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The Proposed Route Between Franklin and Baldwin.

The Good Roads Commission held a special meeting in Franklin on last Tuesday. The principal matter before it for consideration was the selection of a route for that part of the Parish model road between the towns of Franklin and Baldwin. Several routes were proposed and each one of them was carefully studied and considered by the Commission.

The Commission finally selected the following route and recommended its adoption by the Police Jury: "Beginning at the northern end of Main Street at what is known as the Klein-Gibbon corner and running along the Klein-Gibbon Line to Yokely Canal (at which point you enter the property of the Columbia Sugar Company), from this point through the right of way over Columbia hereby offered, up to and on the road known as the Cow Road, thence turning at a point about an acre from the present public road around Irish Bend, and running towards the town of Baldwin, approximately along the first head land to the corner known as the Peltier corner."

The Police Jury at its regular session held on last Wednesday unanimously approved the recommendations of the Good Roads Commission and by ordinance adopted finally the route or road proposed by the Commission.

The Banner fully endorses this action of the Police Jury, and we feel confident that, under the circumstances which actuated the selection, it will receive general approbation. The Parish at this time has not the money to build a model road around the Bend, but the route selected between Franklin and Baldwin affords conveniences of travel to a goodly number of the people living in the Bend. In constructing a main highway through a Parish, it is not possible to give equal direct convenience to all portions thereof, but it should be located, however, so as to give free access to it to the people living on other roads. This the Good Roads Commission and the Police Jury have done.

Police Jury Proceedings.

FRANKLIN, LA., Aug. 4, 1915.

A regular meeting of the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Mary was held this day. The meeting was called to order by President Chas. N. Frost. Roll call showed the following members present: T. Aucoin, Oscar Boudreaux, Alys Robichaux, Gabriel Haydel, Gustave Thorguson, Jno. R. Drackett, Geo. J. LeBourgeois, F. A. Robertson, W. N. Gooch, and Chas. N. Frost.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and on motion

talaya Bay Ship Channel Company, of date June 29, 1915, addressed to Mr. C. N. Frost, with a check for \$1,202.31, was read. Also a letter from the same party, of date July 24, 1915, with a check for \$204.16, was read. The President stated that the checks had been turned over to the Treasurer, and placed to the credit of the Good Road fund.

Moved by Mr. Thorguson, seconded by Mr. Gooch and carried, that the letters be received and placed on file.

A letter from Mr. E. A. Pharr to the Police Jury, suggesting that the Jury invite a committee from the Police Jury of Terrebonne and Assumption parishes to meet the Good Roads Commission, was read. Also a letter from Mr. J. C. Dupont, president of the Police Jury of the Parish of Terrebonne, addressed to Mr. E. A. Pharr, was read, also the reply by Mr. Pharr to Mr. Dupont was read.

Moved by Mr. Drackett, seconded by Mr. Aucoin and carried, that the letters be tabled for future action.

A report from Mr. E. L. Saucier, Demonstration Agent, was read:

FRANKLIN, LA., July 31st, 1915.
To the Honorable Members of the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Mary:

GENTLEMEN:—I will respectfully submit the following demonstration work done during the month of July. I put in 22 working days this month, made 57 official visits, vaccinated 539 head of live stock.

Travelled 545 miles. Made four post mortem examinations for hog cholera. Made diagnosis of four cases of tick fever, and was called to examine 10 cases of charbon.

I tested the arsenical solution of three dipping vats, with a Government testing outfit.

Made plans for the construction of one dipping vat. Instrumental in the purchasing of one silo.

Yours very truly,
ED. L. SAUCIER,
Local Agent.

Moved by Mr. Gooch, seconded by Mr. Boudreaux and carried, that the report be received and made part of the minutes.

An application for a liquor license permit from Messick & Fernandez was read.

Moved by Mr. Robichaux, seconded by Mr. Boudreaux and carried, that the liquor license permit be granted to Messick & Fernandez.

The President stated to the jury that on account of the regulations of the railroad, freight charges on gravel by rail would have to be paid weekly, and that a bond had to be given, and that he had Jno. C. Lewis & Co., agent of the U. S. Fidelity and Guaranty Co., of Baltimore, Md., to execute a bond, which he presented, the cost of same being \$10.00.

Moved by Mr. Gooch, seconded by Mr. Aucoin and unanimously carried, that the bond executed by Chas. N. Frost, President of the Police Jury, in the U. S. Fidelity and Guaranty Co., of Baltimore, Md., on the 31st day of July, 1915, be and the same is hereby ratified, and a warrant of \$10.00 in payment of the premium be issued to John C. Lewis & Co., agent. Be it further resolved that the Secretary issue warrants in the regular form weekly in payment of freight charges, to be approved by the President of the Police Jury.

Mr. T. C. Lawless, representing the Albert Hanson Lumber Co., appeared before the Jury and requested permission to cut a canal across the public road at Ivanhoe plantation in Cypremort, and that his company would erect a draw bridge and would pay all expenses for same.

Moved by Mr. Gooch, seconded by Mr. Aucoin, and unanimously carried, the following ordinance was adopted:

"Be it ordained by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Mary, La., that permission be and the same is hereby granted the Albert Hanson Lumber Company, Limited, to cut a canal of such width as it might see fit across the public road in Cypremort at or near the north line of the Ivanhoe plantation belonging to the Cypremort Land Company, such grant being made on condition that the said Albert Hanson Lumber Company shall construct across the public road a bridge to be in accordance with the plan presented to the Police Jury this day, and under the supervision and subject to the approval of the engineers of the Parish of St. Mary, or the road authorities, and that further the said Albert Hanson Lumber Company shall maintain said bridge."

Messrs. Robert and Allen Barnett and H. H. Dinkins appeared before the Jury and complained of the condition of the road bed on lower Cypremort, and requested that the Police Jury have same remedied before the rainy season sets in.

The matter was referred to the Road Committee for action. Moved by Mr. LeBourgeois,

seconded by Mr. Prevost, and carried, that notice be given for applicants as beneficiaries to the La. State University at Baton Rouge, and the Southwestern La. Industrial Institute at Lafayette, subject to competitive examination under the rules presently adopted. All applicants to be graduates from a high school of the Parish of St. Mary.

The President stated to the Jury that the Good Roads Commission at a meeting held on August 3rd, 1915, after going over carefully a number of routes between Franklin and Baldwin, had adopted the route designated as route No. 1. He then submitted a map of the route, with a letter from the Columbia Sugar Co., and as Chairman of the Good Roads Commission recommended to the Jury that said route be adopted as set forth in the proposition of the Columbia Sugar Company, and as per map submitted by Parish engineers.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Gooch, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Haydel.

"Be it ordained by the Police Jury in regular session assembled, that the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Mary does hereby adopt as a part of the main model highway the route laid out and designated on a map or sketch marked exhibit "A" as identification with this ordinance, and which is otherwise described as follows: Beginning at the northern end of Main Street at what is known as the Klein-Gibbon Corner and running along the Klein-Gibbon Line to Yokely Canal (at which point you enter the property of the Columbia Sugar Company), from this point through the right of way over Columbia hereby offered, up to and on the road known as the Cow Road, thence turning at a point about an acre from the present public road around Irish Bend, and running towards the Town of Baldwin, approximately along the first head land to the corner known as the Peltier Corner.

"Be it further resolved, that this route is adopted to become a part of the permanent model highway subject to the conditions stipulated by the Columbia Sugar Company in its letter of date August 3, 1915.

"Be it further resolved, that Chas. N. Frost, President of the Police Jury, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered for and on behalf of the Parish of St. Mary, to acquire and receive proper deeds and transfers of title to the lands necessary for the road bed of said model highway along the route described by act of donation or other gratuitous title if possible.

"Be it further resolved, that should the said Chas. N. Frost be unable to acquire the lands necessary without the necessity of expropriation proceedings, then in that event he is hereby authorized and empowered to institute the necessary legal proceedings for the expropriation and consequent acquisition of the lands necessary for the road or model highway along the route proposed as aforesaid."

The President then instructed the Secretary to call the roll on the resolution, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Aucoin, Boudreaux, Robichaux, Haydel, Thorguson, Drackett, LeBourgeois, Robertson, Gooch, Prevost.

Nays: None.

The President then declared the resolution carried.

The President then made a full and detailed report as to the progress of the road work by the Contractor, Mr. Hampton Reynolds, and that during the month that it was necessary for him to employ Mr. John M. Rochel as assistant engineer to the resident engineer, at a salary of \$85.00 per month.

Moved by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Boudreaux, that the action of the President in employing Mr. Jno. M. Rochel be approved, and that an expense fund not to exceed \$10.00 per day be allowed him, he to furnish an itemized account of all monies expended, and to be approved by the resident engineer and the President of the Police Jury. Should either Messrs. Loustalot or Rochel find it necessary to exceed the expense account here provided for, either or both of them shall make application to the President of the Police Jury for authority to exceed the amount provided for, and the President is now authorized to allow an expense account should it be in his opinion necessary or advisable.

The President then instructed the Secretary to call the roll on the motion, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Aucoin, Boudreaux, Robichaux, Haydel, Thorguson, Drackett, LeBourgeois, Robertson, Gooch, Prevost.

Nays: None.

The President then declared the

motion carried.

The President then stated that as the road work progressed that it would be necessary to employ some competent man to inspect the gravel by rail and water.

Moved by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Gooch, that the President be authorized, when in his judgment it becomes necessary, to hire a competent man to attend to the gauging of cars and barges and other work that may be necessary, and that the President is hereby further authorized to hire such other help as he may deem necessary, and to attend to such other matters that may present themselves in the carrying out of the good road work.

The President then instructed the Secretary to call the roll on the motion, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Aucoin, Boudreaux, Robichaux, Haydel, Thorguson, Drackett, LeBourgeois, Robertson, Gooch, Prevost.

Nays: None.

The President then declared the motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gooch, seconded by Mr. Aucoin, and carried, That the President be authorized to employ some one to check up the books of E. A. Boudreaux, treasurer, and transfer the Treasurer's books to Mr. A. P. Daigle.

The President stated that it had been called to his attention that in the upper end of the Parish, on the Bosworth plantation, that there is an epidemic of typhoid fever, and that the disease was amongst families who were too poor to pay for the services of a physician, and to buy necessary medicines, and that Dr. Beverly W. Smith, of Franklin, and Mrs. Mienville and Tarlton, of Jeanerette, had tendered their services free of charge. The President also stated that the services of a trained nurse were required, and that he had authorized the employment of Miss Bourg, a trained nurse, of New Orleans, who is now in charge of the typhoid patients; her proposition being if she was employed for one week, her charges would be \$25.00, if for a month, under the circumstances, she would charge \$75.00.

Moved by Mr. LeBourgeois, seconded by Mr. Prevost, and unanimously carried, that the Parish of St. Mary employ Miss Bourg, trained nurse, her salary commencing from July 25, 1915, for the purpose of nursing the typhoid patients on Bosworth plantation at the rate of \$75.00 per month, such employment to continue until such time as Dr. B. W. Smith shall advise as necessary. It is further moved that the Parish of St. Mary pay for all medicine and vaccine points as may be recommended by the attending physicians, all bills for same to be approved by Dr. B. W. Smith.

The President then instructed the Secretary to call the roll on the motion, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Aucoin, Boudreaux, Robichaux, Haydel, Thorguson, Drackett, LeBourgeois, Robertson, Gooch, Prevost.

Nays: None.

The President then declared the motion carried.

The President then stated to the Jury that the last draft of \$150.00 drawn on the Southwestern Traction & Power Co., for rental on Charenton bridge had been returned unpaid, and that he had written to Mr. Jules Godchaux, president of the road, that unless the indebtedness due the parish for rent on lease of Charenton bridge be paid, that he would recommend at this meeting of the Jury that the bridge again be put on as a toll bridge. He then read a letter he had received from Mr. Jules Godchaux in reply to his letter.

Mr. Roberts C. Milling, representing the Southwestern Traction and Power Company, stated that the company had come to this point, under present conditions of the country, that it could not pay the \$100.00 per month rental, and if the Jury would do so, the Company would be willing to pay the monthly maintenance of the bridge, which approximately amounts to \$50.00 per month. Mr. Milling also proposed to the Jury that if it would return the money that his Company has on deposit in the different banks, the Company would relinquish the tax.

After a full discussion of the whole matter by the President, District Attorney and the members of the Jury, the following resolution was introduced by Mr. Robichaux, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Prevost:

"That the Jury defer action on the Southwestern Traction & Power Company matter, until the next regular meeting, and that the matter be referred to the District Attorney for his consideration and report, without prejudice to either party."

The President then instructed the Secretary to call the roll on the motion, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Aucoin, Boudreaux, Robichaux, Haydel, Thorguson, Drackett, LeBourgeois, Robertson, Gooch, Prevost.

Nays: None.

The President then declared the

motion carried.

Messrs. LeBourgeois and Prevost, a committee appointed at the last meeting of the Jury, with the road overseer, to look into the complaint of Mr. Lagerman of the drainage of the Charenton and Georgetown canal, reported that they had investigated the matter and found things complicated, and from testimony received, think the matter an entirely private one.

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the committee be received and discharge with thanks.

The Tax Collector, Treasurer, Sheriff and Clerk of Court filed their reports.

Moved by Mr. Haydel, seconded by Mr. Boudreaux, and carried, the reports were received and ordered spread on the minutes.

There being no further business, on motion the Jury adjourned.

CHAS. N. FROST, President.
W. H. LATHAM, Secretary.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF ST. MARY.

Be it known, that on this second day of August, 1915, before me, Paul Kramer, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified within and for the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared: A. M. Underwood and Adam Short, both residents of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, herein appearing in their capacities as President and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively, of the BELLEVIEW PLANTATION COMPANY, LTD., a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana by an act executed before Charles F. Borah, Notary Public, in and for the Parish of St. Mary, State aforesaid, on the 10th day of July, 1906, and recorded in Book 52 of Mortgages, Folio 410, Entry No. 32,300, of the Clerk's Office, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana; who declared that, at a meeting of the stockholders of the Belleview Plantation Company, Ltd., held at its domicile on Belleview Plantation, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana, on the 2nd day of August, 1915, for the purpose of considering the amendment of Article V of the Charter of said Corporation, held after due compliance with all of the provisions of law and the requirements of the Charter of said Corporation, Article V of said Charter of said Corporation was amended by the vote of each and every stockholder of said Corporation, constituting the entire capital stock of said Corporation, and the said A. M. Underwood and Adam Short further declared that at said meeting they were authorized and directed to appear before some competent notary public, commissioned and qualified within and for the Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana, to execute the proposed notarial act and declaration of said amendment, required by law, for the purpose of affording authentic evidence and permanent record.

Wherefore, the said appearers declared, in pursuance of the authority thus conferred on them, that, at said meeting held on 2nd day of August, 1915, Article V of the Charter of the Belleview Plantation Company, Ltd., was amended so as hereafter to read and be, as follows:

ARTICLE V.

All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors to be presently composed of three (3) stockholders, two of whom shall constitute a quorum, who shall be elected annually on the first Monday in August of each year beginning with the first Monday in August of the year 1907, and shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and qualified. All such elections shall be by ballot, and each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock standing in his name on the books of the corporation; which vote shall be cast in person or by proxy, and it shall require a majority of the stock present or represented to elect.

No person shall be a member of the Board of Directors of this company who is not a stockholder in said company.

The Board of Directors, while presently established at three, shall, upon a two-thirds (2-3) vote of the stock of the company, be increased to five should the stockholders of said company be increased to that or a greater number. Should the Directorate be increased to four or five, it shall require three to constitute a quorum.

In all matters relating to the management and general business of said company that may require an action of the Board of Directors, a majority of the Directors shall control; but should it be desired to buy or sell real estate, or mortgage or otherwise hypothecate same, or to pledge or hypothecate the crops grown by said company, or to borrow money or to issue any note or other evidence of indebtedness for or on behalf of said company, it shall require a two-thirds (2-3) vote of the stockholders of said company at a meeting called for that purpose upon the written request of the holder or holders of not less than twenty-five (25) per cent. of the outstanding stock of said corporation after notice duly given in writing by the Secretary to every stockholder in said corporation not less than ten (10) days prior to the date of said proposed meeting, unless such notice be waived by all of the holders of the stock of said corporation.

This done and passed at my office, at Franklin, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana, on the day, month and year first above written in the presence of A. G. Reeves and W. P. Dinkins, two competent witnesses, who have hereunto signed their names with said appearers and me, Notary, after due reading of the whole.

(Signed) A. M. UNDERWOOD,
President.
ADAM SHORT,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Witnesses:
A. G. REEVES,
W. P. DINKINS,
P. KRAMER,
Notary Public.

Clerk's office, Franklin, La.
Received and filed for Recordation at
9:30 a. m. Aug. 3, 1915.

W. H. KRAMER, Clerk of Court.

Clerk's office, Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana.
I, Wilbur H. Kramer, Clerk of the 23rd Judicial District Court, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana, Ex-Officio Recorder thereof, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as on file and of record in my office, recorded in Book 1 of Incorporations, under entry No. 53 of date August 3rd, 1915.

In evidence whereof, witness my official signature and the impress of the seal of my office, this 3rd day of August.

WILBUR H. KRAMER,
Clerk Ex-Officio Recorder.