

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY  
MINUTES  
BENTON, LOUISIANA  
March 17, 2004  
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on this 17th day of March, 2004, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Rick Avery, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Eddy Shell and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jeff Rogers. The Secretary-Treasurer, Cheryl Martin, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

Mr. William Altimus	Mr. Winfred Johnston
Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Hank Meachum
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Henry Mitchell
Mr. Brad Cummings	Mr. Jeff Rogers
Mr. Jerome Darby	Mr. Eddy Shell
Mr. Wayne Hammack	Mr. Jesse Williams

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Others present were Mr. Bill Altimus, Parish Administrator; Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney; Mr. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Engineer; Cheryl Martin, Secretary-Treasurer.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Shell, to adopt the minutes of the February 4, 2004 regular meeting, as published. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to adopt the minutes of the February 18, 2004 regular meeting, as published. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to amend the agenda to add Mr. James Harris and to add Mr. L. E. Williams. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. James Harris discussed the proposed gating of the Olde Oaks Subdivision, stating that due to a need for additional space, relocation of the gate is being considered. Mr. Harris stated that they proposed to locate the gate further down Hal Sutton Drive for ample room. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that the gates were planned in 1999 in the original masterplan for Olde Oaks and that he would like to meet with Mr. Harris at the site. He stated that the required certificate of insurance and the application fee of \$100 has been provided.

**Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the request for operation of an entrance gate to restrict and/or regulate vehicular access in Olde Oaks Subdivision, subject to approval by the Parish Engineer of the proposed gate location. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE NO. 3924

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF A SECURITY GATE SYSTEM IN OLDE OAKS SUBDIVISION, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PLACEMENT OF SUCH ENCROACHMENT UPON HAL SUTTON DRIVE AND OLDE OAKS DRIVE, LOCATED IN SECTIONS 22 AND 23, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 17th day of March, 2004, that in accordance with Ordinance No. 3504 of August 13, 1997, it does hereby approve the placement of a security access gate system upon Hal Sutton Drive and Olde Oaks Drive, Olde Oaks Subdivision, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 17th day of March, 2004.

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Mr. L. E. Williams, 168 Falcon Drive, requested improvements on Falcon Drive, advising that mowing and general road maintenance is needed. He stated that there are now 50 homes along Falcon Drive and no improvements to the road have been made in a long time.

Mr. Williams further requested that the police jury consider clearing and possibly cutting a tree on Vanceville Road near the culvert at Willow Chute Bayou. Mr. Williams stated that the brush and this tree are causing limited sight for motorists and has created a safety hazard. Mr. Cathcart, Public Works Director, stated that he will determine if the area is within the parish right-of-way, and if so, will have parish crews clean and remove the brush.

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Mr. Vince DeFatta, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., stated that after review and tabulation of the bids received on March 3, 2004, for the General Contract for construction of Bossier Parish Juvenile Detention Center, Phase II, it is recommended that the low bid of Integrity, Inc., in the total amount of \$381,400.00 be accepted. He stated that this amount represents the lump sum base bid and all unit prices. **Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to accept the low bid of Integrity, Inc., for the General Contract for construction of Bossier Parish Juvenile Detention Center, Phase II, as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Altimus advised that the City of Bossier City will pay one-half of the cost of this project. Bid results are as follows:

Carter Construction Co., Inc.

Lump Sum Bid	\$417,918.00
Unit price per drilled shaft	\$ 420.00 each
Unit price per cubic yard of concrete	\$ 140.00 cu.yd.

Boggs Construction

Lump Sum Bid	\$398,400.00
Unit price per drilled shaft	\$ 200.00 each
Unit price per cubic yard of concrete	\$ 100.00 cu.yd.

Integrity, Inc.

Lump Sum Bid	\$374,900.00
Unit price per drilled shaft	\$ 180.00 each
Unit price per cubic yard of concrete	\$ 67.00 cu.yd.
<u>Southern Commercial Construction, LLC</u>	
Lump Sum Bid	\$445,000.00
Unit price per drilled shaft	\$ 168.00 each
Unit price per cubic yard of concrete	\$ 75.00 cu.yd.
<u>Thomson General Contractors</u>	
Lump Sum Bid	\$385,000.00
Unit price per drilled shaft	\$ 200.00 each
Unit price per cubic yard of concrete	\$ 400.00 cu.yd.
<u>Pro-Build Construction, Inc.</u>	
Lump Sum Bid	\$451,148.00
Unit price per drilled shaft	\$ 119.00 each
Unit price per cubic yard of concrete	\$ 75.00 cu.yd.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to accept the low bid of Scott Construction Equipment Co., of LA, LLC, in the amount of \$9,972.83, for the purchase of one new 2004 model 24-foot trailer for the Bossier Parish Highway Department, in accordance with bids received on February 18, 2004. Motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Scott Construction Equipment Co., of LA, LLC	\$ 9,972.83
Nortrax	\$10,900.00
H & E Equipment Services, LLC	\$11,750.00

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Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that in reviewing bids received for the purchase of two 2004 model motor graders for the highway department, it has been determined that the low bidder does not meet bid specifications. He stated that it is recommended that the bid be awarded to Louisiana Machinery, the next responsive low bidder. **Motion was made by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to accept the bid of Louisiana Machinery in the amount of \$136,978.00 each, for the purchase of two 2004 model motor graders for the Bossier Parish Highway Department, in accordance with bids received on February 18, 2004. Motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Louisiana Machinery	\$136,978.00 each
Nortrax	No Bid
Scott Construction Equipment Co., of LA, LLC	\$118,390.00 each
H & E Equipment Services, LLC	\$284,000.00 (for both)

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**Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to accept the low bid of H & E Equipment Services, LLC, in the amount of \$61,000.00 for the purchase of one new 2004 model hydraulic track-type excavator for the Bossier Parish Highway Department, in accordance with bids received on February 19, 2004. Motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Louisiana Machinery	\$79,276.00
Scott Construction Equipment Co., of LA, LLC	\$67,495.00
H & E Equipment Services, LLC	\$61,000.00
Nortrax	No Bid

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider a request to rescind the abandonment of a dedicated road right-of-way located north off Adner Road, in Section 3, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Altimus advised jurors that he has provided them with a copy of a letter expressing the opinion that the October 4, 2000 abandonment is legal and binding.

Mr. Ron Mitchell and Mr. David Poston addressed the jury. Mr. Poston requested that the abandonment of this right-of-way be rescinded, advising that he feels the abandonment was based on erroneous information. He stated that Petty Lane has been at this location and recognized as a road since 1955. Mr. Ron Mitchell stated that since the right-of-way is no longer publicly dedicated, he is unable to sell or refinance his home, and no longer has access to his property.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that the police jury is very limited in its ability to reverse the abandonment, advising that it must be shown that the original request for abandonment was presented to the jury under purposeful fraud. He stated that the only other option available is for the police jury to expropriate the required right-of-way for a public road.

Ms. Linda Marchand and Mr. Richard Kilburn, landowners along Petty Lane, advised of problems in accessing their property since the abandonment of the public right-of-way.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to schedule a public hearing on April 21, 2004, to initiate proceedings for the expropriation of right-of-way along an existing gravel road located north off Adner Road in Section 3, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider a request of Cingular Wireless, LLC, for approval to locate a 350' guyed communication tower on property located in Section 27, Township 22 North, Range 13 West, Parcel 1-B, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Guy Stout, Stout & Company, LLC, stated that they are in the process of finalizing all State requirements at this time. There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to approve the request of Cingular Wireless, LLC, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider a request of Cingular Wireless, LLC, for approval to locate a 350' guyed communication tower on property located in Section 7, Township 23 North, Range 11 West, Parcel 4AX,

Bossier Parish, LA. There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to approve the request of Cingular Wireless, LLC, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Indian Mounds, Unit No. 2, located in Section 31, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA. **Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby, to table this matter for consideration at the April 7, 2004 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court, located in Sections 17 and 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Jeff Raley, Smith and Raley, Inc., and Mr. Mike Boggs, developer, addressed the jury. Mr. Raley stated that the proposed development is to be served by the Bossier City water system, and that a community sewerage treatment plant is proposed.

Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that the proposed subdivision is a Planned Unit Development (PUD) with 20-foot building set-backs. He stated that he understands that the development has been approved by both the Levee Board and the Health Department, but that he has not yet received a letter from the health department. There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court, as presented, subject to receipt of a letter of approval from the Bossier Parish Health Department.**

There was discussion on the motion. Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that walkways and open areas are planned and the MPC feels the development meets the requirements for a Planned Unit Development.

Mr. Ford stated that he has been advised of parking problems in the development of The Colony, which is also a PUD development, as the streets are all 60 feet wide. Mr. Marsiglia stated that he would like to see requirements for off-street parking areas in PUD developments, and stated that these could be required under existing PUD regulations. He stated that PUD developments are becoming very common due to less expensive smaller lots which make it more affordable for the buyer. Mr. Cochran stated that he agrees off-street parking areas should be considered.

**Votes were cast on Mr. Cochran's motion to approve the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court, as presented, subject to receipt of a letter of approval from the Bossier Parish Health Department. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to schedule a public hearing on April 21, 2004, to consider an amendment to Bossier Parish Subdivision Regulations to require a homeowners association in all subdivision developments outside Bossier City. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the replat of Cypress Shores, Unit No. 2, located in Section 23, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that the Benton-Parish MPC is aware of the proposal but has not seen the plat. **Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Shell, to table this matter, to be considered at the April 7, 2004 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Irvin Grant, Supervisor at the Bossier Parish Juvenile Detention Center, presented statistics for the facility for the month of February, 2004. There was discussion of the use of electronic ankle monitors. Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, was requested to encourage the juvenile judge to consider the use of these devices in sentencing.

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No action was taken on the matter of an appointment to the Board of Commissioners for Bossier Parish Fire District No. 6.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to ratify Mr. Ford's signature on right-of-way deeds in connection with the acquisition of right-of-way along Longhorn Drive. Motion carried unanimously.**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 17th day of March, 2004, that Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., P.E., Parish Engineer, be and is hereby authorized to execute on its behalf, right-of-way deeds for the acquisition of right-of-way along Longhorn Drive, Bossier Parish, LA.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Altimus. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 17th day of March, 2004.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER

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**Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Darby, to adopt an ordinance to officially accept Longhorn Drive in the Pecan Grove Subdivision, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance. Motion carried unanimously.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3925**

AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 94, SECTION 94-7, OF THE BOSSIER PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES OF BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, ACCEPTING THE GRAVEL PORTION OF LONGHORN DRIVE INTO THE PARISH ROAD MAINTENANCE SYSTEM FOR PERMANENT MAINTENANCE.

WHEREAS, the District 1 Representative has requested the inclusion pursuant to said ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Police Jury deemed it necessary to incorporate the gravel portion of Longhorn Drive as it is in desperate need of maintenance to provide safe access for school buses, mail carriers, and the citizens of Bossier Parish.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in due legal and regular session convened, that in accordance with Chapter 94, Section 94-7, of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, the following road be and is hereby accepted into the Bossier Parish Road Maintenance System for

permanent maintenance:

LONGHORN DRIVE - 0.20 MILE

Gravel portion of Longhorn Drive located in Pecan Grove Subdivision, Bossier Parish, LA.

Having met the requirements of Chapter 94, Section 94-7, the gravel portion of Longhorn Drive is incorporated into the Parish Maintenance System.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon the following vote, it was duly adopted on this 17th day of March, 2004.

Yeas: Mr. Altimus, Mr. Avery, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Meachum, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Shell, Mr. Williams.

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: None

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**Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to approve the request of J-W Operating Company/Cohort Energy Company for advertising for an oil, gas and mineral lease on police jury property located in Section 6, Township 16 North, Range 10 West, Bossier Parish, and to authorize the State Mineral Board to handle said lease. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 17th day of March, 2004, that it does hereby request and authorize the State Mineral Board to advertise for and handle an oil, gas and mineral lease on property owned by the Bossier Parish Police Jury located in Section 6, Township 16 North, Range 10 West, Bossier Parish, LA, being more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract of land belonging to and not under mineral lease from the Bossier Parish Police Jury, being more particularly described as follows:

All of the rights, title and interest in and to all streets and roads owned by and not under mineral lease from the Bossier Parish Police Jury, lying within the boundaries of Section 6, Township 16 North, Range 10 West, Bossier Parish, LA, excluding beds and bottoms of all navigable waters, containing approximately 11.019 acres. All bearings, distances and coordinates used herein refer to the Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927 (North Zone).

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Meachum. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 17th day of March, 2004.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to adopt a resolution supporting AmSouth Bank and allowing AmSouth Bank to receive the local benefits of the Enterprise Zone Program. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION STATING THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY'S ENDORSEMENT OF AMSOUTH BANK TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BENEFITS OF THE LOUISIANA ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Act 901 of 1981, Act 337 of 1982, Act 433 of 1987, Act 1024 of 1992, Act 581 of 1995, and Act 624 and Act 647 of 1997 state the requirements of Louisiana's Enterprise Zone Program; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program offers significant incentives for economic development to some of the most distressed areas in Bossier Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Economic Development designated Census Tract 108.98 Block Group 1 in Bossier Parish as "Enterprise Zone" eligible based on enabling legislation R.S. 51.21.1787-1791); and

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury states that this endorsement is in agreement with the Overall Economic Development Plan for the Parish of Bossier; and

WHEREAS, the **attached Enterprise Zone map has been marked** to show the location of the business being endorsed; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program

1. To participate in the Enterprise Zone Program.
2. To assist the Department in evaluating progress made in any Enterprise Zone within its jurisdiction.
3. To rebate all local sales/use taxes, except those that are dedicated to the repayment of a bond issue, on the purchase of eligible construction materials, machinery, and equipment purchased for this project and used by the business **permanently on that site.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 17th day of March, 2004, that AmSouth Bank, and their project South Bossier, Enterprise Zone Application #20040090 is endorsed to participate in the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any provision or item of this resolution is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 17th day of March, 2004.

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Mr. Altimus presented pictures of the maximum security jail construction site, advising that an owner's meeting is

scheduled tomorrow at 1:30 p.m., at the jail site.

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Mr. Altimus reminded jurors of the informational meeting regarding the proposed three-year drawdown of Lake Bistineau which is to be held today at 6:30 p.m. in the Bossier City Council Chambers.

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Mr. Altimus advised that the Bossier City-Parish MPC will hold a public hearing on the proposed North Bossier Park at 6:30 p.m., March 18, 2004, at the Bossier Parish Library History Center.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Shell, to declare adjudicated property at Lot 11, Block G, Cumberland, and Improvements, Bossier City, LA, as surplus, and to authorize the advertising for bids for the sale of said property, bids to be received April 21, 2004. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Altimus stated that the minimum bid of \$1,692.16 is for parish taxes due only.

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Mr. Altimus reported that Ms. Susie Morgan has submitted applications for Federal funding for parish roads.

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Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, discussed the request for acceptance of the streets and drainage in Olde Oaks Subdivision, Unit No. 2, into the parish road system. Mr. Ford stated that a maintenance bond was obtained in 1999 on the streets in Unit No. 2, but never forwarded to the police jury office. He stated that he has been provided the results of the required core testing, which was done by the developer, and that three small areas need patching. The developer has agreed to do all necessary repairs. The streets and drainage in Olde Oaks Subdivision, Unit Nos. 1 and 3 were previously accepted into the parish road system. **Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to accept the streets and drainage in Olde Oaks Subdivision, Unit No. 2, upon completion by the developer of all repairs, and without the requirement of a second maintenance bond at this time. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 17th day of March, 2004, has received a request that the parish accept into its system for permanent maintenance, 200' of Fairway Circle, 230' of Olde Oak Drive, 3,842' of Golf Club Drive, and 590' of Eagle Ridge, in Olde Oaks Subdivision, Unit No. 2, Bossier Parish, LA; and

WHEREAS, The said streets and drainage were completed in 1999 and have been repaired to meet all specifications of the Bossier Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, the contractor has verified that a two-year maintenance bond guaranteeing against failure of said streets and drainage as to material and workmanship as required by Chapter 110, Section 110-201, of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, was obtained on September 22, 1999.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby accept into the parish maintenance system for continuous maintenance, 200' of Fairway Circle, 230' of Olde Oak Drive, 3,842' of Golf Club Drive, and 590' of Eagle Ridge, in Olde Oaks Subdivision, Unit No. 2, Bossier Parish, LA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Mitchell. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 17th day of March, 2004.

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Mr. Ford advised that he has received a request for acceptance of the streets and drainage in East Pointe Estates located at the corner of Crouch and Merritt Roads. He stated that the required maintenance bond and core testing results have been provided. Mr. Ford stated that the riding surface of the these streets is in bad need of repair, and that Bowman's Grading and Asphalt has agreed to level the streets and provide a 1½ inch overlay prior to acceptance of the streets by the parish. Mr. Ford stated that he is now requiring that plans for street construction be provided on all new developments.

**Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Williams, to delay acceptance of the streets and drainage in East Pointe Estates until completion of all street repairs. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Rogers, to authorize the President to execute the Cash Sale Deed for the purchase of right-of-way (Parcel P-43) owned by Richard Allison, Cypress Enterprises, Inc., for the Airline Drive Expansion Project. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 17th day of March, 2004, that Rick Avery, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on its behalf, the Cash Sale Deed in connection with the purchase of right-of-way (Parcel P-43) owned by Richard Allison, Cypress Enterprises, Inc., for the Airline Drive Expansion Project.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Rogers. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 17th day of March, 2004.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to authorize the President to execute a Letter Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Richard Allison, Cypress Enterprises, Inc., for the parish's removal of a five-strand barbed wire fence within Parcel P-43, in connection with the Airline Drive Expansion Project. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 17th day of March, 2004, that Rick Avery, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on its behalf, a Letter Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Richard Allison, Cypress Enterprises, Inc., for the parish's removal of a five-strand barbed

wire fence within Parcel P-43, in connection with the Airline Drive Expansion Project.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Altimus. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 17th day of March, 2004.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on April 7, 2004, to consider approval of the revised plat of the proposed development of Gray Duck Subdivision located in Section 5, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public hearing on April 7, 2004, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of The Lakes, Unit No. 2, located in Sections 3 and 4, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, and in Sections 33 and 34, Township 19 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public hearing on April 7, 2004, to consider the request of Mr. Steve Gross for approval of the plat of the proposed subdivision of a tract of land located on Padgett Road into three lots, located in Section 12, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Shell, that Mr. Steve Gross is to be asked to attend the public hearing schedule on April 7, 2004, regarding his request for approval of the subdivision of a tract of land located on Padgett Road. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Martin provided jurors with a recap of riverboat revenues and expenditures for the period 1994-2003.

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Mr. Gary Cathcart, Public Works Director, reported that highway department employees are working on roads in the Road Program, and stated that two roads are ready for overlay. He stated that mosquito control efforts have begun, advising that 43 locations have been larvacided.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to amend the agenda to adjourn into executive session to discuss the matter of Bossier Parish Police Jury vs. City of Shreveport and Harrah's and Hollywood Casinos, and to authorize the Parish Engineer to attend the executive session. Motion carried, with the following vote recorded:**

**AYES: Mr. Altimus, Mr. Avery, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Meachum, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Shell, Mr. Williams.**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**ABSENT: None**

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The meeting was reconvened and called to order by the President. Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, advised of a request from Village Water System that the police jury expropriate right-of-way along Hilltop Road. Mr. Jackson recommended that the jury decline this request. **Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Shell, to take no action on the request of Village Water System. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, that Mr. Johnston will contribute funding from his school recreation funds to Plain Dealing High School and to Plain Dealing Elementary for gym equipment. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Mitchell advised of a complaint regarding a dirt pit at the dead-end of Ginger Drive. He stated that dirt is being removed and residents in the area feel this may cause flooding. Mr. Mitchell is meet with Mr. David Poston, owner, at the site.

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Mr. Meachum advised that he has received petitions requesting the acceptance of Debra Street and Vantage Point Road into the parish road system. Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that there are problems in determining ownership in the acquisition of right-of-way needed to accept a road, advising that those who sign the petition may not be the actual property owner. He stated that the time required in researching ownership has increased, as well as expenses for this service.

Mr. Rogers requested a report on expenses to date for work required in acquiring right-of-way for road acceptance. Mr. Meachum stated that regulations which allow a juror to accept a certain number of road miles per year into the parish road system have been a big plus for rural jurors. **Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Shell, to authorize preparation of ordinances accepting Debra Street and Vantage Point Road into the Bossier Parish road system for permanent maintenance. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Darby reported on the Police Jury Association Convention held in Alexandria March 11-13, 2004, urging jurors to consider serving on the Police Jury Association's Resolution Committee .

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**Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve the appointment of Mr. Justin Morgan Johnson to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission Board of Directors, filling the unexpired term of Mr. Louis Baker, term to expire January, 2007. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Altimus reported on the Police Jury Association Convention, advising that it was openly noted that the financial burden placed on local governments by the criminal court system is unbearable.

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Mr. Rogers asked the status of a property standards violation at 641 Chandler Road, advising that he has received another complaint.

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There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 17th day of March, 2004, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 5:05 p.m.

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