AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2009 5:30 P.M.

- 1. Call to order by President McMillin.
- 2. Invocation by Dr. Ronnie Burke, Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Maplewood. (Mr. Andrepont)
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Roll Call.
- 5. Presentation of certificates to the following Calcasieu Parish students whose artwork was chosen by the Louisiana Art Educators Association (LAEA) to be displayed in the Governor's Mansion and State Capitol:

Artwork displayed in Governor's Mansion during the month of April

Shekinah Jordan, 3rd Grade, Western Heights Elementary School, Westlake Sarah Shepherd, 3rd Grade, Western Heights Elementary School, Westlake

Artwork will be displayed in State Capitol on May 8th

Victoria Bellard, 3rd Grade, Western Heights Elementary School, Westlake Faith Jordan, 2nd Grade, Western Heights Elementary School, Westlake

<u>AGENDA NOTE</u>: this is a part of Louisiana's First Lady Supriya Jindal's initiative to feature Louisiana's young artists. Every month a new group of artwork is displayed to pay tribute to these young artists.

- 6. Presentation of a plaque to Mrs. Judy Reeves, a Science Teacher at St. Margaret Catholic School, whose Science Club recently won the Lexus Challenge for the 2007-2008 School Year and received an award for \$50,000. (Mr. Guidry)
 - <u>AGENDA NOTE</u>: the Science Club won the 1st place award for 2008 Keep Louisiana Beautiful.
- 7. Presentation by Ms. Shelley Johnson, Executive Director, and Mr. Tico Soto, Sales Director, Southwest Louisiana Convention and Visitors Bureau, with reference to the Louisiana 2010 Police Jury Association Convention in Lake Charles.
- 8. Appearance of representatives with a new environmental group called "Green Habits," with reference to living a greener lifestyle.
- 9. Take appropriate action on applications for liquor and beer permits. (Mr. Vickers)
- 10. Consideration of approval of payment of all current invoices.
- 11. Consideration of approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Police Jury dated April 2, 2009.
- 12. Consideration of approval of the Agenda Committee Report dated April 30, 2009.
- 13. Consideration of approval of the Ways and Means Committee Report dated April 30, 2009. Said Committee:
 - (13.1) Received presentation by members of the Calcasieu Legislative Delegation with reference to the current regular session of the State Legislature. Representatives A. B. Franklin, Mike Danahay, Brett Geymann, and Chuck Kleckley addressed the Committee on various issues, primarily relating to the State's \$1.4 \$1.5 billion deficit, as well as projects anticipated to be funded through the national stimulus package (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009) and State surplus funds. Specific requests from

the jurors to the legislators were to keep the importance of a grade separation over the railroad track on Sampson Street in Westlake, along with construction of a new Interstate-10 Bridge, in the forefront; to find funding sources to solve wastewater problems; and to assist if possible in getting an additional representative for the Southwest Louisiana area during 2010 reapportionment.

- (13.2) Received presentation by Captain James Viney, Squadron Commander, Civil Air Patrol (CAP) who outlined the various services and educational components provided by said organization. Lieutenant Scott Hunsaker and Major Bobby Kingham of the CAP also appeared before the Committee. The jurors expressed their appreciation for services rendered by the CAP, particularly following Hurricane Rita, and suggested that recruiting efforts for the Junior cadet training program be increased.
- (13.3) Received report from the Administrative Staff with reference to the Police Jury's RFI (Request-for-Information) to LSU AgCenter for the Police Jury to host the 2010 LSU AgCenter State Livestock Show. The Committee recommended that the proposal submitted by the Parish remain "on the table" until June 1, 2009, and further, that the offer contained in the proposal which would have allowed the LSU AgCenter to not pay the fee normally charged by the hosting entity be removed from the proposal.
- (13.4) Received report from OHSEP Staff with reference to the Swine Influenza Outbreak which included the following: (a) national threat level of 5 currently in effect, the highest ever for this type of situation; (b) possibility of declaring a pandemic seemed imminent because of the rapid spread of the disease; (c) eight cases currently under investigation in Louisiana; (d) citizens encouraged to cover mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing, clean their hands often and keep them away from their face, avoid contact with people who were sick, isolate those who were sick, and stay home from work or school if they developed symptoms of influenza; (e) monitor news and websites, particularly CDC's (Center for Disease Control), for updates, and (f) prepare for this situation much like one would for a hurricane.
- 14. Consideration of approval of the Public Works Committee Report dated April 30, 2009. Said Committee:
 - (14.1) Recommended that the <u>Code of Ordinances of Calcasieu Parish</u>, <u>Louisiana</u>, be amended with reference to animals and fowl, with the amendments to be effective in sixty days. Mr. Wainwright reported that the staff fully agreed with a suggestion made by the Animal Services Advisory Committee that a public education blitz be done through the news media and public appearances regarding micro-chipping, that low-cost micro-chipping clinics be held at Animal Services throughout the year, and that veterinarians encourage voluntary micro-chipping.
 - AGENDA NOTE: on February 26, 2009, the staff presented the committee with proposed changes to the Code of Ordinances of Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, with reference to animals and fowl. The Committee took the draft of the proposed changes under advisement until its next meeting on March 26, 2009, during which time comments and questions were encouraged to be directed to the staff, and with final action scheduled to be taken by the Police Jury at its Regular Meeting on April 2, 2009. On March 26, 2009, a new draft was presented by staff to the Public Works Committee excluding the proposed mandatory micro-chipping of dogs and cats due to concerns and/or reservations expressed by the community and by the veterinarians. Ms. Sally Shepherd, Chairperson of the Animal Services Advisory Committee, appeared and spoke in favor of the thirty-day deferral to allow members of her Committee to resolve some of the concerns they had with the proposed ordinance. At the Police Jury's regular meeting on April 2, 2009, action was deferred until April 30, 2009.
 - (14.2) Received report from Planning Staff concerning the FEMA Flood Maps and recommended that the maps be adopted at the Regular Meeting on May 7, 2009, and further, that proposed amendments to the <u>Code of Ordinances of Calcasieu Parish</u>, <u>Louisiana</u>, pertaining to floodplain management regulations associated with adoption of the maps, be adopted at the Regular Meeting on May 7, 2009, and made effective June 15, 2009. Citizens were encouraged to find out what their current and proposed flood zone elevations were and to purchase flood insurance (if the proposed elevations required them to do so) prior to final approval by FEMA which would occur in the next six to nine months.

- (14.3) Recommended that ordinances be adopted and/or existing ordinances be amended as follows:
 - (14.3.1) establish "no parking" on LeBleu Road, in its entirety, in Ward Three. (Police Jury District 7, Mr. Landry)
 - (14.3.2) establish "no thru trucks" on Tank Farm Road, from Louisiana 384 to Lake Street, in Ward Three. (Police Jury Districts 6 and 8, Mr. Scott and Mr. Brame)
- (14.4) Recommended that a resolution be adopted clarifying the names of two public roads located in Ward One, as E. Liechty Road and W. Liechty Road. (Police Jury District 1, Mr. Spell)
- <u>AGENDA NOTE</u>: this is being done at the request of a family member who has brought forth historical documentation of the correct spelling of the road names so that the public street signs and the E911 Master Street Address Guide can be changed to reflect the correct spelling.
- (14.5) Recommended that a resolution be adopted approving an Agreement between the Police Jury and the Town of Vinton which would provide for an exchange and transfer of properties owned by each entity to the other, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto. (Mr. Hassien)
- <u>AGENDA NOTE</u>: the Police Jury will transfer its property located at 1119 Eddy Street, which is adjacent to the Vinton Public Works Facility, to the Town of Vinton, and the Town of Vinton will transfer its property located on the corner of Center Street and Fancher Street to the Police Jury, which may be a suitable option for future use by the Police Jury.
- (14.6) Recommended approval of a Joint Services Agreement between the Police Jury and Community Center and Playground District No. Four of Ward One for the repair of roadway and placement of material inside the Moss Bluff Recreation Park, off of Recreation Boulevard in Ward One, with the District reimbursing the Police Jury for labor, fuel, and material costs. (Police Jury District 1, Mr. Spell)
- (14.7) Recommended that the staff meet with the Sheriff's Office to determine if there are problems currently being experienced at Parish parks, and if so, whether ordinances need to be adopted and/or existing ordinances need to be amended to curtail and/or alleviate such problems. Corporal John Corkran, 20231 Pine Hill Cemetery Road, Iowa, of the Sheriff's Office appeared before the Committee with reference to this matter.
- 15. Consideration of adopting a resolution approving the renewal of a lease between the Police Jury and The North American Land Company, LLC, with reference to the lease of property for the location of the Bell City Branch Library, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.
- 16. Consideration of adopting a resolution approving a Joint Services Agreement between the Police Jury and the City of Lake Charles which will provide for the hiring of outside legal assistance on environmental issues related to the replacement of the I-10 Bridge, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.
- 17. Consideration of adopting a resolution approving an agreement between the Police Jury and the Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office which will provide for security at the Calcasieu Business and Career Solutions Center, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.
- 18. Consideration of adopting a resolution urging and requesting the members of the Louisiana Congressional Delegation to support efforts being made to keep the existing I-10 Bridge fully operational while its replacement span is constructed.
- 19. Receive report from the Administrative Staff on opportunities for property acquisitions adjacent to existing park facilities.

- 20. Consideration of adopting a resolution approving a loan in the amount of \$300,000 from the Police Jury to Community Center and Playground District No. Four of Ward One for the purchase of approximately 42 acres of property for recreational facilities in Ward One wherein said loan will be paid back over a three-year period, \$100,000 per year, plus the interest lost by the Police Jury, beginning in 2010.
- 21. Consideration of approving the following requests from the Office of Juvenile Justice Services:
 - (21.1) adopt a resolution authorizing the Director to renegotiate and finalize the terms and conditions for the renewal of a Reciprocal Agreement between the Police Jury, Office of Juvenile Justice Services, and the Caddo Parish Juvenile Detention Center for the housing of juveniles in either location in case of natural or man-made disasters, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.
 - (21.2) adopt a resolution authorizing the Office of Juvenile Justice Services to submit an updated plan, and any revisions thereafter, to the Louisiana State University, Office of Social Services Research and Development, which outlines the duties and responsibilities of the collaboration between the Police Jury, the City of Lake Charles, the Calcasieu Parish School Board, local law enforcement agencies, and state service agencies in the continuation of the Truancy Assessment and Service Center, and authorizing the Director of the Office of Juvenile Justice Services to negotiate on the terms and conditions of a contract or contracts between the Police Jury and the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University for the continuation of the Truancy Assessment and Service Center for an amount up to \$300,000, and should residual funds become available, a grant adjustment can be filed to increase the cost of the award, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.
 - (21.3) adopt a resolution authorizing the Office of Juvenile Justice Services to enter into a continued agreement with the Calcasieu Parish School Board to provide for a Educational Specialist and a Clerk for the Truancy Assessment and Service Center, with associated costs to be paid through funding from Louisiana State University, Office of Social Service Research and Development, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.
 - (21.4) adopt a resolution authorizing the Office of Juvenile Justice Services to renew the Joint Services Agreement with the Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office to provide law enforcement personnel for the Truancy Assessment and Service Center, with associated costs to be paid through funding from Louisiana State University, Office of Social Service Research and Development, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.
 - (21.5) adopt a resolution authorizing the Office of Juvenile Justice Services to submit a continuation application in an amount up to \$60,000, and any revisions thereafter, to the Louisiana Supreme Court, which outlines the certifications and budget of the Families-in-Need of Services Program, and should residual funds become available, a grant adjustment can be filed to increase grant award, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.
- 22. Consideration of approving the renewal of insurance policies for the following coverages for the period of May 1, 2009, through May 1, 2010, and further, ratifying the execution of all documents related thereto by the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate:

Boiler and Machinery Coverage Travelers Property and Casualty Company

of America

Auto-Physical Damage Coverage Essex Insurance Company

Terrorism Property Coverage AJG London/Lloyds of London

23. Take appropriate action on the expiration of the term of Mr. Bernard Habetz as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Recreation District No. One of Ward Eight. (Mr. Habetz

- represents District 10. Mr. Stelly is the liaison. The Agenda Committee recommended that Mr. Habetz be reappointed.)
- 24. Take appropriate action on the expiration of the term of Mr. Johnny Hardy as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. Five of Ward Four. (Mr. Hardy is the at-large representative. Mr. Andrepont and Mr. Farnum are the liaisons. The Agenda Committee recommended that Mr. Hardy be reappointed.)
- 25. Take appropriate action on the expiration of the term of Mr. Rick Fitts as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. Five of Ward Four. (Mr. Fitts represents District 15. Mr. Andrepont and Mr. Farnum are the liaisons. The Agenda Committee recommended that Mr. Fitts be reappointed.)
- 26. Take appropriate action on the expiration of the term of Mr. Harvey Boyd as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. Five of Ward Four. (Mr. Boyd represents District 13. Mr. Andrepont and Mr. Farnum are the liaisons. The Agenda Committee recommended that Mr. Boyd be reappointed.)
- 27. Take appropriate action on the expiration of the term of Mr. Fred Godwin as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District. (Mrs. Griffin and Mr. Landry are the liaisons. The Agenda Committee recommended that the names of Messrs. Walt Sanchez, Cade Cole, and Kendrick Guidry be forwarded to the Governor for his selection of one person to fill this seat.)
 - AGENDA NOTE: LSA—R.S. 34:202 provides that persons appointed to the Board of Commissioners of the Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District may serve no more than two consecutive terms. Mr. Godwin is completing his second term, and therefore, must be replaced. This statute also provides that appointments to this Board shall be made by the Governor subject to nominations from various public agencies. The Police Jury is authorized to nominate three persons, one of which will be selected by the Governor to fill one seat on the Board.
- 28. Take appropriate action on the vacancy on the Board of Commissioners of Waterworks District No. Five of Wards Three and Eight (Mallard Junction) created by the resignation of Mr. Elcie Guillory. (Mr. Collins is the liaison, and is responsible for seeing that a consensus has been reached on recommendations from Jurors representing Districts 2, 4, and 10. The Agenda Committee recommended that Mr. Ron Rider be appointed to fill this vacancy.)
- 29. Consideration of accepting the District Attorney's Building/Old Courthouse Lobby Controls and HVAC Upgrade Project as substantially complete.
- 30. Take appropriate action on Request-for-Proposals received on April 27, 2009, by the Division of Planning and Development for surveying services for the Horseshoe Lake Marsh Restoration Project located along the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway.
 - <u>AGENDA NOTE</u>: this is one of the coastal restoration projects, which was previously approved by the Police Jury on March 20, 2008, for the Department of Natural Resources to administer through the Coastal Impact Assistance Program. The Planning Staff recommends that the proposal of Morrison Surveying, Inc. be accepted.
- 31. Take appropriate action on bids received on April 22, 2009, by the Parish Purchasing Agent for weed control chemicals, with unit prices effective from June 1, 2009, until May 31, 2010.
- 32. Take appropriate action on bids received by the Parish Purchasing Agent on April 23, 2009, for Calcasieu Parish Project No. 2009-05 (Overlaying of Various Roads in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana).

Contractor Name	Bid Total
Diamond B Construction	\$3,785,245.50
Bessette Development Corporation	\$3,291,089.00
R. E. Heidt Construction Co., Inc.	\$2,797,746.75
Prairie Contractors, Inc.	\$3,071,343.25

<u>AGENDA NOTE</u>: the above bids were received and opened on April 23, 2009, and on April 23, 2009, the Police Jury deferred action on bids until May 7, 2009. The Parish Engineer recommends that the low bid in the amount of \$2,797,746.75 of R. E. Heidt Construction Company, Inc. be accepted.

33. Take appropriate action on bids received by the Parish Purchasing Agent on April 30, 2009, for Calcasieu Parish Project No. 2009-06 (Overlaying of Various Roads in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana).

Contractor Name	Bid Total
Bessette Development Corporation	\$2,713,191.00
R. E. Heidt Construction Co., Inc.	\$2,492,506.55
Prairie Contractors, Inc.	\$2,302,252.50

<u>AGENDA NOTE</u>: the Parish Engineer recommends that the low bid in the amount of \$2,302,252.50 of Prairie Contractors, Inc. be accepted.

- 34. Consideration of ratifying the advertising for bids for a Chiller Replacement Project at the Calcasieu Parish Courthouse.
- 35. Consideration of authorizing the Parish Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the following:
 - (35.1) construction of new rodeo pens, alleyway, and gates at the Burton Memorial Coliseum.
 - (35.2) mosquito control solvents, with unit prices effective from July 1, 2009, until December 31, 2009, concrete pipe and metal pipe, with unit prices effective from July 1, 2009, until December 31, 2009.
- 36. Consideration of declaring one 2001 GMC Safari Van (C-Gov), Asset #11696, as surplus, to be sold, as appropriate, through E-Gov Auction, Parish Auction or private sale.
- 37. Consideration of adopting a resolution declaring various movable assets (small items) of various parish departments, districts, and agencies, as determined by the Division of Finance through this calendar year, December 31, 2009, as surplus property, and authorizing the disposal of said items to be sold, as appropriate, through E-Gov Auction, Parish Auction or private sale.
- 38. Consideration of issuing the following proclamations:
 - (38.1) proclaiming the week of May 17-23, 2009, as "National Public Works Week" in Calcasieu Parish in recognition of public works services provided in Calcasieu Parish.

<u>AGENDA NOTE</u>: the Division of Engineering and Public Works, which includes Animal Services, Facility Management, Mosquito Control, and Parks will join the City of Lake Charles in an effort to inform Calcasieu Parish citizens of the many issues involved in providing our public works and to recognize the contributions public works officials and employees make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

(38.2) proclaiming the month of May as "Air Quality Awareness Month" in an effort to educate the public about the importance of understanding the Air Quality Index and the health impacts of air quality in our community.

ADVISE THAT THE FOLLOWING TERMS WILL EXPIRE IN JUNE, 2009

- Term of Mr. Irving Keith Thibodeaux as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Waterworks District No. Eight of Wards Three and Eight. (Mr. Thibodeaux represents District 10. Mr. Collins is the liaison.)
- Term of Mr. James "Gary" Gobert as a member of the Board of Directors of Chennault International Airport Authority. (Mr. Gobert is the minority representative. Mr. Scott and Mr. Syas are the liaisons.)

• Term of Mr. Chris Wilrye as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Recreation District No. One of Ward Four. (Mr. Wilrye represents District 14. Mr. McMillin is the liaison.)

EMERGENCY ITEMS REGULAR MEETING – MAY 7, 2009

The following items were received after the Agenda Committee meeting on April 30, 2009, and each will require a <u>unanimous vote of those present</u> to suspend the rules to allow for consideration by the Police Jury, said vote occurring after an opportunity is given for public comment on the question of suspension of the rules:

Item No. One:

Consideration of adopting a resolution, acting as the Board of Commissioners of Ward Three Fire Protection District No. Two, approving the submittal of a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$1,344,898.30 to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Assistance to Firefighters Grants, for the purchase and/or upgrade of communications currently being utilized by the fire districts/departments in Calcasieu Parish, and in the event the grant is awarded, authorizing a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Police Jury and each participating entity regarding the twenty percent (20%) local match requirement, and terms provided therefor, and further, authorizing the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, to execute all documents related thereto.