

MINUTES
Of the Special Called Session of
The Claiborne Parish Police Jury
October 17, 2016
Homer, LA 71040

The Claiborne Parish Police Jury met in special called session in the Jury Chambers of the Claiborne Parish Police Jury Complex, located at 507 West Main Street in Homer, LA at 2:00 p.m. on the 17th of October, 2016. On being called to order by President, Scott Davidson, the following jurors were present:

Patricia Stevens, Mark Furlow, Kevin Gray, Joe Sturges, Paul Cook, Joseph Merritt, Jr., Tommy Sanders, and Gill Dowies.

Rev. Willie Young, Sr. was absent.

There was two (2) others present: Secretary-Treasurer Dwayne Woodard and Cathy Hightower of the Guardian Journal.

The meeting was opened with a word of Prayer led by Joe Sturges, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Paul Cook.

Upon motion by Paul Cook., duly seconded by Kevin Gray, the Jury unanimously voted to adopt the Regular agenda as presented.

Regular Agenda:

Upon motion by Kevin Gray, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, the Jury unanimously approved, by show of hands, Resolution 2016-019 – Resolution Amending a Resolution Adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana on September 14, 2016, Ordering and Calling a Special Election to be Held by the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, to Authorize the Levy of Special Taxes Therein, so as to Amend Proposition No. 1 (Roads and Bridges 7.22 mills) and Proposition No. 2 (Road Equipment 2.06 mills)

The following resolution was offered by Kevin Gray and seconded by Joe Sturges:

RESOLUTION 2016-019

A resolution amending a Resolution adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana on September 14, 2016, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of special taxes therein, so as to amend Proposition No. 1 and Proposition No. 2; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the Police Jury of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), adopted a Resolution on September 14, 2016, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of special taxes therein, to be held on Saturday, December 10, 2016; and

WHEREAS, it is now the desire of the Governing Authority to amend said Resolution so as to reduce the millage amounts in Proposition No. 1 and Proposition No. 2;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that:

SECTION 1. Proposition No. 1 and Proposition No. 2 of said Resolution be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1
(MILLAGE CONTINUATION)**

Shall the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), levy a seven and twenty-two hundredths (7.22) mills tax on all the property subject to taxation within the Parish (an estimated \$978,310 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2018 and ending with the year 2027, for the purpose of constructing, improving and/or maintaining Parish roads, streets and bridges, including acquiring, maintaining and/or operating equipment used in connection therewith, said millage to represent a twenty-two hundredths of a mill (.22) increase over the 7 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2017 pursuant to an election held on October 20, 2007?

**PROPOSITION NO. 2
(MILLAGE CONTINUATION)**

Shall the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), levy a two and six hundredths (2.06) mills tax on all the property subject to taxation within the Parish (an estimated \$279,130 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2018 and ending with the year 2027, for the purpose of acquiring, maintaining and/or operating equipment for constructing, improving and/or maintaining Parish roads, streets and bridges, said millage to represent a six hundredths of a mill (.06) increase over the 2 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2017 pursuant to an election held on October 20, 2007?

SECTION 2. A copy of this resolution be forwarded to the state and local election officials and the State Bond Commission. Application is hereby made to the State Bond Commission for their approval of the changes made by this resolution and that the election officials are hereby requested and directed to take any and all action required by law to arrange for the election.

SECTION 3. That a revised Notice of Election substantially in the form of Exhibit "A" attached hereto is hereby authorized to be published in accordance with law.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>ABSTAINING</u>
Patricia Stevens	<u>X</u>			
Mark Furlow	<u>X</u>			
Kevin Gray	<u>X</u>			
Joe A. Sturges	<u>X</u>			
Paul R. Cook	<u>X</u>			
Scott Davidson	<u>X</u>			
Joseph Merritt, Jr.	<u>X</u>			
Tommy Sanders	<u>X</u>			
Gil Dowies	<u>X</u>			
Willie J. Young, Sr.			<u>X</u>	

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 17th day of October, 2016.

/s/ Dwayne R. Woodard
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/ Scott Davidson
President

EXHIBIT "A"

REVISED NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), on September 14, 2016, as amended, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2016**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

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The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the Parish, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m., and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit:

POLLING PLACES	
Precinct	Location
1	Fire District 6 - Summerfield Station, 12125 Hwy. 2 Alt., Bernice
3	Claiborne Parish Fair Building, 1563 Fairgrounds Drive, Haynesville
5	Athens Village Hall, 15329 Hwy. 9, Athens
7	Crossroads Community Center, 3494 Hwy. 519, Athens
8	Homer City Hall, 400 East Main Street, Homer
10	Lisbon Community Center, 131 Hebron Road, Lisbon
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21	Claiborne Parish Fair Building, 1563 Fairgrounds Drive, Haynesville
31	Claiborne Parish Fair Building, 1563 Fairgrounds Drive, Haynesville
34	Claiborne Parish Fair Building, 1563 Fairgrounds Drive, Haynesville
35	Claiborne Parish Fair Building, 1563 Fairgrounds Drive, Haynesville
36	Claiborne Parish Fair Building, 1563 Fairgrounds Drive, Haynesville
37	Claiborne Parish Fair Building, 1563 Fairgrounds Drive, Haynesville
41	Harris Community Center, 2800 Harris Road, Minden
42	Harris Community Center, 2800 Harris Road, Minden
51	Athens Village Hall, 15329 Hwy. 9, Athens
81	Lisbon Community Center, 131 Hebron Road, Lisbon
84	Homer City Hall, 400 East Main Street, Homer
85	Homer City Hall, 400 East Main Street, Homer
87	Homer City Hall, 400 East Main Street, Homer
88	Homer City Hall, 400 East Main Street, Homer
91	Junction City Mayor's Office, 106 West Third Street, Junction City
92	Homer City Hall, 400 East Main Street, Homer

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Precinct	Location
93	Homer City Hall, 400 East Main Street, Homer
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The polling places set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the taxes described in the Propositions shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and **NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN** that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Jury Chambers of the Police Jury Complex, 507 West Main Street, Homer, Louisiana, on **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2017, at TEN O'CLOCK (10:00) A.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Homer, Louisiana, on this, the 17th day of October, 2016.

ATTEST:

/s/ Scott Davidson
President

/s/ Dwayne R. Woodard
Secretary-Treasurer

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF CLAIBORNE

I, the undersigned Secretary-Treasurer of the Police Jury of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), the governing authority of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings taken by the Governing Authority on October 17, 2016, amending a Resolution adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of special taxes therein, so as to amend Proposition No. 1 and Proposition No. 2; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature Homer, Louisiana, on this, the 17th day of October, 2016.

Secretary-Treasurer

Public Comments:

There were no public comments at this time.

Upon motion by Kevin Gray, duly seconded by Joe Sturges, the meeting was adjourned.

Dwayne R. Woodard
Secretary-Treasurer

Scott Davidson
President