzclaw indicated that the projects on Good Hope, Vancil Road, and Louisiana were near completion. Mr. Holtzclaw stated that the projects on Dellwood Drive and Hadley Street would start in about two weeks. Discussion ensued. No action was taken on this matter.

Mr. Holtzclaw spoke briefly regarding Harmon Johnson Rd and Caples Road. No action was taken on the matter.

BEER AND WHISKEY APPLICATIONS:

Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the beer and whiskey application and recommended approval subject to the background check on the spouse. Motion offered by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to approve the application as recommended by the parish attorney. Motion passed with Mr. Caldwell abstaining.

ROY, SAMER N.

**DBA WHITE'S FERRY MART, 4108
WHITES FERRY RD, WEST MONROE,
LA 71291, RETAIL BEER "CLASS B",
RETAIL LIQUOR "CLASS D", 2010
NEW**

There being no other business to come before the jury, a motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Calhoun. The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

ADJOURN!

Shane Smiley, President

Deborah H. Sewell, Recording Secretary

Adopted 8/16/2010