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OPELOUSAS, - LOUISIANA.

Proceedings of the Police Jury.

Opeolousas, La., Sept. 5, '04.

The police jury met in its regular sessions this day, with the following members present:

Dr. W. F. Clopton, president; Messrs. Guillery, Halphen, Dailey, Guillery, Stelly, Muller, Savant, Deshotel, Vidrine, Fruge, Lafleur, Manuel, Bertrand, Deshotel, and Durio.

Mr. Halphen in the chair. Motion by Mr. Dailey seconded and carried, that petition from citizens of Elm Bayou and Cocodrie praying that Messrs. R. H. Smith & Co. be notified to remove the sawdust dumped into the mouth of Elm Bayou be tabled until next regular meeting.

Motion by Mr. Guillery, seconded and carried, that the report of committee appointed to supervise the work of cleaning out gully running across Henry Comen's place in Plains, and to drain public road, and also the cleaning out of ditch running across the north end of said place, and that of Godfrey Dupres, be received and accepted. Committee discharged, and the sum of thirty-one and 50-100 dollars ordered credited to Mr. Mentor Dupre out of the first ward funds.

Motion by Mr. Lafleur, seconded and carried, that the report of committee appointed to sell contract for building the bridge at Point Oliver's Seventh ward, be received and accepted; committee discharged, and the sum of seventy-two dollars ordered credited to Ernest Thomas out of the Seventh ward internal improvement funds.

Motion by Mr. Lafleur, second and carried, that the report of committee appointed to lay out a public road to connect with the Ville Plate and Washington road, to the Parish of St. Landry, be received and accepted; committee discharged, and the road declared a public one, as described in said report, as follows:

Starting between lands of Orise Lafleur's and Dominick Vidrine's, thence between lands of Sebastian Vidrine's and Samuel Haas, thence crossing lands of Ben Brignac and Samuel Haas, and thence connecting with the Fambough road.

Received from Mr. J. E. Dailey the sum of thirteen and 45-100 dollars from the sale of old lumber in the Second ward, the said amount to be turned over to the parish treasurer.

To the President and Members of the Police Jury:

Gentlemen: We, the undersigned committee appointed to examine statement of the fiscal agent, beg leave to report that we have examined said statement, and found same correct, and recommend that a warrant be issued to the fiscal agent for the sum of one hundred and eighty-one and 89-100 dollars for salary for month of August, 1904.

(Signed) A. J. Muller, J. E. Dailey, Committee.

Motion by Mr. Davis, seconded and carried. The report was accepted and a warrant ordered issued to the fiscal agent as per report.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the police jury adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

Evening Session.

The police jury met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Dr. Clopton, president; Messrs. Guillery, Dailey, Guillery, Stelly, Muller, Savant, Deshotel, Vidrine, Fruge and Manuel.

Motion by Dr. Clopton: Be It Resolved by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Landry, that the report of the committee appointed to lay out a public road from Palmetto to Bayou Jack (at the old D. C. McMillan place), be and the same is hereby accepted. Resolved, further, that in accordance with said report a public road thirty-five feet wide be established on the following line, to-wit: The said road to begin at or near Palmetto on the T. & P. railroad and run between the lands of L. Goudcheaux and Pierre Durosseau and William Toller to the land of Wesley Budden; thence between the land of Wesley Budden and Pierre Durosseau to a point measuring 800 yards on said line of Pierre Durosseau, thence in a northeasterly direction to a point on Wesley Budden's land marked on an ash tree as a surveyor's corner; this said line to run on a line supposed to be between two tenants, viz: Andre H. Deshotel and L. L. Ellerbe; thence from said ash tree in a northerly direction to the lands of S. S. Pierce, thence through said lands to a northerly direction to a point on Bayou Rouge known as the old Frith steamboat landing; thence up Bayou Rouge on its north or east bank to the land of W. G. Ellerbe; thence running north between the lands of W. G. Ellerbe and C. P. Dunbar for about four acres; thence running north between the lands of W. G. Ellerbe and Valley Land and Planting Company for the distance of about four acres; thence in a northerly direction for about one mile to Bayou Tamra, thence across the said Bayou Tamra, and thence in a northerly direction for about one-fourth of a mile to lands of E. P. Veazie and others, then through said lands (following Bayou McMillan in its east side, to Bayou Jack, at a point known as the old Dan McMillan place.

Motion carried.

Motion by Dr. Clopton:

Whereas, The local taxpayers and residents of Palmetto, Bayou Rouge, and Bayou Jack, have voluntarily subscribed the sum of four hundred and thirty-four 50-100 dollars in aid of the construction of a public bridge across the Bayou Rouge at a point known as the Steamboat Landing on the Frith place, on the Bayou Rouge; and Whereas, The construction of said work would be one of great public utility and advantage;

Resolved, by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Landry, that the sum of five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby appropriated by the parish, payable out of the internal improvement funds, to aid in the construction of said bridge at said point; the same to be available as soon as the \$434.50, subscribed by the citizens, shall be paid into the parish treasury.

Be it further resolved, that Geo. H. Ellerbe, L. L. Ganson, and Dr. R. G. Hawkins, be and are hereby appointed a committee, the contract for the building of said bridge to the lowest bid-

der, and to receive and report upon the same after its completion.

Messrs. Clopton, Guillery, Halphen, Dailey, Guillery, Stelly, Muller, Savant, Deshotel, Vidrine, Fruge, Lafleur and Manuel voting yes.

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stelly, seconded and carried. That the report of committee appointed to extend the public road now leading from Bayou Teche to Pacannier, be received and accepted as a public road, to-wit: Starting at said Bayou Teche, between the plantation of Jos. Benoit and public school house, going as far as plantation of Mrs. Alexis Moreau, running thirty arpents, starting on a line between the plantations of Mrs. Alexis Moreau and Mrs. Francois Castille, and running in a northerly direction.

Motion by Mr. Halphen, seconded and carried. That the appropriation of forty dollars, made at last meeting for rebuilding bridge across gully near C. Richards, First ward, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Motion by Mr. Deshotel's. That the sum of seventy-five dollars or as much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated out of the Fifth ward internal improvement funds, to build an annex to the bridge across Grand Cordee, and that the contract be let by the following committee, when completed:

Messrs. Joseph Vidrine, Ezra Martin and Dr. L. Lazarro, committee.

Messrs. Clopton, Durio, Guillery Halphen, Dailey, Guillery, Stelly, Muller, Savant, Deshotel, Vidrine, Fruge, Lafleur, Manuel, and Bertrand, voting yes. Motion carried.

Received from Dr. P. Foster the sum of seven dollars from sale of old lumber, Eighth ward, the said amount to be turned over to the parish treasurer.

Motion by Mr. Savant. That the police jury go into executive session. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Guillery. That the police jury now go into open session. Carried.

Motion by Mr. Adraeste Lafleur: Resolved, That the second proposition of Favrot & Livandais, architects, contained in their letter of August 23rd, 1904, to Mr. E. B. Dubuisson, be accepted, and their services engaged on the terms proposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. M. A. Lafleur: Resolved, That the committee heretofore appointed to advertise for bids, with Mr. Adolphe Guillery as an additional member, be and they are hereby authorized in conjunction with Favrot & Livandais, architects, to open and consider the bids submitted under the call of said committee, and to report back their conclusions and recommendations in regard to said bids, to this body, as soon as they can conveniently do so. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Durio, the police jury adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Sept. 6th, 1904.

The police jury met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Dr. W. F. Clopton, president; Messrs. Guillery, Dailey, Guillery, Stelly, Savant, Deshotel, Vidrine, Bertrand, Durio, Manuel, Fruge, Halphen and Lafleur.

Motion by Mr. Guillery, seconded and carried. That the petition from residents and taxpayers of the First ward praying that a committee be appointed to lay out a public road, starting from the old Arthur Simon place, thence running north between the land of Wm. LeBlanc and David Lock; thence west between lands of B. H. Pavy and lands formerly belonging to J. Meyers & Co., thence north between lands of Francois Davy and Alcee Guillery and Albert Davy, to intersect the public road leading from Opelousas to Chataignier, be received and that Messrs. Henry Pavy, Lodge Fisher and P. P. Hidalgo be appointed to lay out said road as described.

Motion by Mr. Dailey: That the parish school board be allowed the use of the treasurer's office for their meetings. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Guillery. Be It Resolved, That Messrs. Jno. B. Clay, Marcey Gardiner, Jean Louis Hebert and D. Savoie, be appointed a committee to ascertain the best way to drain the public road between the old Chretien and Guillery places, and to estimate probable cost, and said committee be instructed to interview the adjoining land owners to the end of obtaining from them contributions to assist in carrying out the work. Carried.

Motion by Mr. Guillery. That the report of a committee appointed to locate a canal to drain the public road in the Second ward, be received and accepted, committee discharged, and that the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated to the said canal as follows: Beginning at public road leading from Bristol to Acadia parish line, and running between the lands of Placide Simar and Joe Daigle on the west, and the lands of J. O. Johnson and Comeau on the east, 28 arpents long, and intersecting gully on north side of Joe Daigle's land. The work to be done under the supervision of and received, when completed, by Messrs. Placide Simar and Chas. Delahousse, and lay to report to this body. Messrs. Clopton, Durio, Guillery, Halphen, Dailey, Guillery, Stelly, Savant, Deshotel, Vidrine, Fruge, Lafleur, and Manuel voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Dailey, that Messrs. J. J. Barry, Augustus Burleigh, J. B. Sibille, J. M. Gardiner, and J. M. Smith, be appointed to lay out a public road as petitioned for by citizens of the Second ward from J. M. Smith's corner to Ben De Valcourts, and from thence to some point intersecting the public road leading to Sunset, without damage to anyone, and the said committee to report at next regular meeting.

Motion by Mr. Halphen, seconded and carried. That Messrs. T. A. Cooke, Leon Lavergne, and Geo. Wilson be appointed a committee to lay out a public road to the plantation of Thos. A. Cooke, and there connecting with a public road leading from the church point road to the plantation of Thos. A. Cooke, and there connecting with a public road leading to the Bellevue road, as per petition presented to this body. Resolved, further, that the said committee make their report at next regular meeting, and also to the probable cost of building the bridges upon said road.

Motion by Mr. Bertrand: Resolved, That Mr. E. B. Dubuisson, parish attorney, be and he is hereby

instructed to take such legal proceedings as may be necessary against the proper parties to cause the removal of the obstructions in the ditches or canals draining the public road through lands formerly belonging to Terrance Johnson and Leon Pire, to Bayou Mallett, and known as the Terrace Johnsons and Leon Pire canals or ditches. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Guillery. That the salary of Mr. J. C. Stitt as janitor be increased five dollars per month.

Mr. Manuel called for the yeas and nays.

Messrs. Durio, Guillery, Stelly, Deshotel, Fruge, Lafleur, Bertrand, voting yes.

Motion by Mr. Lafleur, for want of a two-thirds vote.

Motion by Mr. Lafleur. That the petition of Augustin J. Barzaro, of the Seventh ward be tabled until next regular meeting.

Motion by Mr. Bertrand, seconded and carried. That the petitions for and against a road being established in the Eighth ward along the canal between the property of the heirs of Joseph Bourque, R. E. McBride and others, and the same are hereby ordered tabled indefinitely.

Motion by Mr. Vidrine. That the petition table at last meeting praying for a public road starting from Dunbar's store and leading west to intersect public road at corner of O. Guillery's land, be and the same is hereby tabled until next regular meetings.

Motion by Mr. Deshotel's, seconded and carried.

The committee jury resolved itself into a committee of the whole to examine and approve claims.

Mr. Deshotel's in the chair. M. L. Swords, conveying prisoners, arrests, mileage, etc. \$151.20

M. L. Swords, feeding prisoners, Aug. 1 to Sept. 5. 167.85

J. M. Currey, guarding jail eighteen days. 36.00

M. L. Swords, arresting Sam Harmon in Acadia parish, mileage, etc. 15.50

W. L. Stanton, one 2-wheel grader, Fourth ward. 63.00

J. L. Stewart, road work, Fourth ward. 774.98

W. A. Duckworth, road work, etc., Fourth ward. 50.00

John Jennings, 2nd Qt. road work, First ward. 167.50

Thomas Meyers, road work, First ward. 25.00

Eddy Harmon, road work, First ward. 6.50

Manor Dupre, building levees, First ward. 3.50

Mistick & Potier, road work, Second ward. 10.00

Albert Prejan, road work, Second ward. 10.00

Albert Daigle, road work, 2nd ward. 5.00

Cleophas Guillery, road work, Second ward. 15.00

Oliver Cornier, road work, Second ward. 57.00

Walter Guillery, road work, Second ward. 25.00

Chas. Guillery, road work, Second ward. 10.00

Felix Miller, draining mud-hole, Second ward. 5.00

Robt. Barry, road work, Second ward. 5.00

R. L. Mills, road work, Second ward. 3.00

C. A. Joffries, serving notice on L. Stanton, road contract, for Second ward. 2.00

L. Domingaux, serving notice on L. Savoie, road contractor, Second ward. 1.00

L. Domingaux, serving notice on J. M. Ware, road contractor, Second ward. 1.75

J. H. Ballridge, road work, Fifth ward. 2.00

Sostene Deshotel's, 20 box drains on public road, Fifth ward. 20.00

J. E. Roberts, road work, Fifth ward. 12.50

Walter McRae, filling hole in public road, Fifth ward. 75.00

H. Guillery, cutting trees off public road, Fifth ward. 3.00

Alcindor Fontenot, First Qt. road work, Seventh ward. 14.14

Angelas Fontenot, First Qt. road work, Seventh ward. 30.00

J. B. Fontenot, filling mud-hole, Seventh ward. 5.00

M. B. Fontenot, filling mud-hole, Seventh ward. 8.00

Jean Hidalgo, road work, Eighth ward. 75.00

Ned O'Pray, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 11.25

E. Fisher, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 54.40

J. B. Childs, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 12.25

L. M. Bism, 2d Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 12.50

Arville Richard, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 40.65

Allen McCoy, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 41.25

W. C. Dejean, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 45.35

Christoval Duplechain, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 12.19

Damonville Savoie, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 9.00

Valmont Duplechain, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 9.00

Theog. Manuel, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 5.62

Alex. Hardesty, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 24.00

John Brown, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 7.50

Dumas Fontenot, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 8.75

Felicien Ledoux, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 35.00

Alex. Hardesty, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 31.50

Christoval Duplechain, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 19.65

Francis Fuslier, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 21.25

Eusebe Bertrand, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 21.87

Eusebe Bertrand, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 35.00

John Brown, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 21.25

Valmont Duplechain, 2nd Qt. road work, Eighth ward. 25.00

M. Billedeau, 2d Qt. supt. road work, Eighth ward. 31.25

Dr. W. F. Clopton, registration on warrants, etc. 96.00

J. J. Healey, registration on warrants, etc. 1.30

L. A. Sandoz, supplying omissions on torn and defaced pages Labyche Index. 10.00

J. A. Drummond, sundry work. 6.00

F. J. Dietlein, repairing and changing combination lock, clerk's office. 5.00

R. M. Littell, M. D. professional services, examination of Elias Kelly. 10.00

Alex. Deville, retaining wall for arrest and conviction of Leo Cox, selling liquor without license. 150.00

T. R. Carroll, Jr., information to district attorney, resulting in conviction of Will Lewis, selling liquor without license. 150.00

J. O. Chachere, moving and hauling grass from court house square. 6.00

Manufacturer's Recd. Pub. Co. Advtr. for bids on jail. 11.40

Edna Reed, juror on inquest. 4.25

Hardin Hebert, juror on inquest. 4.25

Tom Mitchell, juror on inquest. 4.40

Oscar Bordelon, juror on inquest. 4.25

M. L. Swords, telegram, August, '04. 2.75

Town of Opelousas, water and light bill, read, Aug. 27. 23.35

The Picayune, Advtr. for bids on jail. 29.16

R. E. Burleigh, burying pauper. 8.60

Cumberland Tel. Co. service, month of August. 3.00

H. Bodemuller, printing, etc., sheriff and tax collector's offices. 14.80

J. K. Sandoz & Bro., sundries. 12.60

Jacobs News Co., one journal. 1.00

J. L. Chapman, building bridge, Seventh ward. 40.00

J. E. Roberts, repairing bridge, Fifth ward. 5.00

P. P. Hidalgo, repairing bridge, 1st ward. 5.50

W. R. Bondreau, drawing two deeds to public road, Second ward. 6.25

J. M. Smith, building bridge, Second ward. 2.00

T. C. Gibbens, lumber, Fifth ward. 48.00

L. D. Stelly, work on Frigid bridge, Second ward. 7.00

L. D. Stelly, hauling lumber, Second ward. 7.30

V. H. Sibille, lumber, Second ward. 15.75

Gottier Frilot, building bridge, First ward. 24.00

J. B. Sibille, fencing public road through land of J. B. Bismarck, Second ward. 30.00

F. Deballon, repairing bridge, Seventh ward. 30.00

O. T. Lafleur, repairing bridge, Seventh ward. 3.00

D. Meche, selling old lumber, Second ward. 2.00

A. C. Skiles, lumber, Eighth ward. 24.24

A. C. Skiles, lumber, First ward. 85.46

Lem Wolff, nails, etc., Fifth ward. 5.60

Motion by Mr. Guillery: That the committee on claims resolved itself into regular session of police jury.

The committee on claims reported through Chairman Deshotel's, that they had examined the claims as above detailed, and found same correct.

On motion the report was accepted and committee discharged.

Motion by Mr. Guillery, seconded and carried. That the clerk of the police jury be authorized to issue a warrant in favor of Mr. R. Lee Garland, for claim approved April 5th, 1904, and amounting to one hundred and forty-two dollars and 90-100 dollars, for convictions where parties worked out their fines, said warrant to be issued against the parish treasurer.

Motion by Mr. Deshotel's, the police jury adjourned until 2:30 o'clock p. m.

Evening Session.

The police jury met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Dr. W. F. Clopton, president; Messrs. Dailey, Guillery, Stelly, Savant, Deshotel, Fruge, Lafleur, Manuel, Bertrand and Halphen.

Motion by Mr. Dailey. That the parish attorney Mr. E. B. Dubuisson, be requested to draft a game ordinance in accordance with the game law adopted at the last meeting of the Legislature, and to be adopted by this body at its next regular meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Savant. The minutes were read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Manuel the police jury adjourned until 9 o'clock.

Sept. 7th, '04.

The police jury met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Dr. W. F. Clopton, president; Messrs. Dailey, Guillery, Stelly, Savant, Vidrine, Fruge, Manuel, Bertrand, Halphen, Durio, Muller, Guillery, Lafleur.

Motion by Mr. Savant, duly seconded and carried.

Resolved, That the report of the committee appointed to receive and consider bids for the erection of a new jail for this parish be received; that said report with accompanying documents, be spread upon the minutes, and the committee discharged.

Resolved, further, that the recommendations of said committee be adopted, and that accordingly the bid of the Pauly Jail Company of St. Louis, Missouri, to build a modern jail in this parish, according to the plans and specifications of W. S. Hull, architect, submitted to this jury, subject to the modifications and changes recommended by the supervising architect, Mr. L. A. Livandais, for the price and sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, payable according to the published terms calling for bids, under which the present award is made, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Resolved, further, that a contract in accordance with this award be drawn up by the parish attorney and supervising architect to be submitted to this police jury at its next meeting.

Resolved, further, that when this police jury adjourns, it shall adjourn to meet again on Thursday, September 15th, 1904, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of signing and ratifying said contract and passing the proper ordinances to carry it into effect.

The following documents and reports were ordered spread upon the minutes, to-wit:

SEALED BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION of a modern jail for the parish of St. Landry, with capacity for fifty prisoners, and to cost not more than thirty-five thousand dollars, payable five thousand dollars on completion of the building, and the balance in six year installments, with five per cent per annum interest from acceptance of the building until paid, will be received by the undersigned on or before Sept. 5, 1904, bids to be founded upon plans and specifications to be furnished by each bidder. As evidence of good faith, a certified check for twenty-five hundred dollars must accompany each bid. The undersigned reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

A. J. Muller, E. B. Dubuisson, Committee.

Opelousas, La., Sept. 5, 1904.

Building Committee of the Police Jury of St. Landry Parish, La.

Gentlemen: We propose to erect and build a parish jail, according to the plans and specifications prepared

by Wm. S. Hull, and which are herewith submitted.

The building and cell work as shown complete for the sum of thirty-five thousand (\$35,000) dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Pauly Jail Building Co., Per F. B. Hull, Agent.

To the Honorable, the President and Members of the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana.

Your committee, appointed to open bids for the construction of a new jail and consider them in connection with the plans and specifications accompanying them, with the assistance of Mr. Livandais, supervising architect, and to make a report thereon to your honorable body, beg leave to report as follows:

There were submitted to us three separate bids, and sets of plans and specifications. All bids were for the full amount of \$35,000, the limit set in the resolution of your honorable body, and the call for bids as published by the committee appointed for that purpose.

Of the three sets of plans and specifications, your committee considers that those submitted