

**ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
MONDAY, MAY 3, 2010 @ 6:00 P.M.  
ST. LANDRY PARISH COURTHOUSE, 118 S. COURT ST.  
ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ROOM #132  
OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA**

**MINUTES**

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Ronald Buschel.

Chairman Buschel requested roll call;

**PRESENT: Leon Robinson, Fekisha Miller, Kenneth Vidrine, Jay Guidry,  
Jimmy Edwards, Ronald Buschel, Chairman, Glenn Stout, Ex-Officio.**

2. Hugh Guidry, 190 St. Paul Ave., addressed the Public Works Committee requesting help to get additional cable service for a new business located off of Exit 23, the Nuba/Ville Platte exit. He does not feel that Dish Network provides dependable service. He requested the parish try to get Charter to provide additional services. He also requested extended service from Plaisance Water Dist.
3. A motion was made by Kenneth Vidrine and seconded by Jay Guidry to forward a request to representatives of Charter Communications and AT&T cable companies to attend the next full /Council meeting on May 19, 2010, to discuss requests from Hugh Guidry and the St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission for cable and internet services to be provided in the area of Exit 23 off I-49, Nuba/Ville Platte. With no objection, this motion passed.
4. A motion was made by Jay Guidry and seconded by Kenneth Vidrine to request the attendance of a representative from Plaisance Water System at the May 19, 2010, meeting to discuss an expansion in the water system. With no objection, this motion passed.
5. The Public Works Report was presented by Tim Marks.  
Speed bumps have been requested for Midway Lane, Smith Lane and Tulip Drive.  
Surveying has determined that roads meet parish specifications for speed bump installation. Letters of no-objection are requested from emergency response agencies.
6. A motion was made by Kenneth Vidrine and seconded by Jimmie Edwards to forward to the full Council the request to amend the speed bump ordinance to include the installation of speed bumps on Midway Lane, Smith Lane and Tulip Drive. With no objection, this motion will be forwarded to the full Council.
7. Leon Robinson requested speed bumps for McNeese Street. Tim responded that due to the number of intersections on that street, it does not qualify for speed bumps.
8. Mr. Marks presented a list of Municipal Buildings which will be receiving lighting retrofit with Renew La. EECBG grant funding issued by the Department of Natural Resources. The list includes twenty-one buildings. A resolution was requested to authorize the Parish President to sign all documents and contracts in reference to grant funding.
9. A motion was made by Kenneth Vidrine and seconded by Jay Guidry to forward to the full Council a resolution to authorize the Parish Government to sign documents and contracts referencing Renew La. EECBG grant funding so that the project can be bided out. With no objection, this motion will be forwarded to the full Council
10. A motion by Jay Guidry and seconded by Jimmie Edwards to accept the Public Works Report. With no objection, this motion was adopted.
11. Pam Gautreau requested drainage cleaning on Mouton Rd. Rails have been requested by the residents. She also questioned load limits for trucks utilizing Chretien Point Rd.

12. Mr. Menard stated that the weight limit problem exists in multiple areas and he is researching the installation of scales and which law enforcement agency would be helpful in policing this problem.
13. Mr. Don Menard presented the Parish President's Report.  
Shared information on observation of a Day of Prayer to be held on the Courthouse steps on May 6th at 10:30 a.m.  
City of Ville Platte requests adoption of a resolution by the Full Council support their request of four-laning or shared-laning of U.S. Hwy 167 from Nuba to Ville Platte, LA.  
The full Financial Statement for the will be presented at the full Council meeting. The delay is due to the current audit.  
A request has been submitted by Pam Bolick to purchase building space for drug court. They operate in a small building and offer services and programs which allow treatment and a second chance for alcoholics and drug dealers. The building is affordable for us at an asking price of \$150,000.00 and Mr. Menard feels that it would help to keep more people out of the parish jail. He has attended a few of their graduations and requests that some of the council members attend a graduation program of the drug court and see the effects it has on the families of that program.  
Mr. Gary Courville added that the service offers self-help programs like Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous which he believes is worthy of the Counsel's consideration.  
The space would allow them to house all of their programs in one place. Funding for this building would come from the Capital Outlay Fund. Payroll for drug court is paid for by the Supreme Courts.
14. A motion was made by Jay Guidry and seconded by Jimmie Edwards to accept the Parish President's Report. With no objection this motion will be forwarded to the full Council.
15. Mr. Hurlin Dupre questioned an ordinance regarding no wake zones. Mr. Marks responded that there are no wake zones in place at each landing - Bada's, Port Barre Landing and one in Washington. The ordinance can be amended to increase the zones.
16. Jay Guidry questioned the stacking of old tires located off Hwy. 182 near Mills Seafood. He was advised to contact DEQ.
17. A motion was made and Kenneth Vidrine and seconded by Jimmie Edwards to adjourn.

Submitted by:  
/s/ Ronald Buschel, Chairman

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.  
NOVELLA RICHARD, COUNCIL CLERK

**ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**MONDAY, MAY 3, 2010**

**Minutes**

- 1) Meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman, Albert Hollier;
- 2) Chairman Hollier requested roll call;  
**PRESENT: Jerry Red, Jr., Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville, Albert Hollier, Chairman, Glenn Stout, Ex-Officio.**
- 3) Parish President's Report:

The Finance Statement will be presented at the full Council meeting on May 19, 2010.

- 4) A motion was made by Jerry Red and seconded by Pam Gautreau to accept the Parish President Report. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion passed.
- 5) A motion was made by Dexter Brown and seconded by Pam Gautreau to advertise that applications will be accepted to fill one position on Fire Dist. No. 3. Also, send a letter to Harold Boutte informing him that he will be replaced as a commissioner of Fire Dist. #3. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion passed.
- 6) A motion was made by Pam Gautreau to forward to the full Council all previously submitted applications as well as those submitted since the recent advertisement for appointment to the Airport Authority. Pam Gautreau rescinded this motion.
- 7) A motion was made by Pam Gautreau and seconded by Dexter Brown that all previous and new applications received in response to advertised seats on the St. Landry Parish Airport Authority be considered, and all appointments be made at the June 16th full council meeting. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: Jerry Red. ABSENT: None. This motion will be forwarded to the full Council.
- 8) A motion was made by Jerry Red and seconded by Pam Gautreau to table appointing an official journal until the bill regarding this subject, which is currently under discussion at the Louisiana Legislative Session, is decided upon. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion passed.
- 9) A motion was made by Jerry Red and seconded by Pam Gautreau to accept the Parish President's Report. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. This motion passed.
- 10) A motion was made by Pam Gautreau and seconded by Dexter Brown to forward to the full Council approval for the Ordinance Review Committee to set a time and day for their meetings and request they send the Council a letter of their scheduled meetings. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. This motion will be forwarded to the full Council.
- 11) A motion was made by Pam Gautreau and seconded by Gary Courville to forward to the full Council consideration of a trail ride application submitted by Geraldine Walker and Kountry Bunnies for an event to be held May 20, 2010. Approval is to be based on complete submission of all parts of the trail ride application. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. This motion will be forwarded to the full Council.
- 12) A motion was made by Gary Courville and seconded by Pam Gautreau to forward to the full Council consideration of a trail ride application submitted by Brandy Goodley Babineaux and Eunice 51/50 Trailriders for an event to be held June 18-20, 2010. Approval is to be based on complete submission of all parts of the trail ride application. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. This motion will be forwarded to the full Council.

- 13) A motion was made by Jerry Red and seconded by Hurlin Dupre to forward to the full Council consideration of a trail ride application submitted by St. James Missionary Baptist Church Mission Ministry for an event to be held June 5, 2010. Approval is to be based on complete submission of all parts of the trail ride application. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. This motion will be forwarded to the full Council.
- 14) Ms. Lena Charles addressed the Committee regarding improvements and plans to build a horse trail at Zydeco Festival Fairgrounds, a non-profit formed to promote cultural events.
- 15) Jerry Red requested an update on the legal manuscript ordered from MuniCode. The Council Clerk responded that the project has been completed by MuniCode and a hard copy of the manuscript is being mailed to the office.
- 16) A motion to adjourn was made by Jerry Red and seconded by Hurlin Dupre. The vote was as follows: YEAS: Jerry Red, Hurlin Dupre, Pam Gautreau, Dexter Brown, Gary Courville. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:  
/s/ Albert Hollier, Chairman

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NOVELLA RICHARD, COUNCIL CLERK