

OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2008 – 3:00 PM
POLICE JURY CONFERENCE ROOM

Chairman Charles Jackson called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm. Jurors present were Mrs. Pat Moore, Mr. Dorth Blade, Mr. Mack Calhoun, and Jackson.

Ouachita Registrar of Voters Christa Medaries presented the departments 2008 amended and 2009 proposed budgets.

No action was taken.

Mr. Steve McAdams presented the Health Unit's 2008 amended budget and 2009 proposed budgets. McAdams presented a memo that outlined some of the requests within the budget. Discussion included the request for renovation/remodeling that will make the Health Unit compliant with HIPPA regulations. These would be one-time expenses.

No action was taken.

Mr. Brad Cammack, Police Jury Treasurer, presented the 2008 amended and 2009 proposed budgets for the Capital Outlay – Health Unit fund.

No action was taken.

Cammack presented the 2008 amended and 2009 proposed budgets for the Administration Fund. Discussion included the possibility of opening a Special Projects Coordinator position after the first of the year.

No action was taken.

Cammack presented a document entitled "Investment Policy & Procedures" that has been prepared for the Jury's approval. The Jury needs to have a policies and procedures in place before investments can be purchased.

No action was taken.

Cammack presented the 2008 amended and 2009 proposed budgets for the Public Works Reserved Funds fund.

No action was taken.

Ms. Doretha Bennett, Workforce Investment Board Director, presented the 2008 amended and 2009 proposed budgets for WIA – Adult, WIA – Youth, WIA – Dislocated

Workers, STEP, WIA – Administration, Community Response Initiative (CRI), Dislocated Worker – Emergency Grant, and Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA).

Mr. Shane Smiley arrived at the meeting at 4:12.

Mr. Walt Caldwell arrived at the meeting at 4:18.

Bennett announced that the CRI program had been sent a memo stating that the program had six (6) months remaining.

No action was taken on the budgets.

Caldwell requested that the Health Unit budget be revisited. He had questions regarding the presentation made earlier in the meeting when he was not present.

Jurors discussed the history of the Health Unit and the Police Jury's responsibilities for it. Discussion also included the various requests that had been made for the Jury to include in the budget.

Cammack said that there was a truck within the Courthouse Maintenance fund that could be transferred to the Health Unit. The department would pay the general fund for it.

The Jury will also look at hiring someone to answer the telephones as its employee versus getting a temporary employee through a temporary employment agency as had been requested by McAdams.

Cammack would also check with Mr. Bill Land regarding the renovations/remodeling project.

There was no other business to come before the group and the meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.