

MINUTES
Of the Regular Meeting of
The Claiborne Parish Police Jury
April 8, 2015
Homer, LA 71040

A Public Hearing for the FY2016-2017 LCDBG Application was held on April 8, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. in the Police Jury Conference Room.

The Claiborne Parish Police Jury met in regular session in the Jury Chambers of the Police Jury Complex, located at 507 West Main Street in Homer, LA at 10:00 a.m. on the Eighth day of April 2015. On being called to order by President, Scott Davidson, the following jurors were present:

D'Arcy Stevens, Mark Furlow, Robert "Bob" McDaniel, Joe Sturges, Lavelle Penix, George Tigner III, Jerry Adkins and Rev. Willie Young, Sr.

Roy Mardis was absent.

There were 14 others in attendance which included, Secretary-Treasurer Dwayne R. Woodard, Road Superintendent Tommy Durrett, Sheriff Ken Bailey, Claiborne Parish Librarian Pam Suggs, Mrs. Jodie Heigle of OOCS, Mr. Lee Faulk of the Claiborne 4-H, Mrs. Jackie Roberts of the Haynesville News, Mrs. Jenni Williams of the Guardian Journal, District Attorney Mr. Danny Newell, Mayor Roy Lewis of the Town of Homer, Mr. Joey White of Claiborne Electric and the Economic Development Board, Mr. Jerry Whitton of the CPWD, Mr. John David Watson of the Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. Teresa McDaniel of Haynesville.

The meeting was opened with a word of Prayer led Rev. Willie Young, Sr., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. George Tigner, III.

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by George Tigner, III, the Jury unanimously voted to adopt the Regular agenda as presented.

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, the Jury unanimously voted to amend the regular agenda and add the following:

1. Assignments of Road Right-of-Way Between Claiborne Parish and Union County Arkansas for the West State Line Road....
2. Request to replace the HVAC system for Cell Block 300 at the CPSO – estimated cost \$5,795.
3. Request from the Town of Haynesville, in a letter received April 6, 2015, for the Police Jury to deliver two (2) loads of Cold Mix and (1) load of pit run to the City Shop located on Spring Street. (work to performed under the standard reimbursement basis with their ad valorem tax credit)
4. Request form the Claiborne Jubilee, in a letter received April 6, 2015, for use of the Court House lawn the weekend of May 8 & 9. This is with the understanding that approval also of the Team Cade Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser which has the weekend reserved since December.
5. Request from the Hill Farm Research Station, in a letter received April 7, 2015, for help on the repairing pot holes on the Hill Farm roads. Work is to be done at a cost of \$150.00 per hour.
6. Presentation of the renewal rates for the Parish's Health Insurance Plan through Humana for the 2015-2016 year. Proposed increase is 15.97%.

7. Request from Fire District #4 for dirt work at Bethlehem Station. (work to be performed on a standard reimbursement basis)
8. Recommendation from the Garage Committee for a computer and software support to work on the Mack trucks.

Upon motion by Roy Mardis, duly seconded by Joe Sturges., the Jury unanimously approved the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approval of the March 4, 2015 regular meeting minutes.
2. Payment of the March 2015 bills as approved by the Claims Committee.
3. Request form the Town of Homer, in a letter dated March 11, 2015, requesting the following- refurbish two (2) drain covers on West 4th Street behind CMMC, one (1) load of cold mix and one (1) load of pit run. (The work is to be done under our standard reimbursement basis via ad-valorem tax.)
4. Request from Ms. Monica Wafer, in a letter received on March 31, 2015, requesting use of the Court House Lawn on Saturday, April 4, 2015, at approximately 3:00 p.m. to hold a vigil for Ruby & Nevion Wafer. (This has already been approved by the Judge's Office and the District Attorney's Office)

Regular Agenda

Considered out of order, President Scott Davidson moved to handle the amendments, first.

Upon motion by Joe Sturges, duly seconded by Robert McDaniel, the Jury unanimously approved assigning the Road Right of Way between Claiborne Parish and Union County Arkansas for the West State Line Road. This portion will be maintained and blacktopped by Union County.

Upon motion by Joe Sturges, duly seconded by Robert McDaniel, the Jury unanimously approved the request to replace the HVAC Rooftop Package system for Cell Block 300 at the CPSO at the cost of \$5,795.00. (Emergency Change out)

Upon motion by Joe Sturges, duly seconded by Mark Furlow, the Jury unanimously approved the request from the Town of Haynesville, in a letter received April 6, 2015, for the Police Jury to deliver two (2) loads of Cold Mix and (1) load of pit run to the City Shop located on Spring Street. (The work is to be done under the standard reimbursement – ad valorem tax credit.)

Upon motion by George Tigner, III, duly seconded by Jerry Adkins, the Jury unanimously approved the request from the Claiborne Jubilee, in a letter received April 6, 2015, for the use of the Court House lawn the weekend of May 8 & 9. This is with the understanding that approval also of the Team Cade Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser which has had the weekend reserved since December.

Upon motion by Rev. Willie Young, Sr., duly seconded by Lavelle Penix, the Jury unanimously approved the request from the Hill Farm Research Station, in a letter received April 7, 2015, for help on repairing pot holes on the Hill Farm roads. Work is to be done at a cost of \$150/hour.

President Scott Davidson presented the renewal rates for the Parish's Health Insurance Plan through Humana for the 2015-2016 year with a proposed increase of 15.97%. The Jury will vote on this plan during the May 2015 meeting, effective June 1st.

Upon motion by Mark Furlow, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, the Jury unanimously approved the request from Fire District #4 for dirt work at the Bethlehem Fire Station. (The work is to be done under the standard reimbursement agreement.)

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by Mark Furlow, the Jury unanimously approved the purchase of a laptop computer and related software renewals/subscriptions to work on the Parish's Mack trucks. (Estimated cost \$6,100)

President Scott Davidson read the notice from the Town of Haynesville in reference to a scheduled Ethics Training on Tuesday, April 4, 2015 at the Claiborne Parish Fair Complex.

President Scott Davidson reminded Jurors their Tier 3 Personal Financial Disclosures are due by May 15, 2015.

President Scott Davidson reminded everyone the auditors will be at the Police Jury on April 27th to begin their field work on the annual audit.

Resolution 2015 – 004 was tabled until the May 2015 meeting, due to a schedule conflict.

President Scott Davidson presented the AMENDED Claiborne Parish Handbook. Secretary-Treasurer, Dwayne Woodard told the Jury, they will be approving it in the next committee meeting and every employee will receive a copy, along with a signature letter stating they had received and read the handbook.

Upon motion by George Tigner, III, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, the Jury unanimously approved the 2015 Chip Seal List for the 2015 year.

Proposed Chip Seal List for 2015

	1 Shot	2 Shot	3 Shot
Public Boat Landing Road	.9		
Coleman Loop		.8	
John Pixley Road		2.3	
Cemetery Road	.4		
Cato Road	1.3		.4
Shine Lane			.1
Plum Tree Road			.2
Hill Road			.1
Fred Smith Road	.5		
Ponderosa Road			.5
Rocky Springs Road	.9		.3
Holley Springs Road	1.2	1.0	
Line Road	2.2		
Webb Country Road	.8		
Rolling Hills Road	.2		
Hughes Road			.1
Maddox Road	.6		
Clarence Ivory Road			.5
Sherman Loop	.6		
Garrett Hill Road	.4		
WPA Road	3.6		
Ridge Road	1.4		
Stewart Road	.1		
Richardson Loop	1.5		
Sidney Road	.1		
PD Worley	1.8		
Dr. Worley	1.3		
Avenger Road	.9		
Barber Creek Road	2.3		
Holley Ridge Road	2.3		
Henderson Rd.		.3	
Total miles per shot	25.3	4.4	2.2

Total Estimated Cost = \$455,929

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by Mark Furlow, the Jury unanimously approved the request from Road Superintendent Tommy Durrett to hire Mr. Jeff Brown to the position of Operator II effective April 9, 2015 at \$11.50 per hour. (Mr. Brown has been employed with us thru Manpower)

Upon motion by Joe Sturges, duly seconded by Mark Furlow, the Jury unanimously approved the request from Road Superintendent Tommy Durrett, to hire two (2) part-time employees through Manpower for help during the summer season with spraying and chip sealing.

Upon motion by Joe Sturges, duly seconded by Mark Furlow, the Jury unanimously approved the request from the OOCs Board to allow OOCs Executive Director Jodie Heigle to purchase a Dodge Journey under the State Contract for approximately \$17,433.

Upon motion by Joe Sturges, duly seconded by Mark Furlow, the Jury unanimously approved the request from the Claiborne Parish Watershed District, in a letter dated April 1, 2015, requesting that the Police Jury appoint Mr. Chad Reeder of Haynesville to replace Dr. Robert Haynes beginning September 1, 2015.

Upon motion by Joe Sturges duly seconded by George Tigner, III, the Jury unanimously approved the request from the Claiborne Parish Watershed District, in a letter dated April 1, 2015, requesting that the Police Jury appoint Mr. Sam Dowies of Homer to replace Mr. Wayne Kilpatrick beginning September 1, 2015.

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, the Jury unanimously approved the request from Mrs. Erin White, RN of the Claiborne Parish Health Unit, in a letter dated April 1, 2015, requesting the purchase of (2) two scanners for the Health Unit at an estimated cost of \$800.00 for their transition to electronic medical records beginning in May.

Robert McDaniel gave an update on the project for the Building and Grounds. He said the CID project is moving along. The LCDBG Admin Project materials have been ordered. The materials have been ordered for the Court House Roof.

Upon motion by Robert McDaniel, duly seconded by George Tigner, III, the Jury unanimously approved allowing Town of Homer to place a collector box for receiving water meter signals at the CID utility pole in the rear lot and on the right-of-way of Box Factory Road .

Upon motion by Robert McDaniel, duly seconded by Mark Furlow, the Jury unanimously approved the installation of a new HVAC Package Unit by AC Services of Minden in the amount of \$11,282. (There were 2 bids turned in, the other bid was \$14,795.)

Upon motion by George Tigner, III, duly seconded by Lavelle Penix, the Jury unanimously approved Resolution 2015 – 005 – FY 2016-2017 LCDBG Citizens Participation Plan/Citizen Compliant Officer. (Naming Dwayne Woodard)

RESOLUTION 2015-005

FY 2016-2017 LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (LCDBG) PROGRAM CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN/CITIZEN COMPLAINT OFFICER

WHEREAS, the Claiborne Parish Police Jury is applying to the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) program FY 2016-FY 2017.

WHEREAS, the LCDBG Grant applications requires the Claiborne Parish Police Jury to adopt a Citizen Participation Plan/Citizen Complaint Officer for compliance with the LCDBG Program.

WHEREAS, the Claiborne Parish Police Jury is willing to compile a Citizen Participation Plan and recommends Dwayne R. Woodard as Citizen Complaint Officer for compliance with the LCDBG program.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Claiborne Parish Police Jury does hereby adopt a Citizen Participation Plan and appoints Dwayne R. Woodard as Citizen Complaint Officer for compliance with the LCDBG program FY 2016 – FY 2017.

Upon motion by George Tigner III, seconded by Lavelle Penix, this motion was carried and officially adopted by the Claiborne Parish Police Jury in our regular scheduled session on Wednesday, April 8, 2015.

Yeas – (9) Stevens, Furlow, McDaniel, Sturges, Davidson, Penix, Tigner, Adkins and Young

Nays – (0)

Abstain – N/A

Absent – (1) Mardis

/s/Dwayne R. Woodard
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/Scott Davidson
President

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by George Tigner III, the Jury unanimously approved Resolution 2015 – 006 – FY 2016-2017 LCDBG Program Application Procedures.

RESOLUTION 2011-006

FY 2016 – FY 2017 LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (LCDBG) PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCEDURES

WHEREAS, the Claiborne Parish Police Jury is submitting an application for the FY 2016-FY 2017 LCDBG Program; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the Claiborne Parish Police Jury is authorized to proceed with the development of the LCDBG application taking into consideration views and proposals submitted by citizens that attended the public hearing as well as those that were unable to attend and views of the governing body (possible discussion to choose from).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the application will be submitted for one of the following activities (deadline November 2015):

Sewer Treatment	\$1,000,000
New Sewer Collection	\$800,000
Existing Sewer Collection Rehab	\$800,000
Potable Water	\$800,000
Water for Fire Protection	\$500,000
Streets	\$600,000

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by George Tigner III this motion was carried and officially adopted by the Claiborne Parish Police Jury in our regular scheduled session on Wednesday, April 8, 2015.

Yeas – (9) Stevens, Furlow, McDaniel, Sturges, Davidson, Penix, Tigner, Adkins and Young

Nays – (0)

Absent – (1) Mardis

Abstain – N/A

/s/Dwayne R. Woodard
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/Scott Davidson
President

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by George Tigner, III, the Jury unanimously approved Resolution 2015 – 007 – FY 2016-2017 LCDBG Program Procurement Policy

RESOLUTION 2015-007

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR THE FY 2016-2017 LCDBG PROGRAM APPLICATION

The following motion is submitted for consideration in regards to the FY 2016 - FY 2017 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) program.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Claiborne Parish Police Jury does hereby adopt a Procurement Policy for compliance with the LCDBG Program.

Upon a motion by Lavelle Penix and duly seconded by George Tigner III this motion was carried and officially adopted by the Claiborne Parish Police Jury meeting in regular session convened on Wednesday, April 8, 2015.

Yeas – (9) Stevens, Furlow, McDaniel, Sturges, Davidson, Penix, Tigner, Adkins and Young

Nays – (0)

Abstain – N/A

Absent – (1) Mardis

/s/Dwayne R. Woodard
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/Scott Davidson
President

Upon motion by George Tigner, III, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, the Jury unanimously approved Resolution 2015 – 008 – FY 2016-2017 LCDBG Program Authorizing the Chief Elected Officer to Proceed with the Procurement and Selection of Professional Services

RESOLUTION 2015–008

AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL TO PROCEED WITH THE PROCUREMENT AND SELECTION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LCDBG APPLICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Claiborne Parish Police Jury is submitting an application for the FY 2016 – FY 2017 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) program; and

WHEREAS, Claiborne Parish Police Jury understands the need to authorize the Chief Elected Official to proceed with the Procurement and selection of professional services for the

purpose of assisting the development of the LCDBG application and implementation of the project.

WHEREAS, Mr. Scott Davidson is the Chief Elected Official to act and sign documents regarding the FY 2016 – FY 2017 LCDBG application on behalf of the Claiborne Parish Police Jury.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Claiborne Parish Police Jury does hereby appoint Scott Davidson who is our Chief Elected Official to act on behalf of the Claiborne Parish Police Jury in regards the procurement and selection of professional services for the purpose of assisting in the development of the LCDBG application and implementation of the project.

Upon motion by George Tigner III, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, this motion was carried and officially adopted by the Claiborne Parish Police Jury meeting in our regular scheduled session on Wednesday, April 8, 2015.

Yeas – (9) Stevens, Furlow, McDaniel, Sturges, Davidson, Penix, Tigner, Adkins and Young

Nays – (0)

Abstain – N/A

Absent – (1) Mardis

/s/Dwayne R. Woodard
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/Scott Davidson
President

Upon motion by Joe Sturges, duly seconded by Lavelle Penix, the Jury unanimously approved by a vote of (9) nine being for and (0) zero being against (1) one absent (RM)

Resolution 2015 – 009 - A Resolution Providing for the Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Result of the Special Election Held in the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, On Saturday March 28, 2015, to Dedicate the Revenues Derived from a Special Tax Therein...(Claiborne Parish Hospital Service District No. 3 ½ cent sales tax)

The following resolution was offered by Joe Sturges and seconded by Lavelle Penix:

RESOLUTION 2015-009

A resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, March 28, 2015, to dedicate the revenues derived from a special tax therein.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the “Governing Authority”), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the “Parish”) that:

SECTION 1. Canvass. This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulations of votes cast at the special election held in the Parish on SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2015, to dedicate the revenues derived from a special tax therein, and said Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the special election.

SECTION 2. Procès Verbal. A *Procès Verbal* of the canvass of the returns of said election shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Claiborne, who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of said Parish; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

SECTION 3. Promulgation of Election Result. The result of said election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law.

Upon motion by Willie Young, Sr., duly seconded by Mark Furlow, the Jury unanimously approved Resolution 2015 – 010 – Resolution Providing the Levy within the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, Commencing July 1, 2015 and Ending April 30, 2025, of a One-Half of One Percent (1/2%) Sales and Use Tax

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF CLAIBORNE

The following Resolution was introduced by Rev. Willie Young, Sr., who moved for its adoption, and was seconded by Mark Furlow:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-010
PARISH OF CLAIBORNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA

A Resolution providing for the levy within the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, effective July 1, 2015, of a one half of one percent (.5%) sales and use tax (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and upon the sale of services in said Parish, levying and providing for the assessment, collection, payment and dedication of the proceeds of such Tax and the purpose for which the proceeds of the Tax may be expended, such Tax having been authorized at a special election held in the Parish on March 28, 2015.

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Article VI, Section 29(B) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and other constitutional and statutory authority and an election held on March 28, 2015, the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), acting through its Police Jury, as its governing authority (the "Governing Authority"), is authorized to levy and collect within the Parish a one half of one percent (0.5%) sales and use tax (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and upon the sale of services as provided by law, pursuant to the following proposition which was approved at said election held on March 28, 2015:

PROPOSITION
(0.5% SALES TAX)

Shall the Claiborne Parish Police Jury (the "Parish"), under the provisions of Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and other constitutional and statutory authority, be authorized to levy and collect, a tax of one-half of one percent (0.5%) (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and on sales of services in the Parish, all as defined by law, for a period of ten (10) years, commencing May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2025, the levy of the Tax for the first year is expected to collect approximately \$700,000, with the proceeds of the Tax (after paying costs of collecting and administering the Tax), to be transferred to the Claiborne Parish Hospital Service District No. 3 (the "District") pursuant to an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Parish and dedicated for the purpose of the District's operation, maintenance and improvement of hospital facilities and equipment for the Claiborne Memorial Medical Center (formerly known as the Homer Memorial Hospital)?

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 47:337.5, the first available effective date for collection of the Tax is July 1, 2015.

WHEREAS, in compliance with the aforesaid constitutional and statutory authority and said special election of March 28, 2015, it is the desire of this Governing Authority to provide for the levy and collection of the Tax and to provide for distribution of the proceeds thereof and other matters in connection therewith as hereinafter provided in this Resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Claiborne Parish Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, thereof, that:

SECTION 1. Imposition. Pursuant to the authority of a special election held in the Parish on March 28, 2015, a tax is hereby levied upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property, and upon the lease or rental of tangible personal property and on the sales of services in the Parish (the "Tax"), as defined by law. The Uniform Local Sales Tax Code, as enacted by Act 73 of the 2003 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature and as it may be amended, shall apply in the assessment, collection, administration and enforcement of the Tax, the provisions of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

SECTION 2. Rate. The Tax is levied at the rate of one half of one percent (0.5%) of the sales price of each item or article of tangible personal property when sold at retail in the Parish, the Tax to be computed on gross sales for the purpose of remitting the amount of tax due to the Parish, and to include each and every retail sale. The Tax is levied at the rate of one half of one percent (0.5%) of the cost price of each item or article of tangible personal property when the same is not sold but is used, consumed, distributed, or stored for use or consumption in the Parish, provided there shall be no duplication of the Tax. The Tax is levied at one half of one percent (0.5%) of the gross proceeds derived from the lease or rental of tangible personal property, as defined by law, where the lease or rental of such property is an established business, or part of an established business, or the same is incidental or germane to the said business, or of the monthly lease or rental price paid by lessee or rentee, or contracted or agreed to be paid by lessee or rentee to the owner of the tangible personal property. The Tax is levied at the rate of one half of one percent (0.5%) of the amount paid or charged for taxable services, as defined by law, performed in the Parish.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. The Tax shall be effective on July 1, 2015.

SECTION 4. Expiration Date. The tax will expire April 30, 2025.

SECTION 5. Purposes. The proceeds of the Tax shall be used for the purposes set forth in the proposition approved by the voters in the special election held in the Parish on March 28, 2015, which proposition is set forth in the preamble hereto.

SECTION 6. Vendor's Compensation. For the purpose of compensating the dealer in accounting for and remitting the Tax levied by this Resolution, each dealer shall be allowed one half of one half of one percent (.5%) of the amount of Tax due and accounted for and remitted to the Parish's collector in the form of a deduction in submitting his report and paying the amount due by the dealer, provided the amount due was not delinquent at the time of payment, and provided the amount of any credit claimed for taxes already paid to a wholesaler shall not be deducted in computing the commission allowed the dealer hereunder.

SECTION 7. Exclusions and Exemptions. The Governing Authority adopts none of the optional exclusions or exemptions allowed by State sales and use tax law, nor does the Governing Authority adopt any exclusions or exemptions authorized by legislation enacted under Article VI, Section 29 (D)(1) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, that are not allowed as an exclusion or exemption from State sales and use tax. Included within the Tax base is every transaction, whether sales, use, lease or rental, consumption, storage or service, with no exclusions or exemptions except for those mandated upon political subdivisions by the Constitution or statutes of the State of Louisiana, including the Act.

SECTION 8. Interest. The interest on unpaid taxes provided for by La. R.S. 47:337.69 shall be at the rate of one and one-fourth percent (1¼%) per month.

SECTION 9. Delinquency Penalty. The delinquency penalty, as provided by La. R.S. 47:337.70, shall be five percent (5%) per month on the unpaid amount of the Tax due for each thirty-day period, not to exceed five thirty-day periods.

SECTION 10. Penalty for False or Fraudulent Return. Penalty as provided by La. R.S. 47:337.72 shall be fifty percent (50%) of the Tax found to be due.

SECTION 11. Negligence Penalty. The penalty provided by La. R.S. 47:337.73 shall be five percent (5%) of the Tax or deficiency found to be due, or ten dollars (\$10.00), whichever is greater.

SECTION 12. Penalty for Insufficient Funds Check. The penalty provided in La. R.S. 47:337.74 shall be an amount equal to the greater of one half of one percent (.5%) of the check or twenty dollars (\$20.00).

SECTION 13. Attorney Fees. The collector is authorized to employ private counsel to assist in the collection of any taxes, penalties or interest due under this Resolution, or to represent him in any proceeding under this Resolution. If any taxes, penalties or interest due under this Resolution are referred to an attorney at law for collection, an additional charge of attorney fees, in the amount of ten per centum (10%) of the taxes, penalties and interest due, shall be paid by the tax debtor.

SECTION 14. Penalty for Costs Incurred. As provided by R.S. 47:337.75, and under the circumstances set forth therein, a penalty shall be added to the amount of tax due in an amount as itemized by the Collector to compensate for all costs incurred in making an examination of books, records or documents, or an audit thereof, or in the holding of hearings or the subpoenaing and compensating of witnesses.

SECTION 15. Distrain Penalty. The penalty as provided by R.S. 47:337.76 in cases where the distraint procedure is used in the collection of the Tax shall be ten dollars (\$10.00).

SECTION 16. Limits on Interest, Penalty and Attorney Fees. Should the interest, penalties or attorney fees herein, or the combined interest, penalties and attorney fees be declared to be in excess of limits provided by other law, including relevant jurisprudence, then the maximum interest, penalties and attorney fees allowed by such other law shall apply.

SECTION 17. Collector. The Tax levied by this Resolution is authorized to be collected by a "Collector" which term shall mean the Claiborne Parish School Board, State of Louisiana.

SECTION 18. Powers of Collector. The Collector is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to carry into effect the provisions of this Resolution, to appoint deputies, assistants or agents to assist it in the performance of its duties, and in pursuance thereof to make and enforce such rules as it may deem necessary.

SECTION 19. Agreement to Collect Tax on Vehicles. With regard to the collection of the Tax on any motor vehicle, automobile, truck, truck-trailer, trailer, semi-trailer, motor bus, home trailer, or any other vehicle subject to the vehicle registration license tax, this Governing Authority authorizes the Mayor, acting on behalf of the Parish and this Governing Authority, to execute an agreement with the Vehicle Commissioner, Department of Public Safety and Corrections for the collection of the Tax on said vehicles, as provided by R.S.47:303(B).

SECTION 20. Revenues of Tax. All taxes, revenues, funds, assessments, moneys, penalties, fees or other income which may be collected or come into the possession of the Collector under any provision or provisions of this Resolution relating to the Tax shall be promptly deposited by the Collector for the account of the Parish in a special fund heretofore established and maintained for the deposit of such proceeds, which fund shall be a separate bank account established and maintained with the regularly designated fiscal agent of the Parish; provided, however, any amount which is paid under protest or which is subject to litigation may be transferred to a separate account established by the Collector with said fiscal agent pending the final determination of the protest or litigation.

In compliance with the said special election of March 28, 2015, authorizing the Tax, after all reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administration of the Tax has been paid as provided for above, the remaining balance in such said special fund shall be

available for appropriation and expenditures by the Governing Authority solely for the purposes designated in the proposition authorizing the levy of the Tax.

SECTION 21. Severability. If any or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution, but this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this Resolution which validates or makes legal any provision of this Resolution which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this Resolution.

SECTION 22. Publication and Recordation. This Resolution shall be published in one issue of the official journal of this Governing Authority as soon as is reasonably possible. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be recorded in the mortgage records of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana.

Upon motion by Joe Sturges, duly seconded by Lavelle Penix, the Jury unanimously approved the hardship request from Mrs. Eloise Webb of 915 White Oak Road in Homer, LA. (Estimated cost of \$250.00)

Tabled from the March meeting - a request from Mr. Herman Stephens, in a letter received February 20, 2015, requesting permission to place a mobile cart on the Court House Lawn containing religious literature on days when court is in session died due to lack of a motion from the floor.

ITEM #31 – April 8, 2015 – AGENDA

SECRETARY-TREASURER – UPDATE ON GRANTS AND OTHER ITEMS

1. LGAP Projects –

North Claiborne Hospital Service District
Contract #1213-CLB-0001 Amount - \$45,000
Project – emergency power generator for clinic building
Status – contract awarded to TGS Contractors and construction is complete and we are in the process of seeking reimbursement and filing the close-out papers.

CPSO – Criminal Investigation Division Building
Contract #1213-CLB-0002 Amount - \$27,560
Project – removal of rood top curb unit in training room and resealing of front outer brick
Status – Bid awarded to Pro-Build Construction of Homer for \$31,626.

CPPJ – Police Jury Administration Building
Contract #1314-CLB-0001 Amount - \$49,800
Project – repairs/renovations to the exterior of the PJ Administration Building
Status – Bid awarded to Garcia Construction, project should start within 30 days

2. CWEF Projects

Central Claiborne Water System
Contract #1112-CWEF-CLB-0002
Amount - \$40,000
Project – drill new well
Status – no activity since the Central Claiborne has been unable to acquire additional monies needed to drill well.

Middle Fork Water System
Contract #1213-CWEF-CLB-0001
Amount - \$45,000
Project – water system improvements
Status – project is complete, waiting on reimbursement and close out

3. Sales Tax Collections for February 2015 – net of \$45,917 from gross collections of \$47,095 on taxable sales of \$4,421,945.
Net sales tax collections for January 2015 – \$63,350 – decrease \$-17,433 (-27.52%)
Net sales tax collections for February 2014 - \$68,627 – decrease \$-22,710 (-33.09%)

4. Cash position at March 31, 2015 - \$8,257,376
Cash position at March 31, 2014 - \$8,303,241 (decrease of \$-45,865)
Cash position at February 28, 2015 - \$8,540,588 (decrease of \$-283,212)

See Deposit Balances by Institution for breakdown at March 31, 2015 –

5. Total Receipts for the month of March 2015 – \$266,731

6. Upcoming important dates and meetings I plan to attend –

- 4/14 – Ethics Training – Haynesville
- 4/16 – CPSO Facility Planning Session
- 4/16 – Sparta Commission - Ruston
- 4/21 – Economic Development Board Meeting
- 4/23 – CPHSD#3 Board Meeting – Athens Town Hall
- 4/27 – Committee Meetings
- 5/6 – Regular Meeting
- 5/8 – LRPIC Meeting - Monroe

Public Comment:

Mr. Lee Faulk of the LSU Ag Center gave an update on the Agriculture Sales results in Claiborne Parish - \$108.5 million in Poultry, \$43.5 million in Forestry, and \$8.3 million in cattle. This totals for the money generated by Agriculture in Claiborne Parish in the amount of \$168 million dollars.

Road Superintendent Tommy Durrett told jurors to be patient with bush hogging. The rain is making it hard to keep up the mowing without tearing up the ditches. He also stated he was running the side cutter behind the bush hogs to help on the cutting.

Upon motion by Lavelle Penix, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, the meeting was adjourned.

Dwayne R. Woodard
Secretary–Treasurer

Scott Davidson
President