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Official Proceedings of the Police Jury of Grant Parish.

Colfax, La., Aug. 11, 1916.

The police jury met pursuant to adjournment. All the members were present. The minutes of the proceedings of July 5 were read and approved. And the minutes of July 25 were also read and approved.

A letter was read from Mrs. Mollie M. Christie, in which she stated her reasons for objecting to the proposed public road leading from the Colfax-Montgomery model road at spur number two to the Lemoine ferry on Red river. Mr. Lemoine was present and addressed the police jury favoring the establishment of the road. In the course of the discussion it was stated that Mr. C. O. Sharp was in favor of making an outlet to the river, but that he was opposed to the establishment of a public road there. Mr. Calhoun reported that he went to the place where it is desired to locate the proposed road. He found the lands there fenced and no passage way there for teams or wagons.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved by the police jury of Grant parish, That in order to provide a wagon way from the Colfax-Montgomery model road at or near spur number two, to the Red river at Lemoine's ferry, in direction and place about the same as the direction and place of the boundary line between the land of Mrs. Mollie M. Christie and that of Mr. C. O. Sharp, it is the order of the police jury that the owners of the land mentioned, namely Mrs. Christie and Mr. Sharp, shall construct or cause to be constructed two gates, one on the river side and the other on the back side of the lands (which are fenced and enclosed), each gate to be located at or near the boundary line mentioned and opening to a wagon way upon and across the said land on or near said boundary line, the said gates to be of dimensions suitable for the passage of wagons and teams and kept in such condition as to be conveniently opened and closed at all times.

The hour of noon having arrived the police jury ordered a recess until one o'clock p. m., at which time the following process verbal of the election in ward number four, held August 9, 1916, was prepared, read and signed:

PROCESS VERBAL.

Be it known and remembered that on this the 11th day of August, 1916, at 12 o'clock m., in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of Grant parish, adopted July 3, 1916, notice of which was issued and published according to law, the undersigned members of the police jury of Grant parish, being a quorum thereof met in public session at the court house in said parish, and according to law opened all the ballot boxes used in and which were received from the commissioners of the election held on the 9th day of August, 1916, in accordance with said ordinance, and there proceeded to count the ballots both in number and amount for and against, to determine the proposition to levy a five mills tax on all the property in ward number four of Grant parish, for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, for the purpose of building and maintaining public roads in said ward number four of said parish.

The result of said count was 44 ballots and twelve thousand seven hundred and forty-four dollars (\$12,744.00) in favor of the said

proposition, and 14 ballots and six thousand four hundred and fifty-four dollars (\$6,454.00) against said proposition; and the majority both in number and amount cast by the property tax payers of said ward number four in the said election being in favor thereof; and at the same time and place we did examine and canvass the returns as evidenced by the duplicate tally sheets and duplicate compiled statements, the correctness of both being sworn to by the commissioners according to law, and finding also that said returns indicated a majority both in number and amount of property in favor of said proposition;

Therefore we declared that the result of said election is in favor of the proposition to levy a five mills tax on all the property in ward number four of Grant parish for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, for the purpose of building and maintaining public roads in said ward number four of said parish.

And in accordance with law, a promulgation of the aforesaid result was prepared and the secretary of the police jury was ordered to have a copy of the same signed by the president and published in one issue of the official journal.

And likewise we did order that one copy of this process verbal be sent to the Secretary of State to be recorded in the archives of the State of Louisiana, that one copy be sent to the recorder of mortgages to be recorded in the mortgage records and that one copy be kept in the records of the police jury.

This done and signed in the presence of V. P. TULLOS and R. W. WAGNER, competent witnesses and electors, on this the 11th day of August, 1916, at the court house at Colfax, in the parish of Grant, by the undersigned members of the police jury of said parish, present and participating in the canvass of the said election.

W. A. BROWNLEE,
W. R. BUFFINGTON,
C. W. CALHOUN,
G. C. PURVIS,
O. C. WATSON,
J. M. JONES,
J. J. DEWITT.

Attest:

V. P. TULLOS,
R. W. WAGNER.

On motion the following ordinance was adopted:

ORDINANCE OF PROMULGATION.

Whereas on the 9th day of August, 1916, an election was held in ward number four of Grant parish to determine the proposition to levy a five mills tax on all the property in said ward number four for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, for the purpose of building and maintaining public roads in said ward number four, and

Whereas said election was held and the returns thereof were canvassed by the police jury according to law and the notice given on the 3rd day of July, 1916, and the result of said election was declared to be that the majority in number and amount of the tax payers of the said ward voted in favor of said proposition; now, therefore,

Section One—

Be it ordained by the police jury of the parish of Grant, La., in lawful session convened, That the proposition to levy a five mills tax on all the property in ward number four of Grant parish for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending

with the year 1920, for the purpose of building and maintaining public roads in said ward number four carried, and said tax as proposed is authorized and required by law to be levied, assessed and collected on all the property of said ward number four of Grant parish.

Section Two—

Be it further ordained, That the result of said election shall be promulgated by the president and secretary of the police jury by publication in one issue of the official journal, said notice of promulgation to be signed by the president and the secretary.

On motion the following ordinance was adopted:

ORDINANCE LEVYING FIVE MILLS TAX IN WARD FOUR.

Whereas an election was held in ward number four of Grant parish on the 9th day of August, 1916, in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury enacted on the 3rd day of July, 1916, and notice of the same published according to law, and

Whereas the question submitted at said election was to determine the proposition to levy a five mills tax on all the property in said ward number four of said parish for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, for the purpose of building and maintaining public roads in said ward number four, which said proposition was lawfully carried at said election, as shown by the process verbal of the police jury of this date of the canvass of the returns, and

Whereas the result of said election has been duly promulgated on the said date as required by law and section 19 of act 256 of 1910, and no contest of said election has been filed, and

Whereas the police jury of said parish is recognized by law and Articles 281 and 292 of the Constitution of 1913 and Act 256 of the session of the Legislature of 1910 and amendments to be the governing authority through whom such tax shall be levied on the property of said ward number four in said parish; now, therefore,

Section One—

Be it ordained by the police jury of Grant parish in lawful session convened, That a five mills tax on all the property in ward number four of said parish of Grant, for a period of five years; beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, for the purpose of building and maintaining public roads in said ward number four, be and the same is hereby levied and the same shall be annually extended on the assessment rolls of said parish in the same manner that other taxes are extended, and collected by the tax collector in the same manner that other taxes are collected;

Section Two—

Be it further ordained, That the proceeds of said tax, when collected, shall be deposited in the parish treasury and there shall be and remain a trust fund to be used for the purpose only that the same was levied and collected for, to-wit: For the purpose of building and maintaining public roads in said ward number four of said parish of Grant.

Dr. Buffington reported on his work on the Colfax-Rochelle highway, and it was ordered that he be paid the sum of \$165.00 out of the general fund for the benefit of road district number five.

On motion Dr. Buffington was authorized to continue his work on the Colfax-Rochelle highway until September 1.

It was ordered that Mr. W. A. Brownlee, president of the police jury, be authorized to take charge of the motor truck and have such use made of the same as may be to the best advantage in his judgment.

On motion the resolution which was adopted July 3, 1916, authorizing and instructing the farm demonstrator to report to the grand jury information of violations of the laws for preventing the spread of diseases among domestic cattle, was rescinded.

The committee of six freeholders appointed to review and locate a public road extending from Sandy Creek a distance of two miles east and intersecting the Alexandria-Harrisonburg road near Fishville, made a report. On motion the report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The police jury of the parish of LaSalle having established the rate of ferriage to be charged and collected at Thompson's ferry on Little river (a line ferry), as follows:

	Reg.	To Plank Landing
Footmen, each.....	10c	25
Man and horse.....	25c	65
Automobile, wagon or horse.....	50c	1 65
Loose stock, each.....	05c	10

Party or parties running said ferry to add fifty per cent to the rates herein fixed when required to run their boats at night.

It was ordered that the above mentioned rates, established by the police jury of LaSalle parish, be also fixed and established by the police jury of Grant parish.

On motion the police jury adjourned to meet on Thursday, Aug. 31, 1916, at 11:15 a. m.

W. A. BROWNLEE,

President.

MISS H. E. CAMERON,
Clerk.

Official Proceedings of the Grant Parish School Board.

Colfax, La., July 22, 1916.

Pursuant to adjournment on July 8, 1916, the board of school directors of the parish of Grant, La., met in legal session to consider the question of financing the schools of the parish.

The board was called to order by the president with J. H. McNeely, E. A. Wall, T. C. Lincecum, N. S. Roberts and M. E. Jackson present; A. W. Stewart and J. J. Rhinehart absent.

A quorum being present the board proceeded to transact the following business:

The following ordinance was introduced, and being duly seconded, it was unanimously adopted to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE

To group districts 13, 14 and 15, all situated in Grant Parish, La., and to distribute all funds derived from special school tax elections in said grouped districts according to the original territorial subdivisions heretofore existing, in accordance with the assessment of said district.

Be it ordained by the Parish Board of School Directors of Parish of Grant, La., in legal session convened:

Section One. That school districts Nos. 13, 14 and 15 all situated in Grant Parish, La., be and they are hereby grouped into one district to be known as school district 13-14-15.

Section Two. Be it ordained, etc. That all funds derived from special school tax elections which may hereafter be held and ordered in said grouped district shall be apportioned therein according to the assessments of the original territorial subdivisions to such original subdivision for use in the original subdivision.

Section Three. Be it further ordained, etc. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances contrary to or in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, and that this ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.

Unanimously adopted this July 22, 1916.

The following resolution was offered by E. A. Wall and seconded by N. S. Roberts, who moved its adoption.

Whereas, there has been a request made by the property tax payers of school districts Nos. 13, 14 and 15, constituting grouped district 13-14-15, to levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property in school district No. 13-14-15, Grant Parish, La., subject to state taxation, annually, for a period of five years for general educational purposes.

And, whereas, in the opinion of this board such special election is necessary and advisable.

Be it resolved by the Parish Board of School Directors of the Parish of Grant, La., as follows:

Section One. That a special election be held in school district No. 13-14-15, Grant Parish, La., on

tion mentioned in section one of this resolution, and in the following form:

PROPOSITION
Proposition to levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property subject to state taxation in school district No. 13-14-15, Grant Parish, La., for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, both years inclusive, for general educational purposes.

Taxable valuation.....

Signature of voter.....

NOTICE TO VOTERS

To vote in favor of the proposition on this ballot place a (X) mark in the square after the word "Yes", and to vote against it place a similar mark in the square after the word "No".

And the Secretary of this board be and he is hereby instructed to have prepared for use at said special election all the necessary ballot boxes, tally sheets, lists of voters, assessed valuation of property, and compiled statement of voters in number and amount.

Section Three. That the polling place for the said special election shall be at Fish Creek old school house and M. H. Nugent, W. J. Hamby, J. C. and George Ober are appointed commissioners and J. L. Kent clerk of election to serve thereat.

The said election shall be conducted under the laws of the state applicable thereto.

Section Four. The President of this board is hereby instructed to give notice of the special election herein ordered, by his proclamation to be published according to law; and in the said proclamation he shall announce that at eleven o'clock a. m. on September 6, 1916, this board will meet at the court house at Colfax, Grant Parish, La., and in open session proceed to open the ballot box, examine and count the ballots in number and amount, examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the election.

The above resolution was adopted unanimously, all the members of the board herebefore named voting in favor thereof.

J. H. McNEELY,
President.

J. N. WARNER,
Secretary.

The following resolution was offered by M. E. Jackson and seconded by N. S. Roberts, who moved its adoption:

Whereas, there has been filed with this board a written request by the taxpayers of Clear Creek District No. 5, for a special election, asking that a special election be ordered in and for said district, at which shall be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION
To levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property in School District No. 5, Grant Parish, La., subject to state taxation, annually, for a period of five years, for the purpose of building and equipping school houses in said district.

And, whereas, in the opinion of this board such special election is necessary and advisable.

Be it ordained by the Parish Board of School Directors of Grant Parish, La., in legal session convened:

Section One. That a special election be and the same is hereby ordered to be held in School District No. 5, Grant Parish, La., on

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1916, at which shall be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

To levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property in School District No. 5, Grant Parish, La., subject to state taxation, annually, for a period of five years, for the purpose of building and equipping school houses in said district.

Section Two. That the Secretary be and he is hereby instructed to have prepared for use at said special election a sufficient number of ballots, on each of which shall be printed the proposition mentioned in section one of this resolution, and in the following form:

PROPOSITION
Proposition to levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property subject to state taxation in Clear Creek School District No. 5, Grant Parish, La., for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, both years inclusive, for the purpose of building and equipping school houses in said district.

Taxable valuation.....

Signature of voter.....

NOTICE TO VOTERS

To vote in favor of the proposition submitted on this ballot place a (X) mark in the square after the word "Yes", and to vote against it place a similar mark in the square after the word "No".

And the Secretary of this board be and he is hereby instructed to have prepared for use at said special election all the necessary ballot boxes, tally sheets, lists of voters, assessed valuation of property, and compiled statement of voters in number and amount.

Section Three. That the polling place for the said special election shall be at Antioch Church in said district No. 5, and L. A. Paul, E. T. Nugent and I. H. Squires are appointed commissioners, and R. O. Nugent clerk of election to serve thereat.

The said election shall be conducted under the laws of the state applicable thereto.

Section Four. The President of this board is hereby instructed to give notice of the special election herein ordered, by his proclamation to be published according to law; and in the said proclamation he shall announce that at eleven o'clock a. m. on September 6, 1916, this board will meet at the court house at Colfax, Grant Parish, La., and in open session proceed to open the ballot box, examine and count the ballots in number and amount, examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the election.

The above resolution was adopted unanimously, all the members of the board herebefore named voting in favor thereof.

J. H. McNEELY,
President.

J. N. WARNER,
Secretary.

The following ordinance was introduced, and being duly seconded, it was unanimously adopted to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE
To group Districts 8, 10 and 30, all situated in Grant Parish, La., and to distribute all funds derived from special school tax elections in said grouped districts according to the original territorial subdivisions heretofore existing, in accordance with the assessment of said district.

Be it ordained by the Parish Board of School Directors of Parish of Grant, La., in legal session convened:

Section One. That school districts Nos. 8, 10 and 30, all situated in Grant Parish, La., be and they are hereby grouped into one district to be known as School District 8-10-30.

Section Two. Be it ordained, etc. That all funds derived from special school tax elections which may hereafter be held and ordered in the said grouped district shall be apportioned therein according to the assessments of the original territorial subdivisions to such original subdivision for use in the original subdivision.

Section Three. Be it further ordained, etc. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances contrary to or in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, and that this ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.

Unanimously adopted this July 22, 1916.

The following resolution was offered by T. C. Lincecum and seconded by E. A. Wall, who moved its adoption.

Whereas, there has been a request made by the property tax payers of School Districts Nos. 8, 10 and 30, constituting grouped district 8-10-30, eligible to vote at such election, asking that a special election be ordered in and for said district, at which shall be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

To levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property in School District No. 8-10-30, Grant Parish, La., subject to state taxation, annually, for a period of five years for general educational purposes.

And, whereas, in the opinion of this board such special election is necessary and advisable.

Be it resolved by the Parish Board of School Directors of the Parish of Grant, La., as follows:

Section One. That a special election be and the same is hereby ordered to be held in School District No. 8-10-30, Grant Parish, La., on

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1916, at which shall be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

To levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property in School District No. 8-10-30, Grant Parish, La., subject to state taxation, annually, for a period of five years for general educational purposes.

Section Two. That the Secretary of this board be and he is hereby instructed to have prepared for use at said special election a sufficient number of ballots, on each of which shall be printed the proposition mentioned in section one of this resolution, and in the following form:

PROPOSITION
Proposition to levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property subject to state taxation in School District No. 8-10-30, Grant Parish, La., for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, both years inclusive, for general educational purposes.

Taxable valuation.....

Signature of voter.....

NOTICE TO VOTERS

To vote in favor of the proposition submitted on this ballot place a (X) mark in the square after the word "Yes", and to vote against it place a similar mark in the square after the word "No".

And the Secretary of this board be and he is hereby instructed to have prepared for use at said special election all the necessary ballot boxes, tally sheets, lists of voters, assessed valuation of property, and compiled statement of voters in number and amount.

Section Three. That the polling place for the said special election shall be at Sand Spur precinct, and J. B. Maxwell, J. W. Baker and George W. Wagner are appointed commissioners and E. J. Faulkner clerk of election to serve thereat.

The said election shall be conducted under the laws of the state applicable thereto.

Section Four. The President of this board is hereby instructed to give notice of the special election herein ordered, by his proclamation to be published according to law; and in the said proclamation he shall announce that at eleven o'clock a. m. on September 6, 1916, this board will meet at the court house at Colfax, Grant Parish, La., and in open session proceed to open the ballot box, examine and count the ballots in number and amount, examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the election.

The above resolution was adopted unanimously, all members of the board herebefore named voting in favor thereof.

J. H. McNEELY,
President.

J. N. WARNER,
Secretary.

The following ordinance was introduced, and being duly seconded, it was unanimously adopted to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE
To group Districts Nos. 21, 23 and 31, all situated in Grant Parish, La., and to distribute all funds derived from special school tax elections in said grouped districts according to the original territorial subdivisions heretofore existing, in accordance with the assessment of said district.

Be it ordained by the Parish Board of School Directors of the Parish of Grant, La., in legal session convened:

Section One. That school districts Nos. 21, 23 and 31, all situated in Grant Parish, La., be and they are hereby grouped into one district to be known as School District 21-23-31.

Section Two. Be it further ordained, etc. That all funds derived from special school tax elections, which may hereafter be held and ordered in the said grouped district shall be apportioned therein according to the assessments of the original territorial subdivisions to such original subdivision for use in the original subdivision.

Section Three. Be it further ordained, etc. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances contrary to or in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, and that this ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.

Unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was offered by E. A. Wall and seconded by N. S. Roberts who moved its adoption:

Whereas, there has been a request made by the property tax payers of School Districts Nos. 21, 23, and 31, constituting grouped district 21-23-31, eligible to vote at such election, asking that a special election be ordered in and for said district, at which shall be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

To levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property in School District No. 21-23-31, Grant Parish, La., subject to state taxation, annually, for a period of five years for general educational purposes.

And, whereas, in the opinion of this board such special election is necessary and advisable.

Be it resolved by the Parish Board of School Directors of the Parish of Grant, La., as follows:

Section One. That a special election be and the same is hereby ordered to be held in School District No. 21-23-31, Grant Parish, La., on

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1916, at which shall be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

To levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property in School District No. 21-23-31, Grant Parish, La., subject to state taxation, annually, for a period of five years for general educational purposes.

Section Two. That the Secretary of this board be and he is hereby instructed to have prepared for use at said special election a sufficient number of ballots, on each of which shall be printed the proposition mentioned in section one of this resolution, and in the following form:

PROPOSITION
Proposition to levy a special tax of five mills on the dollar on all property subject to state taxation in school district No. 21-23-31, Grant Parish, La., for a period of five years, beginning with the year 1916 and ending with the year 1920, both years inclusive, for general educational purposes.

Taxable valuation.....

Signature of voter.....

NOTICE TO VOTERS

To vote in favor of the proposition submitted on this ballot place a (X) mark in the square after the word "Yes", and to vote against it place a similar mark in the square after the word "No".

And the Secretary of this board be and he is hereby instructed to have prepared for use at said special election all the necessary ballot boxes, tally sheets, lists of voters, assessed valuation of property, and compiled statement of voters in number and amount.

Section Three. That the polling place for the said special election shall be at Sand Spur precinct, and J. B. Maxwell, J. W. Baker and George W. Wagner are appointed commissioners and E. J. Faulkner clerk of election to serve thereat.

The said election shall be conducted under the laws of the state applicable thereto.

Section Four. The President of this board is hereby instructed to give notice of the special election herein ordered, by his proclamation to be published according to law; and in the said proclamation he shall announce that at eleven o'clock a. m. on September 6, 1916, this board will meet at the court house at Colfax, Grant Parish, La., and in open session proceed to open the ballot box, examine and count the ballots in number and amount, examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the election.

The above resolution was adopted unanimously, all members of the board herebefore named voting in favor thereof.

J. H. McNEELY,
President.

J. N. WARNER,
Secretary.

The following ordinance was introduced, and being duly seconded, it was unanimously adopted to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE
To group Districts 12, 14 and 15, all situated in Grant Parish, La., and to distribute all funds derived from special school tax elections in said grouped districts according to the original territorial subdivisions heretofore existing, in accordance with the assessment of said district.

Be it ordained by the Parish Board of School Directors of Parish of Grant, La., in legal session convened:

Section One. That school districts Nos. 12, 14 and 15, all situated in Grant Parish, La., be and they are hereby grouped into one district to be known as School District 12-14-15.

Section Two. Be it ordained, etc. That all funds derived from special school tax elections which may hereafter be held and ordered in the said grouped district shall be apportioned therein according to the assessments of the original territorial subdivisions to such original subdivision for use in the original subdivision.

Section Three. Be it further ordained, etc. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances contrary to or in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, and that this ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.