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PAROCHIAL LAWMAKERS IN SESSION.

Regular Bimonthly Meeting of Police Jury—Budget Adopted and Tax of Nine and One-Quarter Mills Levied—Offer of Calcaisou Trust & Savings Bank to Purchase First Road District Bonds Accepted.

Donaldsonville, La., July 8, 1914. The police jury of the parish of Ascension met this day at the court-house, in regular session, and was called to order at 11 o'clock a. m. Present—Adolphe Netter, president; third ward; Karl G. Spahr, first ward; J. M. Orsuo, Jr., second ward; C. H. Landry, fourth ward; L. W. Armitage, fifth ward; Leon Newman, sixth ward; C. N. Gautreau, seventh ward. Absent—Z. J. Causey, eighth ward.

The minutes of the last preceding meeting, as well as all recent special meetings, were read.

Mr. Gautreau moved that the minutes of the special meeting of June 17, 1914, relative to the appropriation of \$500 to the South Louisiana Fair Association, be amended to read as follows:

"Mr. Orsuo offered the following resolution:

"Be it resolved, that the police jury of the parish of Ascension does hereby pledge and assure to the South Louisiana Fair Association an appropriation for the fiscal year 1914-1915 of the sum of five hundred dollars.

"The resolution was seconded by Mr. Newman, and roll-call resulted in the following vote: Yeas—Netter, Orsuo, Armitage, Newman; nays—Spahr, Gautreau, Causey; absent—Landry. The resolution carried.

"A further discussion of the matter then ensued, whereupon Mr. Newman changed his vote from yea to nay, and moved that the vote by which this resolution was lost be reconsidered. The motion was adopted, and Mr. Newman then offered the following resolution:

"Be it resolved, that the police jury of the parish of Ascension do hereby pledge and assure to the South Louisiana Fair Association an appropriation for the fiscal year 1914-1915 of the sum of five hundred dollars.

"The resolution was seconded by Mr. Orsuo, and on roll-call adopted by the following vote: Yeas—Netter, Spahr, Orsuo, Armitage, Newman, Causey; nays—Gautreau, Landry; absent—Landry. The resolution carried.

"The minutes, being thus amended, Mr. Gautreau moved that the minutes of said meeting, and other special meetings, be approved and signed, which motion was adopted.

The following petition and communication were read:

Gonzales, La., May 25, 1914. The Honorable Police Jury of the Parish of Ascension, Donaldsonville, La.

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned resident taxpayers within the boundaries of the New River Drainage District, do hereby petition your honorable body to appoint M. G. Sevario, of Aco, to be a member on the board of commissioners of the said New River Drainage District, vice C. D. Gondran, deceased.

Respectfully submitted,

	Acres	Assmt.
Frank LeBlanc	17.13	\$ 250
J. T. Gautreau	28.	180
Arthur Lanoux	49.	310
V. A. Gautreau	62.63	350
Felix J. Lambert	12.67	90
Alces Poche	280	
Armond Mire	148.12	970
Mandes Boudreau	129.72	1390
Rosemond V. Gautreau	52.	370
E. D. Smith	100.81	870
J. D. Elliser	36.	200
A. J. Picard	163.06	1080
Eugene Gautreau	54.	350
Sam LeBlanc	22.38	180
Melior Elliser	64.41	470
P. P. Painter, Sr.	247.31	1450
Joel LeBlanc	63.68	600
Alexis R. Landry	270	
P. P. Painter, Jr.	40.	270
C. S. McFarland	40.	270
Joseph Lanoux	67.54	450
Simon Landry	24.	150
Christophe Braud	20.	160
Joseph Blaudon	28.	220
Alces Braud	30.	230
Edmond Blaudon	19.	170
Alce Lanoux	25.	210
Morris Lanoux	15.	100
Bills L. Lanoux	28.	210
Jon. Bayham	20.	190

Donaldsonville, La., July 8, 1914.

I, A. A. Kling, do certify that the assessed valuation opposite each name in the foregoing petition is correct as compared with the assessment roll of 1913. A. A. KLING, Assessor, Parish of Ascension.

Parish of Ascension, July 8, 1914. To the President and Members of the Police Jury of the Parish of Ascension:

We, the undersigned partnership of Galey & Clark, composed of Burt Clark and A. J. Galey, domiciled and doing business in the parish of Rapides, Louisiana, and assignees of the road contract entered into by and between the police jury of the parish of Ascension and F. F. Rogers, do hereby agree to and consent that the police jury of said parish of Ascension sell the bond issue of the First Road District of this parish amounting to the sum of \$35,000, bearing interest at the rate of five per cent per annum and dated June 1, 1914, to the Calcaisou Trust and Savings Bank of Lake Charles, Louisiana, at par with accrued interests.

Respectfully submitted,

GALEY & CLARK,
BURT CLARK,
A. J. GALEY.

The election of clerk of the police jury and parish treasurer being declared in order, Mr. Gautreau moved that Caleb C. Weber, the incumbent, be re-elected for another term of two years. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Orsuo and Mr. Newman. No other names being presented, the

nomination were closed and roll called ordered on Mr. Gautreau's motion, resulting as follows: For Mr. Weber: Spahr, Orsuo, Netter, Landry, Newman, Gautreau, 6; nays—; voting blank—Armitage, 1; absent—Causey. Mr. Weber having received a majority of the votes of the police jury, was declared by President Netter to be elected clerk of the police jury and parish treasurer of the parish of Ascension for a term of two years.

Mr. Weber thanked the jury for their endorsement of his administration of the office, and pledged himself to render the parish during the incumbency of his office his very best services.

Mr. Gautreau offered the following ordinance, which was read:

An ordinance amending paragraphs six, seven, eight and nine of section 3 of the road ordinance of the parish of Ascension, adopted July 9, 1913, entitled, "An ordinance to provide for the maintenance, repair and drainage of the public roads of the parish of Ascension, creation of road districts, and to levy, collect and enforce payment of the per capita and license taxes for said purposes."

Sec. 1. Be it ordained by the police jury of the parish of Ascension, state of Louisiana, that paragraphs six, seven, eight and nine of section 3 of the road ordinance adopted July 9, 1913, be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

That the police jury shall, in order to get a correct and full list of all vehicles liable to such license and ascertain all persons liable to the per capita tax imposed by this ordinance, employ a competent person to each police jury ward, which appointment of said person shall be made by the member of the police jury for the ward in which the same is made, whose duty it shall be to make a complete list and enumeration of all vehicles and persons in their respective districts subject to said annual license and per capita tax. That the said lists and enumeration shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the police jury on or before the first day of September, 1913, and each and every year thereafter, at the same time, and the said enumerator so appointed shall be ex-officio collector of the said license and vehicle taxes, and shall collect as fast as possible from each owner or owners of vehicles used on the public roads of this parish, and all persons subject to a per capita tax, the annual license and per capita tax herein levied and imposed; that the said enumerators and collectors shall render to the police jury a statement of all vehicle and per capita taxes collected not less than once each month; that the said collector shall settle said annual license and per capita tax with the parish treasurer not less than once each month, except the collectors of the seventh and eighth wards, who shall make their statements and settlements direct with the proper officers of the third and fourth district road boards.

Sec. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., that all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. Gautreau, seconded by Mr. Spahr, the ordinance was adopted by the following vote: Yeas—Spahr, Orsuo, Netter, Landry, Armitage, Newman, Gautreau; nays—; absent—Causey.

Mr. Causey, member of the jury, now entered the room and requested that he be recorded as present.

Mr. Orsuo offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved, that the ordinance of this police jury adopted at a special meeting of June 17, 1914, creating a syndic in the fifth ward of the parish and designating the stable quarters at the Riverton plantation as the syndic quarters and A. Hime as syndic therefor, be and the same is hereby repealed.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Landry, and on roll-call adopted by the following vote: Yeas—Spahr, Orsuo, Netter, Landry, Newman, Gautreau, Causey; nays—Armitage.

Sheriff E. C. Hanson having submitted to the police jury the following statement of taxes for the year 1913:

Deduction List on Parish Taxes of 1913	
Errors and omissions in property	\$ 36.25
Found	20.36
Double assessments	20.36
Taxes on property sold to state	90.92
continued on roll: Year 1913, \$35,000	
24; year 1912, \$55,835.	
Total credits	\$ 147.54
Taxes in litigation	93
Total deductions	\$ 148.47
Taxes collected and paid into parish treasury, less com.	37,292.99
Total	\$37,292.99
Amount charged on tax roll	\$37,335.30
Am't. supplemented on tax roll	\$ 43.21
Overpaid into parish treasury	\$ 43.21
Total	\$37,335.30

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct list of parish taxes due and collected on the tax roll of 1913; that the amounts assessed and collected on said tax year are correct, and that I have exhausted all legal remedies required by the laws of the state to collect the same. E. C. HANSON, Sheriff of Parish of Ascension.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of July, 1914. Deputy Clerk of Court.

Mr. Newman offered the following

resolution:

Sec. 1. Be it ordained by the po-

lice jury of the parish of Ascension,

that for the year 1914 there is hereby

levied a tax amounting in the aggregate

to nine and one-quarter

(9 1/4) mills on the dollar on the as-

essed valuation of all property, mov-

able and immovable, within the parish

of Ascension, except such as is ex-

empted from taxation by the consti-

tution of this state, as per the as-

essor's rolls for the year 1914, de-

posited in the recorder's office of

the parish of Ascension.

Sec. 2. Be it further ordained,

etc., that the sums contained and in-

cluded in the budget of expenditures

adopted at a meeting of the police

jury held this day, or as much there-

of as may be necessary, be and the

same are hereby appropriated out of

the moneys in the parish treasury

derived from the annual tax provid-

ed by the first section of this ordinance for the purposes stated in said budget for the fiscal year 1914-1915, as per estimate exhibiting the various items of expenditure of the parish, which was published in the Donaldsonville Chief, the official journal of the parish, fully thirty days prior to the meeting of July 8, 1914, at which meeting said budget was amended, approved, ratified and adopted.

Mr. Landry moved that the ordi-

nance be amended, which motion was

seconded by Mr. Newman, and on

roll-call adopted by the following

vote: Yeas—Spahr, Orsuo, Netter,

Landry, Armitage, Newman, Gau-

treau, Causey; nays—.

The following ordinance was read:

Whereas, the parish of Ascension

is indebted in the sum of \$16,000 for

the unpaid balance due by it for past

years; and whereas, it is impossible

for it to pay its indebtedness out of

the revenues for the year 1914; and

whereas, in order to meet its said

obligation, it has to fund said in-

debtedness out of the excess reve-

nuces above all statutory charges for

the years 1914, 1915, 1916 and 1917,

and issue certificates of indebtedness

in denominations of \$1000 each;

therefore

Be it ordained by the police jury

of the parish of Ascension, that in

order to meet its indebtedness for

past years, it has taken advantage of

the provisions of Act No. 32 of the

general assembly of the state of Loui-

siana for the year 1902, to fund said

indebtedness of \$16,000 out of the ex-

cess revenues for the years 1914,

1916, and 1917, above all stat-

utory charges for said years, and to

issue certificates of indebtedness

therefor in denominations of \$1000,

four of said certificates being made

payable annually on or before Feb-

ruary 10, 1915, 1916, 1917, and 1918,

and bearing interest at the rate of

five per cent per annum, payable an-

nually. Said certificates to be is-

signed by the president of the police

jury and countersigned by the sec-

retary thereof.

Be it further ordained, etc., that

one mill on the dollar or as much

thereof as is necessary to meet the

payment of the certificates and the

interest due annually, be and is

hereby set aside and levied for the

years 1914, 1915, 1916 and 1917, out

of the general parish tax levied for

said years.

Be it further ordained, etc., that

the police jury shall budget said

sums annually for said years, and

to meet the payment of said certifi-

cates and the interest thereon.

Mr. Newman moved that the ordi-

nance be adopted, which motion was

seconded by Mr. Landry, and on

roll-call adopted by the following

vote: Yeas—Spahr, Orsuo, Netter,

Landry, Armitage, Newman, Gau-

treau, Causey; nays—.

Mr. Newman offered the following

resolution:

Be it resolved, that the sum of

\$1500 be and the same is hereby ap-

propriated to the school board of the

Parish of Ascension, the same to be

advanced at the present time to said

school board and to be charged to the

public school appropriation for this

fiscal year of 1914-1915.

The resolution was seconded by

Mr. Causey, and on roll-call adopted

by a vote of 8 yeas and no nays.

Mr. Landry offered the following

resolution:

Whereas, Messrs. Galey & Clark,

a partnership composed of A. J. Ga-

ley and Burt Clark, domiciled and

doing business in the parish of

Rapides, state of Louisiana, contrac-

tors, and assignees of the contract

entered into by and between the po-

lice jury of the parish of Ascension

and Frederick F. Rogers, for the con-

struction of a road, to wit, the

road known as the First Road Dis-

trict of the parish of Ascension, and

by virtue of which contract the said

contractors were to be paid for said

work in bonds of the First Road Dis-

trict of the parish of Ascension, a

series of \$35,000, said bonds being

dated June 1, 1914, and bearing in-

terest at the rate of five per cent

per annum, payable semi-annually,

and which bonds run serially for a

period of twenty years, maturing as

follows:

Nos. 1 and 2.....June 1, 1915

Nos. 3 and 4.....June 1, 1916

Nos. 5 and 6.....June 1, 1917

Nos. 7 to 9.....June 1, 1918

Nos. 10 to 12.....June 1, 1919

Nos. 13 to 15.....June 1, 1920

Nos. 16 to 18.....June 1, 1921

Nos. 19 to 21.....June 1, 1922

Nos. 22 to 24.....June 1, 1923

Nos. 25 to 27.....June 1, 1924

Nos. 28 to 30.....June 1, 1925

Nos. 31 to 34.....June 1, 1926

Nos. 35 to 38.....June 1, 1927

Nos. 39 to 42.....June 1, 1928

Nos. 43 to 46.....June 1, 1929

Nos. 47 to 50.....June 1, 1930

Nos. 51 to 55.....June 1, 1931

Nos. 56 to 60.....June 1, 1932

Nos. 61 to 65.....June 1, 1933

Nos. 66 to 70.....June 1, 1934

and also in denominations of five

hundred (\$500) dollars, each of

which shall be payable at the time

herein consented to by the police

jury of the parish of Ascension, and

by the Calcaisou Trust & Savings

Bank of Lake Charles, La., for cash at par

and accrued interest.

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posited in the recorder's office of

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