

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY, PARISH OF OUACHITA,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON,
MONDAY, MAY 20, 2013 AT 5:42 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, May 20, 2013 at 5:42 p.m., and was duly convened by Mr. Shane Smiley, President.

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

<u>Members Present</u>	(5)
Scotty Robinson	District A
Mack Calhoun	District B
Walt Caldwell	District C
Shane Smiley	District E
Pat Moore	District F
<u>Members Absent</u>	(1)
Ollibeth Reddix	District D

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The president asked if there were any additions or amendments to the agenda. There were none. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Ms. Moore to approve the agenda as published. 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 May 6, 2013 was offered by Mr. Caldwell seconded by Mr. Robinson. Motion passed without opposition.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

The president convened a public hearing on Ordinance 9013– An ordinance creating Road Lighting District No. 45 within the parish of Ouachita, state of Louisiana, and defining and describing the boundaries thereof. No one appeared to speak in favor of or against said ordinance. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Ms. Moore to close the public hearing. Motion passed without opposition.

The president convened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 9014 – An ordinance revoking that portion of Mouth-Of-Cypress Road located north and west of said road’s easternmost intersection with the south boundary of the SW/4 of the SE/4 of SEC, 3, T15N, R3E; and, further providing with respect thereto. No one appeared to speak in favor of or against said ordinance. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Robinson to close the public hearing. Motion passed without opposition.

VISITORS:

There were none.

ENGINEERING REPORT:

The president recognized Joey Riggan, Lazenby & Associates. Mr. Riggan spoke regarding the T-1A Canal drainage project and stated GNF Management has mailed all of the right-of-way documents to the land owners’ and are working to obtain the land owners’ signatures.

Mr. Riggan spoke regarding Vernon Drive Canal and stated that they are still working on the plans and specifications.

Mr. Riggan spoke regarding the Green Springs project and stated that it was advertised for bids on May 2 and the bid opening will be May 30. Mr. Riggan also stated that there will be a pre-bid conference on Thursday.

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The chairman, Mr. Caldwell, called the finance committee meeting to order at 5:47 p.m. The chairman recognized Mr. Cammack, Treasurer.

Mr. Cammack presented the claim statement for the period of April 12, 2013 through May 16, 2013 and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Ms. Moore to approve the claims for the period stated as recommended by the Treasurer. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack spoke regarding the real estate agent agreement and stated that the tenants moved out of the Raymond Drive house and that there are two people interested in renting the house. Mr. Cammack stated that in the past the Jury contracted with Bill Roark to advertise the property. A brief discussion ensued. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Ms. Moore to table the item at this time. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack spoke regarding the invoices from Lazenby & Associates for the review of roadway for Cheyenne Drive and the drainage study for Unit 4, Frenchman’s Bend Subdivision and stated that he needed approval to spend funds on the projects. Mr. Mitchell stated that Cheyenne Drive is a private road and the land owner’s have petitioned for it to become a public road and that the payment of engineering fees in such cases has been approved by the attorney general. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to approve payment of the

invoice for Cheyenne Drive in the amount of \$5,912.50 to be paid from the General Fund. Motion passed without opposition.

Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to approve payment of the invoice for Frenchman's Bend Subdivision in the amount of \$575 to be paid from the General Fund. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack presented the bid results for the digital audio and video recording system for courtroom 8 and stated that the lowest conforming bid was from Jefferson Audio Video Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$38, 232.83. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Ms. Moore to accept the lowest conforming bid from Jefferson Audio Video Systems, Inc. Motion passed without opposition.

There being no further business to come before this committee the finance committee meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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MOTIONS * ORDINANCES * RESOLUTIONS:

The president recognized Mr. Robinson, District A.

MR. SCOTTY ROBINSON, DISTRICT A:

Mr. Robinson spoke regarding Stan Wall Road and asked that it be considered for the road program.

Mr. Robinson asked that the matter concerning the Wallace Dean development be deferred until the next meeting of the Jury.

Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Smiley offered the following ordinance for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 9013

AN ORDINANCE CREATING ROAD LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 45 WITHIN THE PARISH OF OUACHITA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AND DEFINING AND DESCRIBING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF

WHEREAS, Chapter 7, Title 48 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, authorizes parish governing authorities to create road lighting districts; and

WHEREAS, this Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana, now wishes to create a road lighting district within the Parish with such boundaries as are hereinafter set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1: By virtue of the authority conferred by Chapter 7, Title 48 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a Road Lighting District be and the same is hereby created within the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana, which Road Lighting District shall comprise and embrace all of that territory within CREEKSTONE PLACE SUBDIVISION as recorded in the Conveyance Records of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.

SECTION 2: The Road Lighting District hereby created shall be known and designated as "**Road Lighting District No. 45 of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana**" (the "District"), and as thus created shall constitute a public corporation and political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, of which this Police Jury shall be the governing authority, and the District shall have all the rights, powers and privileges granted and conferred by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of Louisiana to such political subdivisions, including the authority to incur debt and to levy taxes.

SECTION 3: The official seal of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana, be and the same is hereby adopted as the official seal of the District and the official journal of this Police Jury shall be the official journal of the District.

The above ordinance was introduced on the 15th day of April, 2013.

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

YEAS:	(5)	Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Mack Calhoun, District B; Mr. Walt Caldwell, District C; Mr. Shane Smiley, District E; and Ms. Pat Moore, District F.
NAYS:	(0)	
ABSTAIN:	(0)	
ABSENT:	(1)	Dr. Ollibeth Reddix, District D

The ordinance was adopted this 20th day of May, 2013.

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The president recognized Mr. Calhoun, District B.

MR. MACK CALHOUN, DISTRICT B:

Mr. Calhoun asked that Ordinance 9014 be deferred until the next meeting of the Jury.

The president recognized Mr. Caldwell, District C.

MR. WALT CALDWELL, DISTRICT C:

Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Robinson to authorize Lazenby & Associates to send a letter of appeal to FEMA regarding the Moon Lake Road project. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Caldwell asked for an update on the Bayou Desiard ecosystem restoration project. Mr. Riggin stated that Mr. Crosby is still working on the project.

Mr. Caldwell asked for an update on Keystone Road. Mr. Riggin stated that the project has been advertised for bids and the bid opening will be May 30.

Mr. Caldwell asked for an update on the bridge at Bartholomew Woods Subdivision. Mr. Mitchell stated that work should begin later in the week.

DR. OLLIBETH REDDIX, DISTRICT D:

The president stated that Dr. Reddix was not present at the meeting and asked Mr. Mitchell to speak regarding the Green Oaks Agreement for Teaching Services. Mr. Mitchell stated the school board provides the teachers at Green Oaks during the school year and the Jury contracts with the teachers for the summer. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Robinson to approve the Agreement for Teaching Services. Motion passed without opposition.

The president asked that the matter concerning H-1 Canal be deferred.

MR. SHANE SMILEY, DISTRICT E:

Mr. Smiley spoke regarding the East Town & Country drainage project and stated that FEMA has decided not to fund the project. Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Caldwell to authorize Lazenby & Associates to send a letter of appeal to FEMA regarding the East Town & Country drainage project. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Ms. Moore, District F.

MS. PAT MOORE, DISTRICT F:

Ms. Moore asked to defer the item regarding the LCDBG application for Prairie Road Water District.

Ms. Moore asked for an update on the drainage at the Ouachita RV Park. Mr. Mitchell stated that he contacted the City of Monroe and they stated that possibly Kansas City Southern had work done on the railway that changed the drainage pattern. No action was taken on this matter.

Ms. Moore asked to defer the item regarding Harmon Johnson Road.

Ms. Moore asked for an update on Moore Road Bridge. Mr. Riggin stated that they received environmental clearance from DOTD and that Public Works is working on obtaining the right-of-way. Mr. Riggin also stated that DOTD is waiting on a permit from the Corps of Engineers.

Ms. Moore asked for an update on the J-1D and J-1E canals. Mr. Riggin stated that all documents are complete and GNF Management is working on obtaining the rights-of-way.

Ms. Moore asked to defer the item regarding LGAP Charmingdale Subdivision drainage improvements.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The president recognized Mr. Cammack, Treasurer.

FISCAL: Mr. Brad Cammack, Treasurer

Mr. Cammack spoke regarding the Worker's Compensation Certificate of Deposit renewal and asked for approval of the Subordination and Security Agreements. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Robinson to approve the Subordination and Security Agreements. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack reminded the Jury that the offices will be closed May 27 for Memorial Day.

The president recognized Chief Hemphill, Fire Department.

FIRE: Chief Pat Hemphill, Fire Department

Chief Hemphill distributed an updated personnel manual for the Jury to review.

The president recognized Mr. Mitchell, Assistant District Attorney.

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

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

The president recognized Mr. Murray, Public Works Director.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. John Tom Murray, Director

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

BEER AND WHISKEY APPLICATIONS:

There were none.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no other business to come before the Jury, a motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Robinson. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Shane Smiley, President

Karen Cupit, Recording Secretary