

TO: Lincoln Parish Police Jury
FROM: Personnel/Benefits Committee
SUBJECT: Committee Report

The Personnel/Benefits Committee of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Third Floor, Lincoln Parish Courthouse, May 12, 2015, at 6:45 p.m. Present were: Hazel Hunter, Randy Roberson, Walter Pullen, and Jody Backus.

ABSENT: Joe Henderson, Chair; and Nancy Wilson

President Hazel Hunter called the meeting to order and Walter Pullen delivered the invocation.

Randy Roberson offered a motion, seconded by Walter Pullen, to approve the Agenda. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Hunter, Roberson, Pullen, and Backus

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson and Wilson

The only appointment to be considered was for the Library Board of Control. Randy Roberson offered a motion, seconded by Jody Backus, to recommend appointing incumbent Dr. David Gullatt for a five year term. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

YEAS: Hunter, Roberson, Pullen, and Backus

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henderson and Wilson

There being no other business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Joe Henderson
Committee Chair

The Lincoln Parish Police Jury met in regular session on Tuesday, May 12, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse, Ruston, Louisiana. Present were: Theresa Wyatt, District One; Hazel D. Hunter, District Two; Bobby Bennett, District Three; Randy Roberson, District Four; David Hammons, District Five; Walter Pullen, District Six; Jody Backus, District Seven; Skip Russell, District Eight; Joe Henderson, District Nine; and Sharyon Mayfield, District Eleven.

Absent: Nancy Wilson, District Ten; and Heather Walker, District Twelve.

President Hazel Hunter called the meeting to order and Joe Henderson delivered the invocation.

David Hammons offered a motion, seconded by Bobby Bennett, to approve the Agenda. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

Yeas: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Roberson, Hammons, Pullen, Backus, Russell, Henderson, and Mayfield

Nays: None

Absent: Wilson and Walker

The President asked for public comments on the agenda as approved. There were no public comments by anyone in attendance.

Randy Roberson offered a motion, seconded by Bobby Bennett, to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2015 meeting. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

Yeas: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Roberson, Hammons, Pullen, Backus, Russell, Henderson, and Mayfield

Nays: None

Absent: Wilson and Walker

Lindsay Gouedy, Environmental Education Consultant for the Keep Lincoln Parish Beautiful Commission, was present to give an update on recent activities sponsored by the Commission.

Mrs. Sue Martin, of 4-Paws Rescue of Lincoln Parish, was present to report on recent activities and make an appeal for additional assistance from the Police Jury.

Next on the Agenda were two Proclamations pertaining to the Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish. (Theresa Wyatt left the meeting.) Joe Henderson offered a motion, seconded by Randy Roberson, to adopt a Proclamation in support of National Transportation Week.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The Lincoln Parish Public Transportation System has more than a 33-year history of existence in Lincoln Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, The existence of said system enhances access of the rural public to vital needs such as health care, education, employment, shopping, recreation and other services; and

WHEREAS the Lincoln Parish Public Transportation System is the only transportation system handicapped accessible and open to the general public; and

WHEREAS, The Lincoln Parish Public Transportation System is dedicated to the continued provision of safe, dependable and economical transit services to the citizens of Lincoln Parish;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Hazel Hunter, President of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, do hereby recognize and acknowledge May 10-16, 2015 as:

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK

And encourage all citizens to support the Transportation services provided by Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (H.E.L.P.).

/s/ Hazel Hunter
Hazel Hunter
Police Jury President

The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

Yeas: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Roberson, Hammons, Pullen, Backus, Russell, Henderson, and Mayfield

Nays: None

Absent: Wyatt, Wilson and Walker

(Theresa Wyatt returned to the meeting.) Sharyon Mayfield offered a motion, seconded by David Hammons to adopt a Proclamation in support of Community Action Month.

Proclamation

Whereas, Community Action Agencies were created with the signing of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964; and

Whereas, Community Action Agencies have more than a 46-year history of promoting self-sufficiency for those of limited income; and

Whereas, Community Action Agencies are needed as major participants in the reform of the welfare system as we know it; and

Whereas, Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish is the state recognized Community Action Agency of Lincoln Parish; and

Whereas, Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (H.E.L.P.) has made an essential contribution to individuals and families in Lincoln Parish, by providing them with innovative and cost-effective programs; and

Whereas, Welfare reform in Lincoln Parish has benefited from the state's partnership with Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (H.E.L.P.); and

Whereas, those of limited income continue to need opportunities to improve their living conditions, thus ensuring that all citizens are able to live in dignity; and

Whereas, Lincoln Parish and the entire United States must continue to fight poverty by providing support and opportunities for all citizens in need of assistance;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that I, Hazel Hunter, President of the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as:

Community Action Month

In Lincoln Parish and encourage all citizens to support Community Action related activities and programs offered by the state recognized Community Action Agency in Lincoln Parish, Humanitarian Enterprises of Lincoln Parish (H.E.L.P.).

/s/ Hazel Hunter
Hazel Hunter
Police Jury President

The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

Yeas: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Roberson, Hammons, Pullen, Backus, Russell, Henderson, and Mayfield

Nays: None

Absent: Wyatt, Wilson and Walker

Randy Roberson offered a motion, seconded by Bobby Bennett, to advertise for bids for hot mix and cold mix for a six month period through December 31, 2015. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

Yeas: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Roberson, Hammons, Pullen, Backus, Russell, Henderson, and Mayfield

Nays: None

Absent: Wilson and Walker

Joe Henderson stated that the Personnel/Benefits Committee met at 6:45 pm this day and the Committee recommends appointing Dr. David Gullatt to the Lincoln Parish Library Board of Control for a five year term. Bobby Bennett offered a motion, seconded by Sharyon Mayfield, to approve the minutes of the Personnel/Benefits Committee. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

Yeas: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Roberson, Hammons, Pullen, Backus, Russell, Henderson, and Mayfield

Nays: None

Absent: Wilson and Walker

Under other business, Theresa Wyatt offered a motion, seconded by Randy Roberson, to approve travel for registered Jurors to the NACO Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina from July 10-13, 2015 with reimbursements made according to previous policies. The motion was voted upon and carried with the following votes:

Yeas: Wyatt, Hunter, Bennett, Roberson, Hammons, Pullen, Backus, Russell, Henderson, and Mayfield

Nays: None

Absent: Wilson and Walker

Under Reports, Solid Waste Superintendent Kerry Outley gave an update on the transfer station operations. Jerry Doss, Highway Superintendent, stated that several people had registered for the Beaver Control Program. Kip Franklin, Homeland Security, stated that there would be a Public Officials Workshop and Communication Drill held on May 29, 2015 at Argent Pavilion. There being no other business or public comments, the meeting was adjourned.

Courtney Hall
Parish Administrator

Hazel Hunter
Parish President