

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
 BENTON, LOUISIANA
 MINUTES
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 6th day of September, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jerome Darby, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Eddy Shell and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Henry Mitchell. The Secretary-Treasurer, Ms. 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

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

Mr. Bobby Masters and Mr. Glenn Horton, Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department, requested a Quietus on the 2005 tax roll. The following recap for the period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, was presented for consideration:

Tax Payer Column of 2005 Tax Roll	\$ 52,455,344.59
Adjustments (LTC's, SHE's, SPL' s, etc.)	\$ <309,095.70>
TOTAL ADJUSTED TAX ROLL:	\$ 52,146,248.89
Protest Money Collected - not distributed	\$ <4,034,516.68>

TOTAL COLLECTED:	\$<47,998,735.34>
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UNCOLLECTED:	\$ 112,996.87
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The Uncollected Balance consists of:	
1) Bankruptcies	\$ 5,794.81
2) Movables, Mobile Homes	\$ 106,493.23

	\$ 112,288.04
Adjudications (tax sale properties)	\$ 708.83

	\$ 112,996.87

99.78% of the 2005 adjusted Tax Roll was collected.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to grant a Quietus on the 2005 Tax Roll. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kenneth Weaver, Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department, discussed the matter of inmate medical insurance. Mr. Meachum stated that he attended a workshop during the recent NACo Conference regarding the possibility of charging inmate medical fees to their insurance company if such coverage is available. Mr. Weaver stated that he has contacted the company offering to file the inmate medical claims and process insurance payments. He stated that because Bossier Parish has access to LSU Medical Center, which is a charity hospital, this service would be of no benefit to the parish. Mr. Weaver stated that the cost for the insurance processing service is \$15,000 per month. He stated that the current contract with LSU Medical Center has been very cost effective for the parish.

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to authorize the advertising for a six-month supply of hot mix for the Bossier Parish Highway Department. There was discussion on the motion. Mr. Altimus stated that the current supplier has advised that it will be difficult for bidders to provide a firm six-month price as they are currently only able to receive a 30-day price guarantee from their supplier. He recommended that an escalation clause be added to hot mix specifications to allow price adjustments accordingly, and asked that the staff be allowed to review this matter prior to bid advertising. **Votes were cast on Mr. Hammack's motion to authorize the advertising for bids for a six-month supply of hot mix upon completion of amended specifications as recommended, with a bid date to be determined when revised specifications are complete. Motion carried unanimously.** It was recommended that specifications on gasoline and petroleum products also be amended to include an escalation clause.

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Indian Mounds Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 31, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA. The proposed development is located along LA Highway 157 and Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that the LA Department of Transportation and Development

has requested that a service road be constructed with only two driveways onto to Highway 157. Mr. Ford stated that the required service road must be built to parish standards. He stated that DOTD approval is now required for developments proposed along a State highway. There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Indian Mounds Subdivision, Unit No. 2. Motion carried unanimously.**

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider the application of Karla Omberg Sava to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located in Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential Low Density District, for a mobile home subdivision on the east side of Bodcau Station Road. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC. Ms. Karla Sava was present and advised that the zoning amendment is requested to allow two mobile homes on the property. She stated that one home is for her, and her son will occupy the other one. Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that to allow the placement of two mobile homes on a tract this small, the R-LD zoning classification is necessary.

Mr. Rogers discussed the condition of the property and stated that it is in violation of property standards regulations. Ms. Sava stated that she and her son are working to clean up the property. Mr. Mitchell stated that he is not in favor of approving the zoning requested until the property is cleaned up. Mr. Altimus stated that the property is unsafe and a health hazard and needs to be cleaned up. He recommended that it be condemned in accordance with property standards regulations, and authorize highway department crews go out and clean up this property using the grappler truck. Mr. Altimus stated that there have been complaints about the condition of this property for a long time.

Ms. Jo Crone, 111 Avenida, stated that the property is located at the entrance to Espanita Subdivision and stated that clean up of the property has been a very slow process. She stated that residents of the subdivision want the property cleaned up and all old cars removed.

Mr. Larry McGowan, 105 Espanita Circle, stated that the property is in very bad condition and is a health hazard.

Ms. Pruddie Wilkins, 110 Avenida, stated that the Espanita Forest Subdivision area is a quiet neighborhood and that residents try to keep their property up. She stated that the Sava property is an eyesore and urged Ms. Sava to clean it up.

Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to table the public hearing to consider the application of Karla Omberg Sava for a zoning amendment, pending the correction of property standards violations at this location. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to schedule a condemnation hearing on September 20, 2006, to consider condemnation of property at 121, 123 and 125 Bodcau Station Road, Haughton, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the site plan/plat for a proposed CVS Pharmacy to be located at 994 Highway 80 East, Haughton, LA, in Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Brad Gosslee, Dowling, Gosslee, Beauvais & Associates, and Mr. J. J. Keith, Mossy Oak Properties, were present.

Mr. Gosslee stated that the proposal provides for one driveway on Highway 80 and two along Bodcau Station Road. He stated that the Department of Transportation and Development has provided a letter approving the proposed driveways, and stated that Village Water System has provided a letter advising that they will service the proposed facility. Mr. Ford stated that he has reviewed the drainage impact report and sees no problems.

Mr. Rogers expressed concern regarding the traffic flow at the entrance off Highway 80. Mr. Larry McGowan, 105 Espanita Circle, stated that he is also concerned about the traffic at the driveway off Highway 80. Mr. Cochran suggested making the driveway off Highway 80 an entrance access only.

After discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rogers, to approve the site plan/plat of Bodcau Station Commercial Subdivision for a CVS Pharmacy, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to schedule a public hearing on October 4, 2006, to consider approval of the application of Evergreen Ministries, Inc., for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of an approximately 3.18 acre tract of

land in Section 9, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, 2110 Highway 80, Haughton, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to B-2, Limited Business District, for a church office facility. (north side of Highway 80, east of Bellevue Road). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public hearing on October 4, 2006, to consider the application of the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission to revise Article 5, Section 5.6.1, Special Exception Uses, in the Unified Development Code, to allow a separate residence on tracts without the need for platting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to schedule a public hearing on October 4, 2006, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Autumn Creek, Unit No. 3. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Shell, to schedule a public hearing on October 4, 2006, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed re-plat of Lots 41 and 42, Lintwin Hills, Unit 1-A, Bossier Parish, LA (519 Calvin Drive, Benton, LA) Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to schedule a public hearing on October 4, 2006, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Belle Rose at Legacy, Unit 2, located in Section 22, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to schedule a public hearing on October 4, 2006, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Redwood Place at Legacy, Unit 2, located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public

hearing on October 4, 2006, to consider the application of Gulf States Towers II, LLC, for the installation of a wireless communications facility with a tower 195' in height on an R-A tract, located on a 0.07 acre tract of land in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. (west side of Airline Drive, south of Kingston Road behind Club Car Golf Cart Sales) Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the engineer's report on this project is to be forwarded to the parish attorney for review.

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Hall Land & Timber Subdivision, located at Highway 157 and Shiloh Road, in Section 7, Township 23 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that a copy of the subdivision covenants has been provided and as previously requested, access to Lot 4 will be off Shiloh Road.

There was discussion of street lights for the development. Mr. Ford stated that street lights along the highway and yard lights which will be paid for by the property owners are proposed. He stated that the yard lights will be installed on a utility pole. Mr. Rogers asked who will enforce the covenants and who is responsible for ensuring that the lights are installed. Mr. John French, engineer, stated that it is the landowner's responsibility to install the light. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that parish regulations require the street lights but the police jury has no guarantee that they are maintained indefinitely. Mr. Avery recommended that the formation of a homeowners association be required, stating that they should have the responsibility of paying the usage fees for the street lights. After discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Hall Land & Timber Subdivision, subject to receipt of amended covenants which require the establishment of a homeowners association.**

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to accept the streets and drainage in St. Charles Court, Unit No. 2, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 6th day of September, 2006, has received a request from Brushy Creek Land Company, LLC, that the parish accept into its system for permanent maintenance the streets and drainage in St. Charles Court, Unit No. 2, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the said streets and drainage have been completed in accordance with the specifications of the Bossier Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, a two-year maintenance bond has been executed in favor of the Bossier Parish Police Jury to guarantee 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that it does accept the two-year maintenance bond of Blount Bros. Construction, Inc., for maintenance, including labor and materials, for the above captioned streets and drainage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby accept into the parish maintenance system for continuous maintenance, the streets and drainage located in St. Charles Court, Unit No. 2, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cummings. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of September, 2006.

CHERYL G. MARTIN
SECRETARY-TREASURER

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to authorize the President to execute documents in connection with the FY 2006 LCDBG Street Improvements Projects in the East Benton Subdivision and in Plain Dealing. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of September, 2006, that Jerome Darby, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, documents in connection with the FY 2006 LCDBG Street Improvement Projects in the East Benton Subdivision and in Plain Dealing.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of September, 2006.

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Mr. Altimus provided information on the number of new residential construction permits issued in the month of August.

Mr. Altimus reported that two used buses for the prisoner work crew program have been located in Alexandria for a price of \$50,000 each. Mr. Bobby Masters, Bossier Sheriff's Department, stated that the Sheriff's Department will purchase one of the buses and advised that each bus has some new warranty time remaining. It was recommended that the purchase of an extended warranty be considered. After discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to proceed with the purchase of a used bus for the prisoner work crew program, and to inquire about a possible extended warranty. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Altimus advised of a letter of appreciation from the Town of Plain Dealing for the jury's assistance in the clean-up of storm debris.

Mr. Altimus stated that he has received a response from the City of Shreveport regarding the

possible establishment of a household hazardous waste collection site in Bossier Parish, advising that it is not recommended. He stated that the cost could be as much as \$30,000 per collection site. After discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Williams, to approve a contribution of \$8,000 to the household hazardous waste collection event sponsored by the City of Shreveport on September 16 at the State Fairgrounds in Shreveport. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Altimus advised of a request from Eagle Water, Inc., that the police jury donate a 40-foot servitude of ingress and egress located adjacent to Lots 29 and 30, Tall Timbers Subdivision, Unit No. 3, from Pine Cone Drive to a sewer pond. **Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to grant the servitude as requested, and to authorize Mr. Altimus to execute necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of September, 2006, that Bill Altimus, Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, all necessary documents in connection with the granting of a forty-foot servitude of ingress and egress adjacent to Lots 29 and 30, Tall Timbers Subdivision, Unit No. 3, from Pine Cone Drive to a sewer pond.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of September, 2006.

CHERYL G. MARTIN
SECRETARY-TREASURER

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Vince DeFatta presented Plan Change No. 6 on the new Benton Library project in an additional amount of \$10,384.00. He stated that the electrical wiring is not big enough to facilitate the heat pump unit and must be replaced. **Motion was made by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to approve Plan Change No. 6 on the new Benton Library project and to authorize the President to execute the document. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of September, 2006, that Jerome Darby, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Plan Change No. 6 on the new Benton Library construction project in an additional amount of \$10,384.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Altimus. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of September, 2006.

CHERYL G. MARTIN
SECRETARY-TREASURER

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford reviewed Change Order No. 17 on the courthouse renovation/addition project, advising that this change results in an additional \$21,089.24. **Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve Change Order No. 17 on the courthouse renovation/addition project, and to authorize the President to execute said change order. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of September, 2006, that Jerome Darby, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Change Order No. 17 on the courthouse renovation/addition project in an additional amount of \$21,089.24.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of September, 2006.

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Mr. Ford stated that the developer of the proposed River Bluff, Unit No. 3, has agreed to provide a letter of credit to assure the construction of a railroad crossing arm on Rebouche Road for River Bluff Subdivision. He stated that the letter of credit is to be used in the event that Federal or Union Pacific funding is not available. Mr. Ford stated that the developer has also agreed to provide funds for a left turn lane from Benton Road to Rebouche Road. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery,**

seconded by Mr. Rogers, to schedule a public hearing on October 4, 2006, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of River Bluff, Unit No. 3. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ford clarified that in the police jury's approval of Legacy Parks, Phase I, Units 1 and 2 on August 4, 2004, the approval of the proposed development of Redwood Place at Legacy, Units 1, 1A and 1B, Cattail Pointe at Legacy, Unit 1, Belle Rose at Legacy Unit 1, and the street dedication for Sawgrass Parkway was included.

Mr. Cathcart, Public Works Director, reported that approximately \$49,000 was received from the auction held at the highway department in August.

Mr. Cathcart stated that there is approximately .07 mile of road work remaining for the year in the road program. He reported on the construction of a bridge on Daleen Road.

Mr. Williams advised of the need for repair of a fence at East Pointe Subdivision at the corner of Crouch and Merritt Roads. **Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to prohibit the issuance of any construction permits to Total Properties, Inc., until the fence at East Pointe Subdivision is repaired. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Williams advised of complaints from motorists on Linton Road regarding striping paint on vehicles. Parish crews have been striping the road and Mr. Cathcart stated that cones are placed on the road and that signage is provided to make motorists aware of the wet paint. No action was taken.

Mr. Ford gave a brief update on the Merritt Road bridge project.

Mr. Cochran stated that the prescription drug card program is working well.

Mr. Mitchell reported that a September 11 memorial service will be held at the Bossier City Hall on Monday, September 11, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

It was reported that the owner of property at 389 Bodcau Station Road has been advised that the property must be cleaned up in accordance with property standards regulations.

Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, that Mr. Cummings and Mr. Mitchell will contribute \$750 each to Meadowview Elementary School, for a total of \$1,500 for field trips. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, that Mr. Avery and Mr. Altimus will contribute a total of \$799, to be divided equally, to Airline High School for a wrestling mat. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to remove Mr. Jackie Martin from the Board of Commissioners for Northeast Bossier Parish Fire District No. 5. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, reported that promotion of the proposition for an increase in the highway fund millage tax is going well.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of September, 2006, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 5:00 p.m.

CHERYL G. MARTIN
SECRETARY-TREASURER

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