

PROCEEDINGS

CAMERON PARISH POLICE JURY

JULY 19, 2023

The Cameron Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, in the Cameron Parish West Annex Board Room in the Village of Cameron, Louisiana at 2:00 o'clock P.M. The following members were present: Mr. Joe Dupont, Mr. Kirk Quinn, Mr. Curtis Fountain, Mr. Magnus McGee, Mr. McKinley Guidry, Mr. Lawrence Faulk, Mr. Thomas McDaniel, and Mr. Scott Trahan. No member was absent.

It was moved by Mr. Fountain, seconded by Mr. Quinn, and carried, the jury shall go into Executive Session to discuss Hurricane Insurance Litigation. The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Joe Dupont, Kirk Quinn, Curtis Fountain, Magnus McGee, McKinley Guidry, Lawrence Faulk, Scott Trahan and Thomas McDaniel

NAYS: None

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: None

The president called the meeting back to order and the jury returned to regular session. There was no action taken on the Executive Session item.

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

It was moved by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the reading of the minutes shall be dispensed with and approved.

It was moved by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Fountain, and carried the board hereby approves to add the following item to the agenda: (Item 30) Consider and take appropriate action on precinct merger ordinance.

It was moved by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Faulk, and carried, the applications for the following permits be and the same are hereby approved with the stipulations set forth by the respective Gravity Drainage Districts:

- a. Greg S. Richard - Grand Lake, Cameron Parish, LA. (230610)
- b. John Darren Labbie - Klondike, Cameron Parish, LA. (230701)
- c. Cameron Parish Port Harbor and Terminal District - Cameron, Cameron Parish, LA (230702)
- d. Lacassane Company Inc. - Klondike, Cameron Parish, LA. (230703)
- e. Environmental Resource Management (ERM) - Hackberry, Cameron Parish, LA (230704)
- f. Joseph D. Guillory - Grand Lake, Cameron Parish, LA. (230705)
- g. Volney Griffin - Big Lake, Cameron Parish, LA. (230706)

It was moved by Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Quinn, and carried, the board hereby accepts the resignation of Ryan Mallory from the Gravity Drainage District No. Three board, authorizes, empowers, and directs the secretary to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. Mallory for his service to the board, and appoints Mike Henry for the remainder of term.

It was moved by Mr. Trahan seconded by Mr. Quinn, and carried, the board hereby tables the appointment for the expired term of Delia Sanders to the Consolidated Fire Protections of South Cameron Board, and authorizes, empowers, and directs the secretary to send a letter of appreciation to Ms. Sanders for her service to the board.

It was moved by Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Kevin Vincent to the Consolidated Fire Protections of South Cameron Board.

It was moved by Mr. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. Fountain, and carried, the board hereby tables the appointment for the expired term of Tammy Peshoff to the Consolidated Fire Protections of South Cameron Board.

It was moved by Mr. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. Quinn, and carried, the board hereby tables the appointment for the expired term of Susan Fawvor to the Consolidated Fire Protections of South Cameron Board.

It was moved by Mr. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. Trahan, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Armand "Bubba" Richard to the Consolidated Fire Protections of South Cameron Board.

It was moved by Mr. Fountain, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Bobby Stansel to the Gravity Drainage District No. Nine Board.

It was moved by Mr. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. Trahan, and carried, the board hereby reappoints J.C. Baccigalopi to the Waterworks District No. Nine Board.

It was moved by Mr. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. Trahan, and carried, the board hereby reappoints Tina Horn to the Waterworks District No. Nine Board.

It was moved by Mr. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. Trahan, and carried, the board hereby accepts the resignation of Nina Jones from the Recreation District No. Nine Board, authorizes, empowers, and directs the secretary to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. Jones for her service to the board, and appoints Kelli McKoin for the remainder of term.

The president opened the floor for a public hearing to hear and consider comments on the proposed amendments to Chapter 10 Article VII. Temporary Food Service - Festivals and Fairs to add (7) Crab Festival to Sec. 10-68 Recognized Festivals and Fairs and to add Industrial LNG Facilities to Sec. 10-69, and remove Holly Beach from Sec. 10-69 Temporary Food Vendors. There being no oral or written comments from the public, the president declared the public hearing closed.

The following amendment to Chapter 10 Article VIII. Temporary Food Service - Recognized Festivals and Fairs was offered by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. McGee, and declared duly

adopted: Add (7) Crab Festival to Sec. 10-68 Recognized Festivals and Fairs and to add Industrial LNG Facilities to Sec. 10-69, and remove Holly Beach from Sec. 10-69 Temporary Food Vendors.

The president opened the floor for a public hearing of General Alimony to consider levying additional or increased millage rates without further voter approval or adopting the adjusted millage rates after reassessment and rolling forward to rates not to exceed the prior year's maximum. The estimated amount of tax revenues to be collected in the next year from the increased millage is \$1,855,797.87 and the amount of increase in taxes attributable to the millage increase is \$13,746.10. There being no oral or written comments from the public, the president declared the public hearing closed.

The president opened the floor for a public hearing of Road & Bridge Maintenance to consider levying additional or increased millage rates without further voter approval or adopting the adjusted millage rates after reassessment and rolling forward to rates not to exceed the prior year's maximum. The estimated amount of tax revenues to be collected in the next year from the increased millage is \$3,147,983.06 and the amount of increase in taxes attributable to the millage increase is \$18,330.39. There being no oral or written comments from the public, the president declared the public hearing closed.

The president opened the floor for a public hearing of Fire Protection District No. 14 Maintenance to consider levying additional or increased millage rates without further voter approval or adopting the adjusted millage rates after reassessment and rolling forward to rates not to exceed the prior year's maximum. The estimated amount of tax revenues to be collected in the next year from the increased millage is \$166,380.16 and the amount of increase in taxes attributable to the millage increase is \$18,681.59. There being no oral or written comments from the public, the president declared the public hearing closed.

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Fountain, and carried the board hereby declares the following millages are hereby levied on the 2023 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the Cameron Parish Police Jury:

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>MILLAGE</u>		
Health Unit Maintenance	1.36 MILLS		
Courthouse and Jail Maintenance	2.72 MILLS		
Garbage District No. 1 Maintenance	8.12 MILLS		
Library Maintenance	6.00 MILLS		
Hackberry Fire Protection District No. 1 Maintenance	4.65 MILLS		
Consolidated Fire Protections of South Cameron	8.00 MILLS		
Fire Protection District No. 10 Maintenance	8.00 MILLS		
Fire Protection District No. 14 Maintenance	5.70 MILLS		
Fire Protection District No. 15 Maintenance	8.16 MILLS		
Fire Protection District No. 16 Maintenance	11.32 MILLS		
Hackberry Fire Protection District No. 1 Sinking	1.70 MILLS		
		<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>Levy</u>
<b>General Alimony</b>		<b>4.02 mills</b>	<b>4.05 mills</b>
<b>Road &amp; Bridge Maintenance</b>		<b>6.83 mills</b>	<b>6.87 mills</b>

It was moved by Mr. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the Proclamation declaring Thursday, May 4, 2023 as National Day of Prayer to be hosted by the NAACP and celebrated on Saturday July 22, 2023 in Cameron Parish is declared duly adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Faulk, seconded by Mr. Quinn, and carried, the board hereby accepts and approves the Financial Statement Audit Report for the year ending December 31, 2022, as submitted by the CPA firm of Gragson, Casiday and Guillory, LLP.

In response to the advertisement for the acceptance of bids to rebuild the OEP Pavilion due to Hurricanes Laura and/or Delta, the following bids were received:

CONTRACTOR	BASE BID	ALT. 1	TOTAL BID
Manuel Commercial LLC	\$521,000.00	\$235,000.00	\$756,000.00
Alfred Palma LLC	\$456,000.00	\$170,000.00	\$626,000.00
Russell J Stutes Co	\$399,750.00	\$202,000.00	\$601,750.00

Considering the bid from Russell J Stutes Co was the lowest responsible base bid, upon recommendation of Porche' May Architects, it was moved by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Faulk, and carried, the board hereby accepts the base bid of Three hundred ninety-nine thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$399,750.00) and Alternate #1 in the amount of two hundred two thousand dollars (\$202,000.00), to rebuild the OEP Pavilion, and authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign contract related to said bid.

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Guidry, and carried, the board hereby allocates funding in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the sponsorship of the 2023 Cameron Fishing Festival.

It was moved by Mr. Fountain, seconded by Mr. McGee and carried, the board hereby authorizes Wingate Enterprises, Inc. to clean abandoned property located at 510 Old Town Rd., Hackberry, LA, per Ordinance No. Article IV, Section 9-37, Grass, Weed & Cleanliness and Ordinance No. Article II, Section 9-19, Abandoned Property, due to them having the lowest bid in the amount of Five thousand eight hundred ninety dollars (\$5,890.00).

It was moved by Mr. Faulk, seconded by Mr. Quinn and carried, the board hereby authorizes Wilkerson Transportation, Inc. to clean abandoned property located at 135 Hale Rd., Grand Lake, LA, per Ordinance No. Article IV, Section 9-37, Grass, Weed & Cleanliness and Ordinance No. Article II, Section 9-19, Abandoned Property, due to them having the lowest bid in the amount of Nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$9,500.00).

It was moved by Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mr. McGee, and carried, the board hereby approves the renewal of the following employee group insurance policies for policy year September 2023 through September 2024:

- a. Group Hospitalization Insurance - Blue Cross Blue Shield of LA., 6% rate increase
- b. Group Dental & Vision Insurance - Met Life
- c. Group Life Insurance - Equitable

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Fountain, and carries, the board hereby authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign the Act of Donation to Holly Beach nonprofit Parish of Cameron for a 2016 Kabota Tractor to maintain and clean the beaches.

It was moved by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Fountain, and carried, the board hereby authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign the MOU between OEP and Venture Global CP2 for the Police Jury to be reimbursed for emergency services provided when required. Mr. Trahan abstained from voting.

In response to request for proposals for services of an administrative consulting firm to administrator grant funds under the State Hometown Revitalization and Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program with funding under the CDBG program, the following submitted proposals; Hunt, Guillot & Associates, LLC (HGA) and Royal Engineering & Consulting, LLC. Considering Royal Engineering scored the highest, it was moved by Mr. Faulk, seconded by Mr. Quinn, and carried, the board hereby approves Royal Engineering as the consulting firm and authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign all required documents for said RFP.

In response to the advertisement for the acceptance of bids for the Rockefeller Refuge Shoreline Stabilization Project (ME-35), the westward extension of previously constructed breakwaters on the Gulf Shoreline of Rockefeller Refuge funded by Cameron Parish, Calcasieu Parish and the State of Louisiana RESTORE funds, the following bid was received:

CONTRACTOR	BASE BID	ALT. 1	ALT. 2	ALT. 3
Rigid Constructors LLC	\$9,284,600.00	\$1,375,700.00	\$1,418,200.00	\$1,644,500.00

Considering the bid from Rigid Constructors LLC was the only bid received and upon recommendation of Fenstermaker it was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Trahan, and carried, the board hereby accepts the base bid, Alt.1, 2 & 3 for the Rockefeller Refuge Extension project.

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Quinn, and carried, the board hereby authorizes, empowers, and directs the president to sign the CEA with Calcasieu Parish for funds for the Rockefeller Refuge Shoreline Stabilization Project (ME-35), westward extension.

It was moved by Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mr. McDaniel, and carried, the board hereby approves the liquor permit for Lighthouse Bend Landmark, LLC, for Lighthouse Bend To-Go Market, 190 Davis Road, Suite B, Cameron LA 70631.

It was moved by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Guidry, and carried, the board hereby accepts the monthly financial statements and budget to the actual comparison report.

It was moved by Mr. Faulk, seconded by Mr. Quinn, and carried, the treasurer is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to pay June 2023 bills.

It was moved by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Faulk, Resolution No. 1174 to Merge Precincts 16B and 4 is declared duly adopted.

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Faulk, and carried, the meeting was declared adjourned.

APPROVED:

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JOE DUPONT, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

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MARY B CARROLL, SECRETARY