

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
WASHINGTON PARISH POLICE JURY
HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1988

The Washington Parish Police Jury met in Special Session on Wednesday, September 21, 1988 at 4:00 P.M., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Franklinton, Louisiana.

President Billy Wayne Rester called the meeting to order and Chaplain Matthew Tate gave the Invocation.

Secretary Faye Crain called the roll and present were: Glen Sheridan, John Dodds, Monroe McElveen, Matthew Tate, Murle Sumrall, David Galloway, Larue Martin, Billy Wayne Rester, Nathan Forrest and Melvin Keith.

Absent were: Jerry Brumfield, Chris Jenkins, Dennis Kates and Johnny Crain.

President Rester stated the purpose of the meeting is to discuss calling a referendum for the Enhanced 911 Communication District.

Attorney Rusty Knight representing the Communication District stated if the people want this service they will vote it in and if they don't want it they want vote for it. Mr. Knight stated that South Central Bell gets one percent commission fee and that is it. Mr. Knight stated that he has prepared a resolution for the placing of a proposition on the November 8th ballott.

Mr. Knight read the following Proposition:

Shall the Washington Parish Communications District (the "District") be authorized to levy an emergency telephone service charge not to exceed five percent (5%) of the tariff rate for local telephone service supplied within the District, for the purpose of establishing the enhanced 911 emergency telephone system; provided, that the service charge shall be imposed only upon the amount of the tariff rate for exchange access lines or their equivalent, that charges for telephone equipment and long distance service shall be exempt from the five percent (5%) service charge imposed herein, and that exchange access facilities in excess of one hundred per person per location shall be exempt from the five percent (5%) service charge imposed herein; said five percent (5%) service charge to be levied from such effective date as may be established by the Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the District, and continue until such time as the service charge is reduced or suspended by the Police Jury or an increase is authorized by the electorate of the District, all as provided by R.S.33:9101 to 9106, inclusive, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended?

On motion of John Dodds, seconded by Matthew Tate, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION # _____

A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE WASHINGTON PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT, TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF AN EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE CHARGE NOT TO EXCEED FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF THE TARIFF RATE FOR LOCAL TELEPHONE SERVICE SUPPLIED WITHIN THE DISTRICT, MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Washington, acting as the governing authority of the Washington Parish Communications District:

SECTION 1. That, subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission and under the authority conferred by R. S. 33:9101 to 9106, inclusive, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, a special election be and the same is hereby called and ordered to be held in Washington Parish Communications District (the "District"), on Tuesday, November 8, 1988, between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R. S. 18:541), and that at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION

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be established by the Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the District, and continue until such time as the service charge is reduced or suspended by the Police Jury or an increase is authorized by the electorate of the District, all as provided by R. S. 33:9101 to 9106, inclusive, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended?

SECTION 2. That there shall be published in "The Era Leader", a weekly newspaper published in Franklinton, Parish of Washington, Louisiana, and being the official journal of this Police Jury, once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for election, notice of said election, which notice shall be substantially in accordance with the Notice of Special Election annexed hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated therein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full. There shall additionally be published in the "Bogalusa Daily News" a like publication, to commence immediately, in order to commence said publication more than forty-five (45) days prior to said election, and to be published on one occasion prior to publication in "The Era Leader".

SECTION 3. That this Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the District, shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Washington Parish Courthouse, Courthouse Building, Washington Street, Franklinton, Louisiana, on Tuesday, December 13, 1988, at six o'clock (6:00) p.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.

SECTION 4. That the polling places set forth in the aforesaid notice of Special Election and situated within the corporate limits of the District be and the same are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be the same persons as those designated to hold the general election for certain public officials to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 1988, in accordance with Section 1286 (B) of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R. S. 18:1286 (B)).

SECTION 5. That the officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in compliance with Section 1287 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R.S. 18:1287) shall hold the said special election as herein provided, shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of this Police Jury to be held on Tuesday, December 13, 1988, and that the compensation of said officers be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum prescribed by law. All registered voters in the District are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines shall be used thereat.

SECTION 6. That the Secretary-Treasurer of this Police Jury be and she is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election the necessary equipment, forms and other election paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of such election.

SECTION 7. That certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines and the Registrar of Voters in and for the Parish of Washington, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. That application be and the same is hereby formally made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid special election as herein provided, and in the event the aforesaid Proposition is carried, for its further consent and authority to levy the emergency telephone service charge provided for in said Proposition in the amount, for the purpose and for the period specified; and that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Police Jury, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: Larue Martin, Monroe McElveen, Matthew Tate,
Glen Sheridan, David Galloway, Billy Wayne
Rester, John Dodds, Murle Sumrall, Nathan
Forrest and Melvin Keith


NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Johnny Crain, Chris Jenkins, Dennis Kates
and Jerry Brumfield

NOT VOTING: None

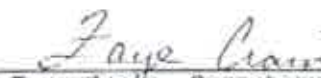
And the resolution was declared adopted on this the 21st day of September, 1988.


Billy W. Rester, President

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a motion adopted at a special meeting held at Franklinton, Louisiana, on the 21st day of September, 1988.

Witness my hand and the seal
of the Parish of Washington
on the 21st day of September, 1988.


Faye Crain, Secretary