

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 21st day of March, 2007, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Winfred Johnston, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Eddy Shell and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Darby. The Secretary-Treasurer, Ms. Cheryl Martin, called the roll, with the following members present:

Mr. William Altimus	Mr. Winfred Johnston
Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Hank Meachum
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Henry Mitchell
Mr. Brad Cummings, absent	Mr. Jeff Rogers, absent
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.

Motion was made by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Darby, to adopt the minutes of the February 7 and 21, 2007 regular meetings, as published. Motion carried unanimously.

Sealed bids were opened and read aloud for the sale of surplus property located at the South 50 feet of Lot 1, 2, Block 9, East McCormick Annex, Bossier City, Bossier Parish, LA (806 W. First Street, Bossier City, LA), as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Jodi and Donny Faires, Faires Plumbing	\$ 3,450.00
Robbie Bond	\$ 9,501.01
Yellowbird Investments, LLC	\$11,701.00

The minimum bid acceptable is \$3400.00. **Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to accept the bid of Yellowbird Investments, LLC, for the purchase of surplus property at the South 50 feet of Lot 1, 2, Block 9, East McCormick Annex, , 806 W. First Street, Bossier City, Bossier Parish, LA, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute the quitclaim deed. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 21st day of March, 2007, that Bill Altimus, Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a Quitclaim Deed to Yellowbird Investments, LLC, for the sale of surplus property at the South 50 feet of Lot 1, 2, Block 9, East McCormick Annex, 806 W. First Street, Bossier City, Bossier Parish, LA.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Meachum. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21st day of March, 2007.

CHERYL G. MARTIN
SECRETARY-TREASURER

WINFRED R. JOHNSTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider the application of Robert Aiello to the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located in Section 26, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence Agriculture District, to R-1, Single Family Residence District, for a residential subdivision along Linton Road just north of the Cypress Park entrance, south of Summit Drive. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission.

Mr. Kurt Nixon, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., spoke on behalf of the applicant advising that the proposed development will consist of 33 lots and will be served by the CBB Water System. He stated that individual sewer treatment plants are planned.

Mr. Lee Roy Surry, 138 Lilly Road, presented a map indicating an unnamed road on Mr. Aiello's property which he advised was used at one time to access homes located behind his property. Mr. Surry stated that he accesses his property via the Lilly Road, which is also located in part on the Aiello property. Mr. Nixon stated that the Lilly Road will remain as is and will provide access to these property owners. He stated that the unnamed road Mr. Surry is referring to no longer exists.

Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that the parish maintains the Lilly Road up to a gate at Mr. Surry's property. He further stated that there are two lots past Mr. Surry's property and he allows these landowners to access their property through the gate. Mr. Ford stated that as a result of the tornado of 1999, the unnamed road was left impassable and advised that on a recent inspection of the site, he was unable to tell where the road was located.

Mr. Ralph Eason stated that he owns property past Mr. Surry and that Mr. Surry allows him to access his property through the gate. Mr. Williams stated that if the unnamed road has been impassable for seven years and is now located on Mr. Aiello's property, Mr. Surry provides Mr. Eason access. He stated that the police jury can not force Mr. Aiello to allow access through his property on a road that no longer exists.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, requested that the police jury allow him time to research parish records to see if the unnamed road is a dedicated road. Mr. Aiello stated that the current survey of his property indicates that the Lilly Road is the only existing road. Mr. Surry indicated that he does not want the parish to assume maintenance of the Lilly Road past the gate.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Darby, to table this matter for a legal opinion by the Parish Attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider the application of Palmetto Group, LLC, to the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 12.788 acre tract of land located behind existing units of Palmetto Park Subdivision in Section 8, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence Agriculture District, to R-1, Single Family Residence District, for a residential subdivision.

Mr. Kurt Nixon, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., stated that the property was previously owned by Palmetto Country Club. He stated that the developer is making changes to the plat of the proposed subdivision development and requested that this matter be delayed.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Shell, to approve the application of the Palmetto Group, LLC, for a zoning amendment, as presented. Motion carried, with Mr. Williams abstaining from vote.**

ORDINANCE NO. 4146

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 922 OF 1981, THE BENTON-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION ZONING REGULATIONS, TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM R-A, RESIDENCE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened on this 21st day of March, 2007, that Ordinance No. 922 of 1981 of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District, to R-1, Single Family Residence District, on a tract of land located in Section 8, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, as follows: A certain tract of land containing 12.788 acres, more or less, situated in Section 8, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the northwest corner of Palmetto Park Subdivision, Unit No. 5, as recorded in Conveyance Book 1207, page 717, said point also being the southwest corner of Palmetto Park, Unit No. 2, as recorded in Conveyance Book 583, page 113, records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and proceed South 00° 31' 53" West along the west line of said Palmetto Park, Unit No. 5, and an extension thereof, a distance of 1151.29 feet to the approximate centerline of Flat River; thence leaving said west line proceed along said approximate centerline of Flat River the following two courses and distances: North 74° 55' 38" West a distance of 142.92 feet and North 78° 31' 48" West a distance of 114.56 feet; thence leaving said approximate centerline proceed North 08° 38' 24" East a distance of 108.56 feet; thence proceed North 20° 06' 04" West a distance of 70.30 feet; thence proceed North 66° 54' 01" West a distance of 23.54 feet; thence proceed North 54° 08' 37" West a distance of 44.66 feet; thence proceed North 47° 56' 30" West a distance of 18.28 feet; thence proceed North 41° 22' 43" West a distance of 18.69 feet; thence proceed North 33° 07' 45" West a distance of 14.22 feet; thence proceed North 15° 20' 18" West a distance of 14.29 feet; thence proceed North 04° 22' 31" West a distance of 48.64 feet; thence proceed North 18° 42' 05" West a distance of 53.04 feet; thence proceed North 22° 13' 36" West a distance of 36.93 feet; thence proceed North 44° 24' 07" West a distance of 24.20 feet; thence proceed North 01° 43' 58" East a distance of 16.10 feet; thence proceed North 09° 10' 58" East a distance of 47.99 feet; thence proceed North 06° 12' 49" East a distance of 111.36 feet; thence proceed North 11° 15' 01" West a distance of 54.44 feet; thence proceed North 07° 13' 27" East a distance of 50.86 feet; thence proceed North 02° 47' 23" West a distance of 59.56 feet; thence proceed North 11° 27' 21" West a distance of 194.49 feet; thence proceed North 20° 22' 16" East a distance of 105.12 feet; thence proceed North 01° 20' 33" East a distance of 100.94 feet; thence proceed North 08° 12' 11" East a distance of 48.10 feet; thence proceed North 16° 10' 34" East a distance of 131.54 feet; thence proceed North 01° 26' 19" West a distance of 54.14 feet; thence proceed North 06° 13' 05" East a distance of 54.88 feet; thence proceed North 25° 05' 45" East a distance of 44.01 feet; thence proceed North 85° 13' 06" East a distance of 53.47 feet; thence proceed South 89° 26' 33" East a distance of 55.88 feet; thence proceed North 85° 07' 32" East a distance of 148.81 feet; thence proceed North 48° 37' 14" East a distance of 111.75 feet to the northwest corner of said Palmetto Park, Unit No. 2; thence proceed South 00° 42' 33" West along the west line of said Palmetto Park, Unit No. 2 a distance of 460.11 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, all as further shown hereon, and being subject to the servitudes, easements and/or rights-of-way shown hereon and any and all others of record or of use.

Applicant: Palmetto Group, LLC
 Purpose: Residential Subdivision

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Shell. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21st day of March, 2007.

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Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to allow the developer to withdraw the request for approval of the plat of the proposed development of Le Maison Court, Unit No. 1, located behind existing units of Palmetto Park Subdivision in Section 8, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, to be considered at a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Haughton Trace, Unit No. 2, located near the intersection of Davis Road and Highway 157 in Section 8, Township 17 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Kennon Harvill, developer was present and advised that as requested by the police jury on March 7, 2007, the restrictive covenants for this development and for Haughton Trace Unit No. 1, have been amended to require a yard light at each driveway and to provide that potential buyers will be advised of possible commercial use in the subdivision. **Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Haughton Trace, Unit No. 2, subject to review and approval by the Parish Attorney of the restrictive covenants for these developments. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Shell, to schedule a public hearing on April 18, 2007, to consider the application of Robert Aiello and Ron Turner to the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located along Bay Ridge Drive in Bay Hills North Subdivision in Section 4, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to R-1, Single Family Residential District, for a residential subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Darby, to accept the resignation of Ms. Bertie

Calhoun and Ms. Chris Hall from the Benton-Parish MPC Board of Appeals. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to appoint Mr. Wayne Gleason to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Chris Hall, and to appoint Ms. Linda Berg to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Bertie Calhoun on the Benton-Parish MPC Board of Appeals. Motion carried unanimously. Each of these appointments are for five-year terms and the unexpired terms will expire 4/30/2010.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt a resolution of appreciation to Ms. Bertie Calhoun for her years of service on the Benton-Parish MPC Board of Appeals. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Ms. Bertie Calhoun has served on the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission Board of Appeals since her appointment by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in September, 1985; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Calhoun has been diligent in her duties and has demonstrated a genuine concern for the growth and future development of Bossier Parish.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 21st day of March, 2007, that it does hereby accept the resignation of Ms. Bertie Calhoun from the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission Board of Appeals, and does express its sincere appreciation to Ms. Calhoun for her years of service to the citizens of Bossier Parish.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on the 21st day of March, 2007.

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Mr. Altimus reported on a meeting of the police jury's committee on the regulation of billboard signs in the parish, advising that the committee has recommended that the police jury adopt the Bossier City-Parish MPC's regulations which are in effect for the area located within their five-mile jurisdiction outside the City of Bossier City. He stated that the Benton-Parish MPC is working on a similar ordinance.

Mr. Altimus referred to a request on February 21, 2007, for funding for the Forward Northwest Louisiana Economic Development Campaign, advising that an annual commitment of \$12,000 per year for five years is requested. The matter was taken under advisement for consideration during 2008 budget proceedings and Mr. Altimus stated that the Economic Development Foundation has asked if the police jury will participate. Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that he would like to discuss this matter with Mr. Rocky Rockett of the Greater Bossier Economic Development Foundation before a commitment is made. Mr. Altimus stated that he will contact Mr. Rockett and provide a report at the April 4, 2007 regular meeting.

Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, advised of a request from the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department for assistance in the removal of a brick wall in Plain Dealing. He stated that it served as a fire wall for a building which has been donated to the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Ford stated that the wall is dangerous and needs to be removed. **Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to authorize parish work crews to remove a brick fire wall in Plain Dealing, subject to review by the Parish Attorney of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Bossier Sheriff's Office. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Ford reported on the courthouse renovation project, and reviewed a phasing change involving the relocation of the Sheriff's Department. He stated that the sheriff's department will be moved off the first floor and that Walton will pay all relocation costs. Mr. Ford stated that the proposed phasing change will reduce the contract time by 35 days and will prevent the employees from being in close proximity of the major construction. **Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the phasing change subject to legal review of the supplemental agreement with Walton Construction. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Ford reported on the Linton Road improvements project, advising that in addition to widening the road, a bad curve on the road will be realigned and improved shoulders added. He stated that a bad curve on Sligo Road is also being addressed.

Mr. Ford advised that work will begin shortly on the Wemple Road Extension Project, and reported that there are several road improvement projects which will be advertised for bids next month.

Mr. Hammack requested an update on improvements at the penal farm facility. Mr. Ford stated that the panels for air conditioning access are all cut in and stated that new shower fixtures have been ordered. He stated that new shower floors are also being installed.

Mr. Ford reported on a new building maintenance program for police jury owned facilities which should be operational within two weeks.

Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, reported that a gate has been placed across Broom Drive which is a public road. Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, is to contact the person who installed the gate and have them remove it immediately.

Mr. Andrews reported that parish crews have completed work on the curve on Vanceville Road and are working in Country Place Subdivision. Mr. Mitchell commended parish crews for work on Swan Lake Road and Modica Lott Road. Mr. Ford stated that work on the Duckwater Extension will begin when wet weather conditions improve.

Mr. Mitchell requested that a letter be sent to the owner of property at 114 Ruth Road advising of property standards violations at this location.

Mr. Avery, Subdivision Regulations Committee Chairman, advised that a meeting of the Subdivisions Regulations Committee is scheduled on April 4, 2007, at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Williams requested that property at 137 Vance Road be inspected, advising that there are two residences on the property at this time. He further requested that the owner be notified that the property is in violation of property standards regulations, advising that trash is piled behind the house.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Avery, to authorize the adoption of a resolution honoring Miss Anna Whittington, a Benton High School Senior who was recently named Louisiana's Youth Conservationist of the Year by the Louisiana Wildlife Federation, to be presented at the April 4, 2007 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Hammack, that a total of \$13,000 in discretionary funds will be contributed to Benton High School Athletics as follows:

Mr. Williams	\$7,500
Mr. Johnston	\$1,000
Mr. Mitchell	\$1,000
Mr. Avery	\$2,000 matching
Mr. Hammack	\$ 500
Mr. Shell	\$ 500
Mr. Cochran	\$ 500

Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Williams stated that the funds will be used toward the purchase of an agility pad, a ticket booth and a wrestling mat, and advised that the Benton High School Booster Club will contribute \$2,500.

Mr. Johnston requested that \$2,500 be approved to provide access to Bodcau off Highway 157. Mr. Altimus stated that parish work crews can perform this work and funding will come from the Parks and Recreation Fund.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, presented a proposed ordinance prohibiting cockfighting in Bossier Parish, advising that fowl is now covered under animal cruelty laws and the Louisiana Supreme Court has ruled that the local governing authority can regulate such operations. **Motion was made by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Avery, to adopt an ordinance prohibiting cockfighting in Bossier Parish. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE NO. 4147

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 14 OF THE BOSSIER PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES BY RESCINDING "ARTICLE IV. COCKFIGHTING" IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND TO ENACT REGULATIONS PROHIBITING CRUELTY TO ANIMALS AND FOWL, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO, TO BE DESIGNATED CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE IV. "CRUELTY TO ANIMALS AND FOWL, PROHIBITIONS; PENALTIES."; SECTION 14-121 THROUGH SECTION 14-125.

Sec. 14-121. **Purpose.**

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury takes notice of a recent Louisiana Supreme Court case allowing local regulation of "cockfighting" by political subdivisions of the State of Louisiana while the State of Louisiana still maintains "cockfighting" as a legal enterprise within the State;

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2006, the Bossier Parish Police Jury enacted a moratorium on the granting of cockfighting licenses in Bossier Parish, and took notice that there are no active licenses in Bossier Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury believes "cockfighting" is cruel and inhumane and by this ordinance seeks to add fowl to the protected category of animals protected from cruelty; and

WHEREAS, the Police Jury deems cruelty to animals and fowl degrading to the quality of life in Bossier Parish and should not be allowed within the Parish of Bossier,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in due legal and regular session convened, that the Parish Code of Ordinances be amended to rescind Chapter 14, Article IV. "Cockfighting", and to add Chapter 14, Article IV. "Cruelty to Animals and Fowl, Prohibitions; Penalties.", Sections 14-121 through 14-125, to read as follows:

Sec. 14-122. **Definitions.**

For the purposes of this Article, the following definitions shall apply:

Abandoned: To completely forsake and desert an animal previously under the custody or possession of a person without making reasonable arrangements for its proper care, sustenance, and shelter for a period of twenty-four (24) hours.

Administrator of Bossier Parish: That person appointed by the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

Animal: Any living vertebrate creature except human beings, including but not limited to mammals, birds, fowl, reptiles and fish, except when referring specifically to the control of rabies where the meaning of the word "animal" shall be limited to mammals, domestic and wild.

Animal establishment: A facility operated as a pet shop, grooming shop, commercial kennel, commercial livery stable, permanent or transient zoo, circus or performing animal act, or for the boarding of dogs and cats or the training of dogs for any purpose. Animal shelters operated by public authorities and veterinary medical facilities are exempt from this definition.

At large stray: Any animal that is not within the confines of a home or under authorization of the owner thereof, in a pen or cage, on a leash or in the physical possession of the owner or the owner's agent. Hunting or stock dogs, and show dogs and cats or other animals, while being worked or shown under the supervision of their owners or the agents or employees of said owners, are exempt from this definition.

Bite: The breaking of the skin of a human being by an animal's teeth, mouth, claws or beak.

Breeder: Any person who breeds a female dog or cat for the purpose of obtaining a monetary gain from the sale of any portion of the litter produced.

Carrier: Any airline, railroad, motor carrier, shipping line, or other enterprise engaged in the business of

transporting for hire.

(c) Premises on which animals are kept shall be maintained so as to prevent disagreeable odors arising therefrom, or the presence or breeding of flies, mosquitoes, and other pests. Provisions shall be made for the removal and disposal of animal and food wastes, bedding, dead animals and debris. Disposal facilities shall be so provided and operated as to minimize vermin infestation, odors, and disease hazards.

(d) If any part of a public street or the private property of a person other than the owner of the animal shall be soiled by the excreta of that animal, whether such nuisance shall take place in the presence of the owner or not, the owner shall, upon becoming aware thereof, promptly remove such excreta and dispose of it in a sanitary manner.

Sec. 14-123. Cruelty to animals prohibited.

(a) No owner shall, intentionally or with criminal neglect, fail to provide his animals with proper food, proper water, proper shelter, proper veterinary care, or with humane care and treatment.

(b) No person shall beat, cruelly ill-treat, torment, overload, abandon, overwork or otherwise abuse an animal, or cause, instigate or permit any dog fight, bullfight, or other combat between animals or between animals and humans.

(c) Any person who, as the operator of a motor vehicle, strikes a domestic animal shall stop at once and render such assistance as may be possible and shall immediately report the injury or death of the animal to the animal's owner, if the identity of the owner is apparent. If the owner cannot be ascertained or located, such motor vehicle operator shall report the accident to the department or the appropriate law enforcement agency.

(d) No person shall expose any known poisonous substance, whether mixed with food or not, so that it may be eaten by an animal, provided that it shall not be unlawful for a person to expose, on his own property, common rat poison mixed only with vegetable substances, nor shall any person in any other manner whatsoever intentionally poison any animal other than rats.

(e) No person shall color, dye, stain, or otherwise change the natural color of baby chickens, ducklings, or other fowl or rabbits; nor shall any person possess for the purpose of sale any chickens, ducklings, or other fowl or rabbits which have been so colored.

(f) No person shall allow any animal to be transported in the trunk of any vehicle at any time.

(g) Ponies used at concessions consisting of a wheel-like device to which they are attached, must be given sufficient resting time. Resting time shall be one-half (1/2) hour after working one hour.

(h) No one previously convicted of cruelty to an animal shall be issued an animal establishment or kennel permit, or be permitted to adopt a pet pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 14-124. Seizure and disposition of animals cruelly treated and animals that are vicious.

(a) When a person is charged with cruelty to animals, said person's animal may be seized by the arresting officer and held pursuant to this section.

(b) The seizing officer shall:

(1) Notify the owner of the seized animal of the provisions of this section by posting written notice at the location where the animal was seized or by leaving it with a person of suitable age and discretion residing at that location within twenty-four (24) hours of the seizure.

(2) Contact Bossier Parish Animal Services to care for any such animal. Bossier Parish shall retain custody of the animal or find a suitable location for the animal to be kept.

(c) The seized animal shall be held by the custodian provided for in subsection (b)(2) above for a period of fifteen (15) consecutive days, including weekends and holidays, after such notice of seizure is given. Thereafter, if a person who claims an interest in such animal has not posted bond in accordance with subsection (d), the animal may be humanely disposed of by sale, adoption, or euthanasia.

Sec. 14-125. Violations; penalties.

Except as otherwise provided, the penalty for violations of this section shall be the maximum allowable by law of \$500.00 fine and/or a term of imprisonment of 6 months.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Shell, seconded by Mr. Avery. It was duly adopted on this 21st day of March, 2007, with the following vote recorded:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Cummings, Mr. Rogers

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Jackson reported that Haughton Athletics is working to finalize the donation of the recreational complex property to the police jury.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, clarified that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does have an ordinance in place which provides for the regulation of sexually oriented businesses in the parish. Mr. Jackson discussed areas in the parish in which there are no zoning regulations, advising that extending the jurisdiction of the Benton-Parish and Bossier City-Parish MPC from five to seven miles has been discussed. The matter was referred to the Subdivision Regulations Committee for review.

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to amend the agenda to adjourn into executive session to discuss potential litigation with Thinkstream. Motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Cummings, Mr. Rogers

The meeting was reconvened and called to order by the President. There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 21st day of March, 2007, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:45 p.m.

CHERYL G. MARTIN
SECRETARY-TREASURER

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