

April 21, 2003

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY, PARISH OF OUACHITA,  
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON  
MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2003 AT SIX THIRTY-EIGHT (6:38) P.M.**

The Police Jury of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana met in regular and legal session in the Ouachita Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Monroe, Louisiana, on Monday, April 21, 2003 at 6:38 P.M. and was duly convened by the Honorable Daryll Berry, President, who stated that the Police Jury was ready for the transaction of business.

Invocation was given by Mr. King Dawson, District F Police Juror. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mr. King Dawson, District F Police Juror.

**Members present: (6)**

Ms. Paul Hargrove	District A
Mr. Mack Calhoun	District B
Mr. Roger Elkin	District C
Mr. Daryll Berry	District D
Ms. Ashley Daily	District E
Mr. King S. Dawson	District F

**Members absent: (0)**

Motion was offered by Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Elkin to adopt the Minutes of the last meeting as published in the Official Journal.

Motion adopted.

The President CONVENED a Public Hearing regarding the application for limited ad valorem tax exemption under the Restoration Tax Abatement Program for the renovation of a structure located at 229 Trenton Street.

No one appeared to speak on behalf of or against the proposed improvement.

Motion was offered by Mr. Hargrove, seconded by Mr. Elkin to close the Public Hearing.

Motion adopted.

The President declared the Public Hearing CLOSED.

Judge Jim Norris and Bill Land rescheduled their discussion on the Green Oaks Juvenile Detention Home until the May 5, 2003 Police Jury meeting.

Cathy Tonore, CEO of Primary Health Services, spoke to the Police Jury regarding a proposal to remain in the existing Health Unit.

After discussion, motion was offered by Mr. Berry, seconded by Mr. Dawson to approve the concept of the proposal for the use of the existing Health Unit, subject to the submission of a written proposal from Primary Health Services, outlining the exact services to be performed, the number of employees to be retained, and the length of time and the amount of rent they may pay to off set the expenses of the Police Jury at that location.

Motion adopted.

Lori Reneau, Monroe Chamber of Commerce gave a status report on the recent activities and upcoming events of the Monroe Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Dawson requested that representatives from the West Monroe-West Ouachita Chamber of Commerce and the Monroe Chamber of Commerce report to the Police Jury bi-monthly.

Ms. Sherry Percy, granddaughter of John and Ruby Moore, 1350 Belle Cote Road, spoke regarding being placed on the list for the flood mitigation buy-out program.

Motion was offered by Mr. Hargrove, seconded by Mr. Berry to approve that certain Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Ouachita Parish Police Jury and the West Monroe-West Ouachita Chamber of Commerce for the year 2003, all as per Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

Motion adopted.

Motion was offered by Mr. Hargrove, seconded by Mr. Berry to hold a public meeting on the proposed increase in the sewer user fees in the following systems currently administered by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury under West Ouachita Sewer District #16 to \$22.50 per structure per month so as to offset the cost of maintenance and billing expenses and to provide for some accumulation of funds for potential capital replacement in the future, to-wit:

- a) Acadian Park Plantation
- b) Country Estates
- c) Calvert Crossing
- d) Green Fields
- e) Country Heritage Estates

Motion adopted.

Motion was offered by Mr. Hargrove, seconded by Mr. Elkin that pursuant to the provisions of LSA-R.S. 42:7, which provides that upon approval of two-thirds of the members present, that

at a meeting of a public body, the public body may take up a matter NOT on the Agenda, that discussion of a resolution supporting the restoration of local government authority concerning protection from secondhand tobacco smoke be added to the Agenda.

Motion adopted.

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Hargrove, seconded Mr. Elkin:

**RESOLUTION NO. 03-25**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RESTORATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY CONCERNING PROTECTION FROM SECONDHAND TOBACCO SMOKE; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, no state has a higher rate of cancer deaths than does Louisiana; and

**WHEREAS**, tobacco costs the Louisiana economy over \$2.8 billion annually in health care costs and lost productivity; and

**WHEREAS**, like asbestos and radioactive radon gas, secondhand smoke is classified by the Environmental Protection Agency as a Class A carcinogen; and

**WHEREAS**, secondhand smoke causes lung cancer and heart disease in non-smokers, and triggers bronchitis and pneumonia in our children; and

**WHEREAS**, local standards to protect against secondhand smoke exposure in public places and workplaces have been implemented successfully in communities across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, preemption is a mechanism by which a higher level of government takes away the power of lesser jurisdictions to regulate a given subject; and

**WHEREAS**, Louisiana's state preemption language prevents local governments from enacting more comprehensive protection against secondhand smoke; and

**WHEREAS**, local governments in Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas, and most states are not prevented from enacting comprehensive protections against secondhand smoke; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Association of Parish and City Health Officials advocates for the inclusion of language in all state legislation that preserves local government authority to enact more comprehensive protections from secondhand smoke;

**WHEREAS**, the Louisiana Legislature will consider Bills to repeal R.S. 40:1300.26 and R.S. 40:1300.46, thus restoring to local government control over local public buildings, in Committee on Wednesday, April 23, 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, time is of the essence so as to allow expression of the will of the people of Ouachita Parish as to the discouragement over protection from secondhand tobacco smoke in governmental buildings.

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that it does hereby advocate for the repeal of preemptive legislation contained within the State of Louisiana Indoor Clean Air Law (R.S. 40:1300.26 and R.S. 40:1300.46) with regard to workplaces and public places; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury encourage the State of Louisiana to adopt legal language explicitly restoring local government authority to enact more comprehensive protections from secondhand tobacco smoke for Louisiana residents.

The above Resolution was adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

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Motion was offered by Mr. Berry, seconded by Mr. Elkin that pursuant to the provisions of LSA-R.S. 42:7, which provides that upon approval of two-thirds of the members present, that at a meeting of a public body, the public body may take up a matter NOT on the Agenda, that discussion of a contract between the Ouachita Parish Police Jury and the Ouachita Parish Firefighters be added to the Agenda.

Motion adopted.

After discussion, motion was offered by Mr. Hargrove, seconded unanimously to approve the contract between the Ouachita Parish Police Jury and the Ouachita Parish Firefighters.

Motion adopted.

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Hargrove, seconded by Mr. Elkin:  
RESOLUTION NO. 03-16

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR BUDDY PEARSON REGARDING THE RENOVATION OF A HISTORIC STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 229 TRENTON STREET, WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, under LSA-R.S. 47:4314, a renewal application for a limited ad valorem tax exemption is required to be reviewed by the local governing authority prior to approval thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the renewal application for a limited ad valorem tax exemption for improvements to the existing historic structure located at 229 Trenton Street will greatly enhance the economic development of downtown West Monroe.

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that that certain renewal application under the Restoration Tax Abatement Program by Buddy Pearson, dated February 4, 2003 regarding the contract renewal application under the Restoration Tax Abatement Program for the existing structure located at 229 Trenton Street be and hereby is approved, all as per Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

The above Resolution adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

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The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Hargrove, seconded by Mr. Calhoun:  
RESOLUTION NO. 03-21

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND (\$25,000.00) DOLLARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURNISHING AND INSTALLING EQUIPMENT FOR CHENIERE DREW WATER SYSTEM WATER COMPANY, INC.; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the furnishing and installation of generators, cameras, security fencing and other equipment for the Cheniere Drew Water System Water Company, Inc. is in the best interests of the citizens of west Ouachita Parish.

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that that certain application to the Office of Rural Development of the State of Louisiana in the amount of \$25,000.00 to furnish and install generators, cameras, security fencing and other equipment for the Cheniere Drew Water System Water Company, Inc., be and hereby is approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Daryll Berry, President, be and hereby authorized and empowered to execute said application to the Office of Rural Development of the State of Louisiana as set forth above.

The above Resolution adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

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Mr. Hargrove spoke regarding terminated employees whether voluntary or involuntary, returning to the workplace.

After discussion, no action was taken.

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Mr. Berry:  
RESOLUTION NO. 03-22

**A RESOLUTION DEDICATING THE RIGHT OF WAY OF ENTERPRISE DRIVE AND OWENS-MURPHY ROAD AS PUBLIC ROADS; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the dedication of Enterprise Drive and Owens-Murphy Road as public roads will allow the development of areas adjacent thereto as commercial properties.

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that it does hereby dedicate certain portions of Enterprise Drive and Owens-Murphy Road as public roads, all as per Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that John Tom Murray, Director of Public Works be and hereby authorized and empowered to execute said plat evidencing the dedication of Enterprise Drive and Owens-Murphy Road as public roads, all as per Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

The above Resolution adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

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The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Mr. Elkin:

**RESOLUTION NO. 03-23**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST TO THE OFFICE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND (\$25,000.00) DOLLARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPANDING THE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING FACILITIES AT CHENIERE LAKE AREA 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$12,500.00) DOLLARS, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTION OF A STORAGE BUILDING AT CHENIERE LAKE AREA 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$12,500.00) DOLLARS; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the expansion of the recreational vehicle parking facilities at Cheniere Lake Area 1 will greatly enhance Cheniere Lake Park as a destination for travelers.

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that that certain application to the Office of Rural Development of the State of Louisiana for a grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 to expand the recreational vehicle parking facilities located at Area 1 Cheniere Lake Park and for construction of a storage building be and hereby is authorized.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Daryll Berry, President, be and hereby authorized and empowered to execute said application to the Office of Rural Development of the State of Louisiana as set forth above on behalf of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury.

The above Resolution adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

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The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Mr. Hargrove and Mr. Elkin:

**RESOLUTION NO. 03-24**

**A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE PARISH OF OUACHITA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO AUTHORIZE THE REDEDICATION AND CONTINUATION OF A SPECIAL TAX THEREIN; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

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

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Sections 30 and 32 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6-A of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish on **SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2003**, between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m., and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit: PARISHWIDE PROPOSITION

**(LIBRARY TAX REDEDICATION & CONTINUATION)**

**SUMMARY:** AUTHORITY TO REDEDICATE ALL OF THE PROCEEDS OF A 7.75 MILLS TAX AUTHORIZED TO BE LEVIED IN THE YEARS 1996 THROUGH 2005, INCLUSIVE, PURSUANT TO AN ELECTION HELD IN THE PARISH ON NOVEMBER 18, 1995 SO THAT SUCH PROCEEDS MAY BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, MAINTENANCE, OPERATION, CONSTRUCTION, ACQUISITION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION AND SUPPORT OF THE OUACHITA PARISH LIBRARY AND ITS BRANCHES AND FOR FURTHER AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE TO LEVY THE TAX ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION WITHIN THE PARISH FOR AN ADDITIONAL TEN (10) YEARS BEGINNING WITH THE YEAR 2006 AND ENDING WITH THE YEAR 2015 WITH THE PROCEEDS THEREOF TO BE USED FOR THE AFORESAID PURPOSES.

Shall the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana, be authorized to rededicate all of the proceeds heretofore or hereafter received by the Parish from the levy and collection of a seven and seventy-five hundredths (7.75) mills tax (the “Tax”), authorized to be levied in the years 1996 through 2005, inclusive, pursuant to an election held in the Parish on November 18, 1995, so that

such proceeds may be used for the purposes of providing funds for equipment, supplies, maintenance, operation, construction, acquisition, improvement, renovation and support of the Ouachita Parish Library and its branches, and further, shall the Parish be authorized to continue to levy the Tax on all property subject to taxation within the Parish for an additional ten (10) years beginning with the year 2006 and ending with the year 2015 with the proceeds thereof to be used for the aforesaid purposes?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in "The Ouachita Citizen," a weekly (Thursday) newspaper of general circulation within the Parish, published in West Monroe, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the Parish, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "*Exhibit A*" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority, acting as the governing authority of the Parish, shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room, Second Floor, Ouachita Parish Courthouse, 300 St. John Street, Monroe, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2003, at SIX THIRTY O'CLOCK (6:30) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held on Monday, August 4, 2003, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines shall be used thereat.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Secretary of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the President and/or Secretary of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election, including but not limited to, appropriate submission to the Federal Department of Justice under Section 5 of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana, and the Registrar of Voters in and for said Parish, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein, and a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

And the resolution was declared adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

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Recording Secretary

President

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**EXHIBIT "A"**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION**

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana (the "Parish") on April 21, 2003, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2003** and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

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The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the Parish, which polls will open at six o'clock (6:00) a.m., and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit:

POLLING PLACES	
Precinct	Location
1	Ouachita Christian School, 7065 Hwy 165 N
2	Sterlington Recreation Center, 709 Frances Ave
3	Jack Hayes Elementary School, 3631 Old Sterlington Rd
4	Ouachita Christian School, 7065 Hwy 165 N
5	Osterland Recreation Center, 710 Holland Dr
6	Swartz Recreation Center, 701 Lincoln Hill Dr
7	Swartz Recreation Center, 701 Lincoln Hill Dr
8	St. Marks Methodist Church, 513 Lincoln Rd
9	Ouachita Parish High School, 681 Hwy 594
10	Ouachita Parish Courthouse, 300 St. John St
11	Jefferson Upper Elementary School, 1001 Pecan St
12	Barkdull Faulk Elementary School, 2110 Jackson St
13	Benoit Recreation Center, 1700 Oaklawn Dr
14	Benoit Recreation Center, 1700 Oaklawn Dr
15	Henrietta Johnson Recreation Center, 2800 Burg Jones Ln
16	Emily P. Robinson Recreation Center, 3504 Jackson St
17	Emily P. Robinson Recreation Center, 3504 Jackson St
18	Richwood Town Hall, 363 Brown Rd
19	Robinson Elementary School, 5101 Burg Jones Ln
20	Shady Grove Elementary School, 2204 Ticheli Rd
21	Ticheli Road Fire Station, 2557 Ticheli Rd
22	Jefferson Upper Elementary School, 1001 Pecan St
23	Henrietta Johnson Recreation Center, 2800 Burg Jones Ln
24	MW Prince Hall Grand Masonic Lodge, 5500 Hwy 165 Bypass
25	Kincaid Road Fire Station, 3167 Prairie Rd
26	Kincaid Road Fire Station3167 Prairie Rd
27	Agriculture Building, 704 Cypress St

POLLING PLACES	
Precinct	Location
28	Cypress Street Library, 315 Cypress St
29	Riverbend Elementary School, 700 Austin St
30	Riverbend Elementary School, 700 Austin St
31	Richardson High School, 910 Thomas Rd
32	Claiborne Elementary School, 101 Wallace Dean Rd
33	Claiborne Elementary School, 101 Wallace Dean Rd
34	West Monroe Junior High School, 1600 N 7 <sup>th</sup> St
35	American Legion Hall, 220 Claiborne St
36	Kiroli Elementary School, 700 Kiroli Rd
37	West Monroe City Hall, 2305 N 7 <sup>th</sup> St
38	Wallace Road Fire Station, 717 Wallace Rd
39	Riser Junior High School, 100 Price Dr
40	Lenwil Elementary School, 112 Arrant Rd
41	Drew Elementary School, 1132 Hwy 15
42	Highland Elementary School, 1501 Wellerman Rd
43	Kiroli Elementary School, 700 Kiroli Rd
44	George Welch School, 199 Caldwell Rd
45	Drew Elementary School, 1132 Hwy 15
45	Highland Elementary School, 1501 Wellerman Rd
47	West Monroe Junior High School, 1600 N 7 <sup>th</sup> St
48	Lenwil Elementary School, 112 Arrant Rd
49	Drew Elementary School, 1132 Hwy 15
50	Kiroli Elementary School, 700 Kiroli Rd
51	Calhoun Middle School, 191 Hwy 80 E
52	Calhoun Middle School, 191 Hwy 80 E
53	Calhoun Middle School, 191 Hwy 80 E
54	Central Elementary School, 1163 Hwy 151 S

POLLING PLACES	
Precinct	Location
55	Central Elementary School, 1163 Hwy 151 S
56	Woodlawn Elementary School, 5946 Jonesboro Rd
57	Woodlawn Elementary School, 5946 Jonesboro Rd
58	Pinecrest Elementary School, 3604 Hwy 557
59	Lee Junior High School, 1600 N 19 <sup>th</sup> St
60	Saul Adler Recreation Center, 3900 Westminister Ave
61	American Legion Hall, 401 Forsythe Ave
62	Lee Junior High School, 1600 N 19 <sup>th</sup> St
63	J S Clark Magnet School, 1202 Breard St
64	Saul Adler Recreation Center, 3900 Westminister Ave
65	Carroll High School, 2939 Renwick St
66	Sherrouse School, 300 Sherrouse Ave
67	Monroe Hall-ULM Campus, 4031 Northeast Dr
68	Ouachita Parish Junior High School, 5500 Blanks Ave
69	Carroll High School, 2939 Renwick St
70	Lincoln Elementary School, 4200 Elm St
71	St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 1901 Lexington Ave
72	Lakeshore Elementary School, 550 Balboa Dr
73	Masur Hall-ULM Campus, 4105 Bon Aire Dr
74	Lincoln Elementary School, 4200 Elm St
75	St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 2816 Deborah Dr
76	Saul Adler Recreation Center, 3900 Westminister Ave
77	Lexington Elementary School, 1900 Lexington Ave
78	Neville High School, 600 Forsythe Ave
79	Lincoln Elementary School, 4200 Elm St

The polling places set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in the Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room, Second Floor, Ouachita Parish Courthouse, 300 St. John Street, Monroe, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2003 at SIX THIRTY O'CLOCK (6:30) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used thereat.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Monroe, Louisiana, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

ATTEST:

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President

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Recording Secretary

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The following Resolution was offered by Ms. Daily, seconded by Mr. Elkin and Mr. Calhoun:

**RESOLUTION NO. 03-20**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT BETWEEN THE  
OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY AND THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT REGARDING THE**

**RECONSTRUCTION OF ROWLAND DRIVE FROM ROWLAND ROAD TO U. S. HIGHWAY 80; AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING THE EXECUTION BY DARYLL BERRY, PRESIDENT, OF SAID CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the reconstruction of Rowland Drive from Rowland Road to U. S. Highway 80 is in the public interest;

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that that certain contract between the Parish of Ouachita and Soil Stabilizers, Inc. in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY AND 60/100 (\$571,930.60) DOLLARS regarding the reconstruction of Rowland Drive from Rowland Road to U. S. Highway 80, being State Project No. 742-34-0004, all as per Exhibit "A" attached hereto, be and hereby is approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the execution of said contract by Daryll Berry, President, on behalf of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury is hereby authorized and ratified.

The above Resolution adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

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Motion was offered by Mr. Berry, seconded by Mr. Calhoun that **CLAIMS** from the period of April 8, 2003 to April 21, 2003 totaling \$670,393.23, as per Exhibit "A" attached hereto, be approved for payment and that the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to issue the necessary checks in payment therefor.

Motion adopted.

Motion was offered by Mr. Berry, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to change the name of Richwood Road No. 2 in the unincorporated areas of Ouachita Parish to Mary F. Goins Drive.

Motion adopted.

Motion was offered by Mr. Berry, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to declare May 10, 2003 as *Clean Up Day* in the following areas, to-wit: Burg Jones Lane, Tanglewood, and Park Terrace.

Motion adopted.

Motion was offered by Ms. Daily, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to approve the Agreement between LSU Health Sciences Center and the Ouachita Parish Police Jury for medical supervision and care for juveniles located in Green Oaks Juvenile Detention Center from May 1, 2003 until June 30, 2007.

Motion adopted.

Ms. Daily informed the Police Jury that she was offering for introduction only, Ordinance No. 8750, an ordinance amending the boundaries of Ward 1 and Ward 2 of Ouachita Parish so as to include within Ward 2 certain property, restating the boundaries of Ward 1 and Ward 2, and referred the ordinance to the May 5, 2003 meeting.

Motion was offered by Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Hargrove to adopt the Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting held on Monday, April 7, 2003.

Motion adopted.

The following Proclamation was offered by Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Elkin:

**PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING APRIL, 2003 AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the strength of our nation flows from the promise of individual equality and freedom of choice; and

**WHEREAS**, the 35th Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans - individually and collectively - to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists. This law guarantees for each citizen that critical, personal element of freedom of choice - selection of the home; and

**WHEREAS**, a fair housing law has been passed by the State of Louisiana, and implementation of that law requires the positive commitment, involvement and support of each of our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the department and agencies of the State of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all.

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

**BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury that April, 2003 be and hereby is proclaimed as "**FAIR HOUSING MONTH**" within Ouachita Parish, and call upon all citizens of this community to abide by the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law, and to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

The above Proclamation adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2003.

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The following applications for Beer and Whiskey licenses had been received, to-wit:

1) **MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY  
ASSOCIATION AND  
NORTHEAST LOUISIANA  
MOTORCYCLIST FOR KIDS, INC.**

**SPECIAL EVENT-2003 POKER RUN**  
Cheniere Park Area 8, June 12, 13 and 14

2) **KANG, HARDIAL SINGH**

**DBA A-K BROTHERS, INC. DBA  
SUPERMART**, 8635 Highway 165 North, Monroe,  
Louisiana 71203 (1410 Frenchmans Bend Road,  
Monroe, Louisiana 71203), Ward 2, Class "B"  
Beer, Class "D" Whiskey, **NEW**.

Motion was offered by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Mr. Hargrove to approve the applications submitted as recommended by the Parish Attorney.

Motion adopted.

Mr. Tom Janway spoke regarding the Northern Exposure trip scheduled for May 6, 2003, the Rowland Road Project, the Bayou Oaks Project, and the Finks Hideaway and Rowland Road Project.

Mr. John Tom Murray spoke regarding a meeting held to discuss updating the subdivision ordinance.

Mr. Don Harrison spoke regarding the Huntington Park Road Project.

The President opened the meeting for public participation.

Mr. Steve Wells, Ms. Rena Stansbury, and Ms. Doris Westbrook spoke.

There being no further business to come before this meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Sherry White  
Recording Secretary.  
Ouachita Parish Police Jury

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Daryll Berry  
P R E S I D E N T.  
Ouachita Parish Police Jury