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Police Jury Proceedings.

On Monday the 11th day of July A. D., 1881, the Police Jury of said Parish met pursuant to a adjournment.

Were present: Howard Hoffmann, Esq., and the following named members, viz: Messrs. J. T. Broussard, D. Nunez, Severien Primeaux, Jos. Trahan and Louis Thibaux. Absent: A. Vanslyke.

Minutes of last two previous meetings were read and adopted.

Art. 1st Resolved, that a parish tax of thirteen and one-half mills on the dollar (including the three and one-half mills special tax) be and the same is hereby assessed and levied on the estimated value of all the taxable property, real and personal, subject to taxation on the assessment rolls for the year 1881—said taxes to be assessed, levied and collected according to the budget estimates of the probable expenditures of said parish for the year 1881, and duly published in the official journal according to law.

Mr. Athase Meaux presented a petition of a large number of the citizens of said parish praying for a change in the 11th Road District; it was read and duly considered.

On motion of Mr. Broussard, Art. 2d Resolved, that the 11th Road District be and the same is hereby changed in the following particulars, viz: That where said road reaches the lands belonging to Athase Meaux on the NE corner thereof, it shall run parallel with the dividing line between said Meaux and Baptiste Faulk seven arpents; following the wester line until it strikes the northwest corner of said Meaux's land and there to deflect and run seven arpents, more or less, towards the east until it intersects the main road again; said Meaux to furnish the required width for said road on his land, and provided the Parish incur to expense no consequence of said change.

The following named outgoing Road Overseers made written reports of their doings during their term of office, and the same were ordered to be filed.

J. Henry Puitan, 1st road district.

Demosthene Trahan, 5th " "

James Pickett, 13th " "

Art. 3d Resolved, that the following named persons be and they are hereby appointed Road Overseers for the year ending on the first Monday in July, 1882, viz:

For 1st road district Wm. Vanslyke.

" 2d " " Lastie Dubois.

" 3d " " Dupre Leblanc.

" 4th " " Alcee Leblanc.

" 5th " " D. Isa. Frederic.

" 6th " " Sarrasin Hebert.

" 7th " " M. L. Mouton.

" 8th " " P. I. Mouton.

" 9th " " Maurice Villian.

" 10th " " Frank L. Wall.

" 11th " " Lessin Abshire.

" 12th " " Hampton Morgan.

" 13th " " J. L. Pickett.

Art. 4th Resolved, that Messrs. D. Nunez, Louis Thibaux, Norbert Bourque and Jos. W. Harrington, be, and they are hereby appointed a special committee to carefully examine the Coulee Kinney Bridge, for the purpose of ascertaining the quantity of lumber needed to repair said bridge and to purchase the same at as reasonable rates as possible.

Art. 5th Resolved further, that Marcus L. Morton, Road Overseer of the 7th Road District, shall cause all repairs necessary to be made to said bridge by all persons subject to road duty in his jurisdiction.

Lastie Broussard Esq., clerk of court, was authorized to purchase at the expense of the parish, the following records for the use of his office, viz:

1 Record or Notarial acts.

1 " " Successions.

1 " " Index to Sheriff's sales.

The commissioners of unraided stock appointed for the past year, were continued in office for the present year.

On motion of Mr. Broussard,

Art. 6th Resolved, that the committee on the Court House repairs, be authorized and shall have power to contract for the painting of the Court House and Court room and to pay for same out of a special fund appropriated for that purpose.

Art. 7th Resolved further that said committee are hereby authorized to purchase paint and other materials necessary in order to complete the Court room and putting the same in good and neat condition; after the amount already appropriated shall be exhausted they shall certify and approve the account or accounts for such materials they may procure for that purpose—provided said account or purchase does not exceed eighty dollars—such account so approved shall be presented to this body for further approval.

The following claims against the parish were allowed to be paid out of their respective funds of appropriations:

Criminal funds of 1881:

Geo. E. Lyons, Jailer, \$109.50

Joseph L. maire 87 1/2

Joseph Broussard, 1.00

D. Isaac Drouen, 8.70

G. B. Shaw, 2 claims, 14.75

Lastie Broussard, 25.70

Hermogene Fustelier, 3.50

Opulhas Bourque, assignee of J. P. Mouton, 10.50

J. S. Cartright, 9.00

Chas. Schneider, 8.25

Alex. Broussard, assignee of Aurelien Broussard, 2.12 1/2

Placide Mouton, 1.75

Kobert Meaux, 2 claims, 2.12 1/2

Albert Mouton, 2 claims, 3.50

Wm Meaux, 2.12 1/2

Lastie Broussard assignee, 5.00

Athase Meaux, 1.12 1/2

Out of same funds of 1880:

Epperson Foreman, 1.43 1/2

Out of Bridgerepairing funds 1880

J. H. Putnam rd overseer 10.50

James L. Pickett, 1.00

Geo. E. Lyons, 15.00

Out of same funds of 1881:

Solomon Wise, 20.88

Out of Magistrate's &c fund, 1881

W. D. White, M. D. 5.00

E. Lix Laurents, 5.00

W. B. White, 20.45

Out of District Attorney funds 1881

Solomon Wise, assignee, 50.00

Police Jury funds, 1881:

Isaac Wise 25.00

Ambrise Lacour 31.25

H. B. Lyons 12.50

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On motion of Mr. Broussard the Jury adjourn sine die.

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School Board.

Abbeville July 2nd 1881.

The School Board met this day in regular session; members present A. D. Martin, N. Perry J. Nugier, J. Morgan, J. H. Putnam and J. N. Williams. Absent A. Lacour.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

On motion, it was resolved that the secretary be authorized to draw warrant in favor of Miss White, for the month ending May 20th 1881.

On motion it was resolved that a standing Finance Committee be appointed to make quarterly settlements with the Treasurer said committee was composed of the following named persons: J. H. Putnam, J. Nugier and J. N. Williams, said committee was also authorized to examine all contracts or leases of parties located on or holding school lands and take such steps as will secure the payment of all rents due on the same.

On motion it was resolved that a school be located at Spring Hill.

On motion it was resolved that Nathan Perry be authorized to remove the Spring Hill Colored school House to Cow Island and locate the same on land donated by said N. Perry.

On motion the Board adjourned to meet on the second Saturday of August at 10 o'clock A. M.

School will be opened 1st September 1881.

A. D. MARTIN, President.

J. N. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

25TH DISTRICT COURT,

PARISH OF VERMILION,

N. O. 589.

Succession of P. O. Broussard.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested in the said succession, of having any opposition to make to the additional abatement of debts and charges and of distribution of said succession, to file the same in writing in the office of the Clerk of Court within ten days from date hereof.

Given under my hand and seal of court, this 11th day of June 1881.

LASTIE BROUSSARD, Clerk.

Tax Collector's Notice.

Persons owing Licenses—State and Parish—for the year 1881, and also back taxes are hereby notified to come immediately at my office near the court house and settle the same.

G. B. SHAW,

Sheriff & Tax Collector.

May 14th 1881.

Guitean belonged to Beecher's church.

The man with a scolding wife is over-rated.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Lastie Dubois, Hebert Thibodeaux, Francois Guiry and Charles Frederick, of Vermilion, Louisiana.

GEO. BALDET, Register.

July 23-'81.

State of Louisiana,—25th District Court—Parish of Vermilion—No. 566.

Succession of Cesaire Derouen.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested in the said succession, or having any opposition to make to the tableau of classification of debts and charges and of final settlement of said succession, to file the same in writing in the office of the Clerk of Court within ten days from date hereof.

Given under my hand seal of court, this 6th day of August 1881.

LASTIE BROUSSARD, Clerk.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that the assessment lists are deposited in Clerk's office and all persons are requested to come forward during the month of August and make corrections if they deem proper.

Abbeville, July 30th 1881.

D. M. LYONS, Assessor.