

MARCH 23, 2004
RACELAND, LOUISIANA

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF LAFOURCHE

THE LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL BOARD OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERMITS COMMITTEE WAS SCHEDULED TO MEET ON TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2004, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC WORKS & SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL MEETING ROOM AT THE LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL BARRIOS CENTER, 1612 HWY. 182, SUITE 100, RACELAND LOUISIANA.

Mr. Michael Matherne, Chairman, stated that the Board of Appointments and Permits Committee were ready for the transaction of business following the close of the Public Works & Solid Waste Committee Meeting. Proceedings of the meeting were called to order at 7:45 P.M. with the following:

PRESENT: Mr. Tyrone Williams—Co-Chair
Mr. Mike Delatte
Mr. Michael Matherne—Chairman
Mr. Tommy Lasseigne
Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer
Mr. Lindel Toups
Mr. L. Phillip Gouaux, II
Mr. Brent Callais
Mr. Daniel Lorraine

ABSENT: None

MOTIONS

The first item (1) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to appoint any interested Council members to the Office of Community Action Administering Board. Mr. Tyrone Williams, a board member, suggested that six council members be appointed to the board to assist in the board's control. President Randolph mentioned that this board meets bi-monthly. A **motion** was offered by Mr. Tyrone Williams and seconded by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer to appoint Mr. Lindel Toups, Mr. Michael Matherne, Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, Mr. Tyrone Williams, Mr. Daniel Lorraine, and Mr. Phillip Gouaux. The Committee *recommended the appointments* of **Mr. Lindel Toups, Mr. Michael Matherne, Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, Mr. Tyrone Williams, Mr. Daniel Lorraine, and Mr. Phillip Gouaux** to the **Office of Community Action Administering Board** by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays. An announcement was made that the next meeting will be on March 30, 2004 and are usually held at Western Sizzlin.

The next item (2) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action or appoint three (3) Community Representative Alternates to the Lafourche Parish Head Start Policy Council Board/advertised. A motion was offered by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, seconded by Mr. Lindel Toups, and *carried to defer item (2) to the next committee meeting* by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

The next item (3) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to appoint one (1) individual to the Bayou Blue Fire Protection District of the Parishes of Terrebonne and Lafourche, due to the resignation of Ms. Pansy C. Chauvin/re-advertised. A motion was offered by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, seconded by Mr. Brent Callais, and *carried* to **defer item (3) to the April 13, 2004 Lafourche Parish Council meeting** by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

The next item (4) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to fill three (3) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish Drainage District No. 6 Board (Ward 6)/advertised. Mr. Mike Delatte announced that no applications were received for this board. A **motion** was offered by Mr. Mike Delatte and seconded by Mr. Lindel Toups to re-advertise for the (3) vacancies. A discussion ensued regarding the cost and process used for advertising. Mr. Phillip Gouaux said that Drainage District No. 6 does not collect a millage. He added that it could become the parish's responsibility if no one wants to serve on the board and suggested that the Parish President investigate the possibility of eliminating the board, with the permission of Councilman Delatte and his constituents. The committee *approved* the motion to **re-advertise** for the three (3) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish **Drainage District No. 6** Board (Ward 6) car by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

The next item (5) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to fill three (3) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish Fire Protection District No. 8 Board (Ward 6)/advertised. Mr. Mike Delatte announced that no applications were received. A **motion** was offered by Mr. Mike Delatte, seconded by Mr. Brent Callais, and *carried* to **re-advertise** for the three (3) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish **Fire Protection District No. 8** Board (Ward 6) car by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

The next item (6) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to fill two (2) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish Recreation District No. 5 Board (Ward 6)/advertised. Mr. Mike Delatte announced that no applications were received. A **motion** was offered by Mr. Mike Delatte, seconded by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, and *carried* to **re-advertise** for the two (2) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish **Recreation District No. 5** Board (Ward 6) car by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

The next item (7) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to fill two (2) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish Game and Fish Management Commission (parish-wide), due to the resignations of Mr. Alvin Arceneaux, Jr. and Mr. Marcus Danos/advertised. A motion was offered by Mr. Lindel Toups, seconded by Mr. Brent Callais, and *carried* to appoint **Mr. Daniel Chiasson** and **Mr. Dwayne Martin** to the **Lafourche Parish Game and Fish Management Commission** by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays. Mr. Chiasson introduced himself and asked for the Council's support.

The next item (8) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to fill two (2) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish Recreation District No. 8 Board (Ward 8), due to the resignation of Mr. Dale Toups, Jr. and Mr. Tony Breaux/advertised. A **motion** was offered by Mr. Lindel Toups, seconded by Mr. Phillip Gouaux, and *carried* to **re-advertise** for the two (2) vacancies to the Lafourche Parish **Recreation District No. 8** Board (Ward 8) car by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

The next item (9) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to authorize advertisement for one (1) vacancy to the Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Board (Ward 10), due to the Ms. Mary Lewis' term expiring May 2004. A motion was offered by Mr. Brent Callais, seconded by Mr. Daniel Lorraine, and *carried* to **advertise** for the vacancy to the Lafourche Parish **Hospital Service District No. 1** Board in the Daily Comet and the Lafourche Gazette by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

The next item (10) on the agenda was a motion to take appropriate action to authorize advertisement for one (1) vacancy to the Lafourche Parish Fire Protection District No. 9 Board (Ward 8), due to Mr. Daniel Clause no longer a resident of Ward 8. A motion was offered by Mr. Lindel Toups, seconded by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, and **carried** to **advertise** for the vacancy to the Lafourche Parish **Fire Protection District No. 9** Board (Ward 8) by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

The next item (11) on the agenda was a motion to enter into discussion concerning previously requested information from parish boards. Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer gave a brief report on the boards who complied with the request and those that are still pending, after be allowed 30days to comply. The boards which are pending are as follows: Central Lafourche Ambulance Service District, Fire Protection District # 8, Recreation Districts # 3, 4, 5, & 11. Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer stated that the Council has no authority over the Terrebonne Fire Protection District # 6, which had not complied with previous deadline. A **motion** was offered by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer and seconded by Mr. Phillip Gouaux requesting that the boards who have not yet turned in the requested information be given until 10:00 A.M on March 26, 2004 to submit the information to the Council Clerk, and added that if the boards do not meet the deadline, that the members be removed from the board and the duties of that board be given to the Lafourche Parish Committee that best serves the board until new board members can be appointed. These boards are as follows: Central Lafourche Ambulance Service District, Fire Protection District # 8, Recreation Districts # 3, 4, 5, & 11. Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer stated that the Council has no authority over the Terrebonne Fire Protection District # 6, which had not complied with previous deadline. Mr. Daniel Lorraine suggested that the committee first check to see whether or not the board received the letter by having the Council Clerk call each of the boards who have not complied. A discussion ensued regarding the new deadline. An **amendment** was offered by Mr. Daniel Lorraine, seconded by Mr. Lindel Toups, and **carried** to contact the Chairman of the non-compliant board with a certified letter requesting the information and extend the deadline to April 12, 2004, the day before the next council meeting by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays. A discussion ensued regarding what would be done with the information. and if anyone had looked at the information yet. The committee **approved** the motion as amended by a vote of eight (8) yeas and one (1) nay, being that of Mr. Lindel Toups.

The next item (12) on the agenda was a motion to enter into discussion concerning the boundaries of Lafourche Parish Fire District No. 8 (Ward 6). Mr. Mike Delatte stated that Fire District No. 8 consists of the Choupic, Chackbay, Choctaw, and Bayou Bouef communities. He added that these communities want to be divided into three separate districts because none of the fire departments in the Ward 6 area receive tax monies or millages from the parish, state, or federal government. He added that these fire stations are operated by fund-raises, such as fairs and bingos. Mr. Delatte then discussed the ratings of the individual fire departments and added that currently, they are rated as together as a district. He further discussed the issue redistricting since some communities want to allow its residents to vote on the option of collecting millages or other tax revenues. Mr. Delatte mentioned that Fire Protection District No. 8 has approved the redistricting and added that several of the fire departments approved it by resolution. Mr. Delatte stated that a proposed ordinance changing the boundaries will be introduced at the next council meeting.

PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE

The next item on the agenda was Public to address the Committee. Sharleen Hotard questioned the term limit of board member who has been appointed due to a resignation. Mr. Phillip Gouaux stated that it depended upon the by-laws of the particular board and the state statute which governs the board.

OTHER BUSINESS

The next item on the agenda was any business be addressed. A motion was offered by Mr. Lindel Toups, seconded by Mr. Phillip Gouaux, and *carried* that the Council Clerk automatically advertise when notified of a board vacancy.

Next, a motion was offered by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, seconded by Mr. Brent Callais, and *carried* to move to a 2/3 agenda.

2/3 AGENDA

The first (1) item on the 2/3 Agenda was a motion to discuss the appointment of a Lafourche Parish Library Board of Control liaison. A motion was offered by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer that the Parish President appoint a liaison. President Randolph appointed Mr. Phillip Gouaux as the Library Board of Control liaison. A discussion ensued on whether or not the appointment had to be ratified by the council. Mr. Daniel Lorraine relinquished his time to Sharleen Hotard, who informed the committee that the Library Board suggested that Mr. Lindel Toups, Mr. Brent Callais, Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, or Mr. Daniel Lorraine be considered as the liaison to the Library Board of Control. President Randolph said that Mr. Chiquet informed her of who he did not want appointed as the liaison. Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer relinquished his time to board member Donovan Toups, who stated that he was never asked to recommend a liaison or had never voted on a liaison. A motion was offered by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, seconded by Mr. Lindel Toups, and *carried* to approve President Randolph's appointment of Mr. Phillip Gouaux as the Library Board of Control liaison by a vote of seven (7) yeas and two (2) nays, being that of Mr. Daniel Lorraine and Mr. Tommy Lasseigne.

A motion was offered by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, seconded by Mr. Brent Callais, and *carried* to return to the regular agenda by a vote of nine (9) yeas and zero (0) nays.

ADJOURN

On motion by Mr. Mike Delatte, seconded by Mr. Mark Atzenhoffer, and with no further business the Lafourche Parish Council Board of Appointments and Permit Committee of March 23, 2004, is adjourned at 8:21 P.M.

**MICHAEL MATHERNE, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPOINTMENTS AND
PERMITS COMMITTEE**

**SHEILA B. BOUDREAUX, COUNCIL CLERK
LAFOURCHE PARISH**