

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 5th day of March, 2008, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jimmy Cochran, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Wayne Hammack and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Hank Meachum. The Secretary-Treasurer, Ms. Cheryl Martin, called the roll as follows:

Mr. William Altimus	Mr. Brad Cummings
Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby, absent
Ms. Wanda Bennett	Mr. Wayne Hammack
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Winfred Johnston
Mr. Barry Butler	Mr. Hank Meachum
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Eddy Shell, excused

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 Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to authorize the advertising for bids for a six-month supply of asphaltic concrete paving material for the Bossier Parish Highway Department. Motion carried unanimously. Bids will be received April 2, 2008.

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider the application of Ken and Renee Mekelburg to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of Lot 2, Unit 4, Willow Chute Commercial Subdivision, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to B-3, General Business District, for an addition to a mini-storage facility. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Ken and Renee Mekelburg were present. Mr. Mekelburg stated that he has purchased an additional 65 feet for expansion of his facility and the zoning change is needed for this additional tract.

Mr. Avery stated that he has received complaints regarding the U-Haul trucks parked in front of Mr. Mekelburg's business and requested that the trucks be moved to the rear of the property. Mr. Mekelburg stated that other such businesses in the parish are allowed to park the trucks on the front of their property. He stated that in order to move the trucks to the rear of his property, he will have to move his fence and pour additional concrete.

Ms. Renee Hall spoke on behalf of the homeowners at Willow Lake Subdivision, advising that they would like to see the trucks moved to the rear of the property.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery to approve the application for a zoning amendment subject to an agreement that Mr. Mekelburg will move the trucks to the back of his property.

There was discussion on the motion. Mr. Meachum stated that Mr. Mekelburg should be treated as other existing businesses in the parish. Mr. Jackson stated that the police jury may want to consider the development of parishwide regulations to govern such businesses. Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that regulations could be established to require that trucks be parked in the rear and the business frontage be designated for customer parking. Mr. Cummings recommended that Mr. Mekelburg's request be approved as submitted, and parishwide regulations be prepared for consideration at a later date.

Votes were cast on Mr. Avery's motion to approve the application of Ken and Renee Mekelburg for a zoning amendment with the understanding that Mr. Mekelburg agrees to move the trucks to the rear of his property, and to proceed with the preparation of parishwide regulations governing such businesses. Upon second by Mr. Benton, motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 4205

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BOSSIER PARISH ORDINANCE NO. 3908 OF 2003, WHICH ADOPTED A UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE BOSSIER CITY-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, LOUISIANA, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENTIAL-AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO B-3, GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 5th day of March, 2008, that Ordinance No. 3908 of 2003 (Unified Development Code) of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to B-3, General Business District, being more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, being more fully described as follows; Beginning at the common corner of Sections 21, 22, 27, and 28 of said Township 19 North, Range 13 West Run thence North 01° 51' 13" East a distance of 50.30 feet; Run thence South 89° 34' 36" West a distance of 2,604.38 feet; Run thence North 01° 36' 32" East a distance of 1,405.32 feet; Run thence 89° 37' 18" West a distance of 21.27 feet to the Easterly Right-of-Way of Airline Drive; Run thence along said Easterly Airline Drive Right-of-Way South 01° 14' 14" West a distance of 335.13 feet to the Point of Beginning of tract herein described; Leaving said Easterly Right-of-Way of Airline Drive run thence North 89° 37' 18" East a distance of 1,023.17 feet to a point in the Centerline of Willow Chute Bayou; Run thence along said Centerline of Willow Chute Bayou South 23° 06' 15" West a distance of 49.10 feet; Continuing along said Centerline of Willow Chute Bayou South 32° 50' 07" West a distance of 23.87 feet; Thence leaving said Centerline of Willow Chute Bayou run 89° 37' 18" West a distance of 992.37 feet to said Easterly Right-of-Way of Airline Drive; Run thence along said Easterly Right-of-Way of Airline Drive North 01° 14' 14" East a distance of 65.03 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 1.506 acres, more or less.

Applicant: Ken and Renee Mekelburg
Purpose: Expansion of mini-storage facility

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the Town Lake Boulevard & Dairy Lane Right-of-Way Dedication, located in Section 11, Township 18 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated this is at the site of the new W. T. Lewis Elementary School and will be used to provide access to the school. There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve the plat of the Town Lake Boulevard & Dairy Lane Right-of-Way Dedication, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Map of Partition for Agnes B. Fuller Lands, located in Section 9, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that this is a six acre tract which has been divided into three lots. Bruce and Shannon Slaughter were present and advised that they wish to purchase Lot 1 to build a house. Mr. Slaughter stated that they will have a water well and a private drive. He stated that they will provide a right of ingress and egress to the lots at the rear of the tract. There being no opposition, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the Map of Partition for Agnes B. Fuller Lands, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider amendments to Bossier Parish Subdivision Regulations. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, advised that the matter of deep ditches has been reviewed and it is recommended that regulations be amended to require that all ditch slopes be designed and constructed to a minimum 3 to 1 slope. He stated that this will allow maintenance of the ditches. Mr. Ford further stated that some ditches may have to be piped and stated that this will be at the discretion of the engineer. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve an amendment to Bossier Parish Subdivision Regulations pertaining to ditch slope requirements, as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE NO. 4206

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 110, ARTICLE II, SECTION 110-95(d) AND CHAPTER 110, ARTICLE III, SECTION 110-233(e) OF THE BOSSIER PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO OPEN DITCH DRAINAGE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2008, that Chapter 110, Article II, Section 110-95(d) be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article II - General Parish Regulations

Section 110-95. Drainage.

(d) When streets within an approved subdivision are designed by the engineer and constructed by the property developer for open ditch drainage, such ditches must not be covered in any manner and all ditch slopes (back and fore) must be designed and constructed to a minimum 3 to 1 slope. Such requirement hereby prohibits any further installation of any type of drainage culverts where open ditch drainage does exist or is to be constructed in an approved subdivision. The only exception to this regulation would be if the parish engineer deems the installation of roadway culverts necessary for health or safety reasons.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Chapter 110, Article III, Section 110-233(e) be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article III – Unincorporated Areas Within Five Miles of Incorporated Town or Village With Zoning Regulations.

Section 110-233. Drainage.

(e) When streets within an approved subdivision are designed by the engineer and constructed by the property developer for open ditch drainage, such ditches must not be covered in any manner and all ditch slopes (back and fore) must be designed and constructed to a minimum 3 to 1 slope. Such requirement hereby prohibits any further installation of any type of drainage culverts where open ditch drainage does exist or is to be constructed in an approved subdivision. The only exception to this regulation would be if the parish engineer deems the installation of roadway culverts necessary for health or safety reasons.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008.

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Mr. Ford stated that the Subdivision Regulations Committee has also reviewed the matter of lot sizes where open ditch drainage is permitted and advised that it is recommended that open ditch drainage be allowed where each lot has an average width of 65 feet. He stated that the proposed amendment does not apply within the Bossier City-Parish MPC five mile limit, as underground drainage is required in this area. Mr. Avery stated that the matter of extending zoning regulations in the parish is still being reviewed. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve an amendment to Bossier Parish Subdivision Regulations pertaining to lot size requirements where open ditch drainage is allowed. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE NO. 4207

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 110, ARTICLE III, SECTION 110-228, SUBSECTION (1)(b) OF THE BOSSIER PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO LOT SIZES WHERE OPEN DITCH DRAINAGE IS PERMITTED.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2008, that Chapter 110, Section 110-228, Subsection (1)(b), be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article III – Unincorporated Areas Within Five Miles of Incorporated Town or Village With Zoning Regulations.

Section 110-228(1)(b)

(b) As an exception to subsection (1) of this section, open ditch drainage will be permitted where each lot has an average width of 65 feet, and an average depth of 115' with a minimum front building setback of 30' when the subdivision is supported by community water and sewer services.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2008, to consider the application of Mark Johnson for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located in Section 13, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential-Low Density District, for a single family residential subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ford discussed the request for acceptance of Country Lane located off the Bellevue Road in Country Living Estates, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance, advising that further title research is needed. **Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to table this matter for further research. Motion carried unanimously.**

There was discussion of the need for a title report with surveys which are submitted to the police jury office. Ms. Monica Grappe, right-of-way coordinator, stated that surveyors do not always provide the necessary title work. Mr. Jackson stated that the police jury could secure the services of an outside agency to provide this work. Mr. Avery recommended that plats not be accepted without a title report. Mr. Ford and Ms. Grappe will work with Mr. Jackson on this matter.

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to accept the proposal of Wilson & Company, Inc., in the amount of \$7,977 for engineering services for the proposed intersection improvements at Sligo Road and U. S. Highway 71. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Bay Hills Concrete Street Repair Project No. 2007-09, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2008, that Jimmy Cochran, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Bay Hills Concrete Street Repair Project No. 2007-09.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to adopt a resolution authorizing the acquisition of property and/or institution of expropriation proceedings necessary for construction and completion of the Linton Road Reconstruction and Improvements Project. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY AND/OR INSTITUTION OF EXPROPRIATION PROCEEDINGS NECESSARY FOR CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF THE LINTON ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier will commence a project to, among other things, improve, widen and/or expand Linton Road (the "**Project**");

WHEREAS, the Parish is in the process of acquiring the needed properties necessary to facilitate construction and completion of the Project;

WHEREAS, the Project will require the acquisition of additional parcels of property adjacent to and contiguous to the existing roadway, specifically including, but not limited to, parcels or tracts of land from the following property parcel/tracts:

PARCEL NO(S).	OWNER(S)	Description
1-1	Donny M. Hood & Judith F. Hood	Exhibit A
1-2 & 1-2-C-1	Mildred Alison & Rory W. Alison	Exhibits B and C
1-3	Gilbert K. Christy & Katherine L. Christy	Exhibit D
2-1	Gilbert K. Christy, Katherine L. Christy & Elizabeth Alison Downey	Exhibit E
2-2	Samuel Birmingham	Exhibit F

WHEREAS, in the event that the offers of compensation for the purchase of the necessary additional parcels of

property adjacent and contiguous to the existing roadway and/or right-of-ways are not accepted by any property owner, and a voluntary agreement and/or settlement for the purchase of said property cannot be reached on any of said property parcels listed above, then in that event the Parish of Bossier, acting under the authority of and in a manner authorized by Article 1, Section 4 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana (1974) and La. R.S. 19:1, et seq. and/or La. R.S. 48:441 et. seq. or any other applicable laws of the State of Louisiana, desires to acquire said property by expropriation pursuant to applicable law;

WHEREAS, public necessity dictates that the properties and/or parcels described herein must be owned by and subject to use by the Parish of Bossier;

WHEREAS, the acquisition or taking of the property is necessary for highway and/or street purposes, and the location and design of the proposed highway and/or street improvements are in accordance with the best modern practices adopted in the interest of safety and convenience of the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier is currently contemplating entering into a Local Services Agreement with the City of Bossier City regarding the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, in regular session convened, that Parish is authorized to acquire all property necessary to facilitate construction and completion of the Project, including, if necessary the filing and prosecution of any expropriation or taking actions related to the Project in the proper court of law and the Parish Attorney, is hereby authorized to institute expropriation proceedings against the owner or owners of record as they might be at the time of the filing, of the properties, parcels or tracts described above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Parish Administrator is authorized and empowered to execute all conveyance instruments, including purchase agreements, acts of sale, acts of donation, rights of way or servitude agreements, related to the Project, and to execute any and all other documents necessary to complete the Project, and to pursue any necessary expropriation actions related to the Project, whether or not involving the property tracts and/or owners referred to herein, and to execute any documents pursuant to such terms and conditions as he shall in his sole discretion deem advisable, and is his authorized to execute any other document related to the Project and do any and all things necessary and property to carry out this Resolution and to fulfill its objects and purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the law firm of Wiener Weiss & Madison, P.C. be and is hereby authorized to assist the Parish Attorney with the expropriation proceedings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any provision or item of this Resolution or application thereof is invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other 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 of in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008.

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Exhibit A

Legal Description

Of Parcel 1-1 Owned by Donny M. Hood & Judith F. Hood

A certain parcel of land situated in Sect 15, T-19-N, R-13-W Bossier Parish, Louisiana and being more particularly described as follows:

From a point on the centerline of Linton Road, at Station 50+40.00, proceed N07°03'00"W a distance of 29.34 feet to the point of beginning; thence proceed N74°53'17"E a distance of 53.47 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S00°12'00"W a distance of 7.63 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S83°01'18"W a distance of 51.98 feet to the point of beginning. All of which comprises Parcel 1-1 as shown on Sheet 1 of the Right of Way Plans of Linton Road Improvements, and contains an area of 196.6 square feet or 0.005 acres.

Exhibit B

Legal Description

Of Parcel 1-2 Owned by Mildred Alison & Roy W. Alison

A certain parcel of land situated in Sect 15, T-19-N, R-13-W Bossier Parish, Louisiana and being more particularly described as follows:

From a point on the centerline of Linton Road, at Station 50+88.26, proceed N00°12'00"E a distance of 29.51 feet to the point of beginning; thence proceed N00°12'00"E a distance of 7.63 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed N74°53'17"E a distance of 375.78 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed N80°40'28"E a distance of 197.00 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed along a curve to the left having a radius of 1150.00 feet, whose length is 961.48 feet and whose chord length is 933.72 feet and bears N45°59'12"E to a point and corner; thence proceed N21°19'14"E a distance of 288.02 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed N08°27'38"E a distance of 190.20 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed N16°29'59"E a distance of 58.55 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S08°19'40"W a distance of 618.08 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed along a curve to the right having a radius of 720.00 feet, whose length is 944.49 feet and whose chord length is 878.21 feet and bears S45°54'34"W to a point and corner; thence proceed S83°29'22"W a distance of 518.89 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S83°01'18"W a distance of 143.28 feet to the point of beginning. All of which comprises Parcel 1-2 as shown on Sheet 1 of the Right of Way Plans of Linton Road Improvements, and contains an area of 176182.1 square feet or 4.045 acres.

Exhibit C

Legal Description

Of Parcel 1-2-C-1 Owned by Mildred Alison & Roy W. Alison

A certain parcel of land situated in Sect 15, T-19-N, R-13-W Bossier Parish, Louisiana and being more particularly described as follows:

From a point on the centerline of Linton Road, at Station 58+30.02, proceed N27°06'27"W a distance of 70.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence proceed N27°05'16"W a distance of 91.00 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed along a curve to the left having a radius of 1059.00 feet, whose length is 407.93 feet and whose chord length is 405.41 feet and bears N51°51'21"E to a point and corner; thence proceed S49°10'46"E a distance of 91.00 feet to a point and corner;

thence proceed along a curve to the right having a radius of 1150.00 feet, whose length is 443.01 feet and whose chord length is 440.28 feet and bears S51°51'24"W to the point of beginning. All of which comprises Parcel 1-2-C-1 as shown on Sheet 1 of the Right of Way Plans of Linton Road Improvements, and contains an area of 38717.8 square feet or 0.889 acres.

Exhibit D

Legal Description

Of **Parcel 1-3** Owned by Gilbert K. Christy & Katherine L. Christy & Elizabeth Alison Downey

A certain parcel of land situated in Sect 15, T-19-N, R-13-W Bossier Parish, Louisiana and being more particularly described as follows:

From a point on the centerline of Linton Road, at Station 50+94.00, proceed S07°03'00"E a distance of 30.73 feet to the point of beginning; thence proceed N83°01'18"E a distance of 140.94 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed N83°29'22"E a distance of 392.01 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S69°29'06"W a distance of 168.16 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S82°35'20"W a distance of 138.93 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed N86°15'54"W a distance of 234.61 feet to the point of beginning. All of which comprises Parcel 1-3 as shown on Sheet 1 of the Right of Way Plans of Linton Road Improvements, and contains an area of 14125.8 square feet or 0.324 acres.

Exhibit E

Legal Description

Of **Parcel 2-1** Owned by Gilbert K. Christy & Katherine L. Christy & Elizabeth Alison Downey

A certain parcel of land situated in Sect 15, T-19-N, R-13-W Bossier Parish, Louisiana and being more particularly described as follows:

From a point on the centerline of Linton Road, at Station 67+15.52, proceed S68°41'21"E a distance of 63.56 feet to the point of beginning; thence proceed N08°19'45"E a distance of 387.00 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S89°28'48"E a distance of 28.03 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S39°39'53"W a distance of 35.61 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S02°33'26"W a distance of 207.92 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S19°26'39"W a distance of 156.46 feet to the point of beginning. All of which comprises Parcel 2-1 as shown on Sheet 2 of the Right of Way Plans of Linton Road Improvements, and contains an area of 6902.0 square feet or 0.158 acres.

Exhibit F

Legal Description

Of **Parcel 2-2** Owned by Samuel Birmingham

A certain parcel of land situated in Sect 15, T-19-N, R-13-W Bossier Parish, Louisiana and being more particularly described as follows:

From a point on the centerline of Linton Road, at Station 71+45.19, proceed S89°08'19"E a distance of 30.86 feet to the point of beginning; thence proceed N08°35'01"E a distance of 98.70 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S00°01'51"W a distance of 66.75 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed S34°18'25"E a distance of 37.99 feet to a point and corner; thence proceed N89°08'19"W a distance of 36.11 feet to the point of beginning. All of which comprises Parcel 2-2 as shown on Sheet 2 of the Right of Way Plans of Linton Road Improvements, and contains an area of 1050.6 square feet or 0.024 acres.

Mr. Altimus reported that Dr. Jere McBride is retiring from the LSU AgCenter and advised that a reception in his honor is scheduled on March 20, 2008, at 5:30 in the LSUS Ballroom. **Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to adopt a resolution of appreciation to Dr. McBride for his service to Bossier Parish. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Jere McBride is retiring from his employment as Regional Director for the LSU AgCenter Northwest Region Office; and

WHEREAS, Dr. McBride has always supported Bossier Parish and has provided assistance when needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2008, that it does hereby express its appreciation to Dr. Jere McBride for his support of Bossier Parish, and does wish him well in his retirement.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Altimus. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008.

CHERYL G. MARTIN
SECRETARY-TREASURER

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to adopt a resolution authorizing the President to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between the Department of Transportation and Development, the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments and the Bossier Parish Police Jury in connection with State Project No. 700-08-0130, Winfield Road Extension- Bossier Parish East/West Corridor Project. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2008, that Jimmy Cochran, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between the Department of Transportation and Development, the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments and the Bossier Parish Police Jury in connection with State Project No. 700-08-0130, Winfield Road Extension- Bossier Parish East/West Corridor Project.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Meachum. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008.

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Mr. Altimus advised of a request from the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department for permission to take dirt from the dirt pit behind the maximum security jail for use in the construction of an addition to the medium security jail facility. **Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Benton, to allow the Sheriff's Department to use dirt from the dirt pit behind the maximum security jail as requested. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Altimus advised of a request from the Bossier Parish School Board for assistance with several asphalt projects. He stated that Mr. Andrews, Public Works Director, will prepare cost estimates for review at a later date.

Mr. Altimus advised of a proposal from Crown Castle regarding extension of the current lease on the cell tower site on Hazel Jones Road. He stated that Crown Castle has requested that the police jury consider extending the current lease to July 31, 2062, with an increase in lease payments. No action was taken.

Mr. Altimus reported that the Governor has issued a call to session beginning on March 9, 2008, and advised that State funding in the amount of \$57 million is proposed for to the Cyber Innovation Center, \$1.7 million to the Caddo-Bossier Port, and funding for the extension of I-49 from the Arkansas state line to Shreveport.

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to send a letter of appreciation to Governor Jindal for his support of northwest Louisiana. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Altimus advised that the Department of Environmental Quality will hold a public hearing on March 6, 2008, to receive public input on various permit applications.

Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, advised of a proposal from Raley & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$5,200 to provide survey and right-of-way work for the proposed extension of Modica Lott Road from its 90° curve out to Swan Lake Road. Mr. Butler stated that he has been advised that the owner of this property does not wish to sell the property at this time. No action was taken.

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Avery, to accept a proposal from Raley & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$3,500 to stake the 50 foot right-of-way on Rebouche Road. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ford stated that on February 6, 2008, the police jury approved an expenditure of up to \$4,000 for survey of a portion of Vickers Road. He stated that Raley & Associates, Inc., has submitted a proposal for this work in the amount of \$5,500 and requested that the police jury approve the additional \$1,500 needed. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve an additional \$1,500 for survey of a portion of Vickers Road. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to authorize the President to execute the contract with Balar Associates, Inc., to provide engineering services for the proposed Sewer District No. 1, subject to review by the parish attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2008, that Jimmy Cochran, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, the contract with Balar Associates, Inc., for engineering services for the proposed Sewer District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008.

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Mr. Ford advised of a proposal from the developer of Park Lake Estates Subdivision to remove an existing culvert on Parks Road and replace it with a new bridge. He stated that this would provide the developer with approximately 30 lakefront lots and will cost approximately \$728,000. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2008, to consider the request of Park Lake Estates Subdivision to replace an existing cross-drain on Parks Road located between Preston Bay and Glen Cove Drive with a new bridge. Motion carried unanimously.** All landowners within subdivisions near the area are to be notified of the public hearing. Mr. Cochran requested that sidewalks along the bridge be considered.

Mr. Ford advised of a request that the police jury accept a private gravel road in Pecan Grove, Unit No. 2A, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance. He stated the road is designated as Lot 1,000 on the plat and stated that residents are unable to receive mail service. The road is located within Mr. Meachum's district and Mr. Meachum stated that he will take this road in under provisions which provide that a police juror may request the acceptance of not more than three roads per calendar year with the sum total mileage of all three roads not exceeding three road miles. The road must be located within that juror's district.

After discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to accept Lot 1,000, Pecan Grove, Unit 2A, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance. Motion carried, with the following vote recorded:**

Yeas: Mr. Altimus, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Butler, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Meachum.

Abstain: None

Nays: Mr. Avery, Mr. Cummings

Absent: Mr. Darby, Mr. Shell

AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 94, SECTION 94-7, OF THE BOSSIER PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES OF BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, ACCEPTING LOT 1,000, PECAN GROVE SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2A, 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 Lot 1,000, Pecan Grove Subdivision, Unit No. 2A, 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:

LOT 1,000 – approximately 630 feet

Located in Pecan Grove Subdivision, Unit No. 2A, Section 26, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Having met the requirements of Chapter 94, Section 94-7, Lot 1,000, Pecan Grove Subdivision, Unit No. 2A, is incorporated into the Parish Maintenance System.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Hammack. It was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2008, with the following vote recorded:

Yeas: Mr. Altimus, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Butler, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Meachum.

Abstain: None

Nays: Mr. Avery, Mr. Cummings

Absent: Mr. Darby, Mr. Shell

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Mr. Bruce Easterly advised of a proposal from Construction Optimization Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$30,000 to provide critical path scheduling for the Cyber Innovation Center project. He stated that Construction Optimization Engineers, Inc., will work to ensure that the project remains on schedule and is completed within the contract time. Mr. Easterly stated that it is critical to monitor this project and advised that the \$30,000 will be paid by the City of Bossier City and the police jury. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to accept the proposal of Construction Optimization Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$30,000, with the City of Bossier City paying 2/3 of the cost and the police jury paying the remaining 1/3. Motion carried unanimously.**

Jurors were provided a report on the current amount of discretionary funds spent by each.

Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, presented a report on various road projects in the parish.

It was requested that the staff gather information on Belle Cherri developers to consider a possible ban on work by them in Bossier Parish.

Ms. Bennett advised of a request from the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District for one 10-yard load of gravel at the park and for use of a parish dozer to spread sand at the beach. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to provide one 10-yard load of gravel for the Cypress Lake Park and to authorize parish crews to use a parish dozer to spread sand at the beach. Motion carried unanimously.** Costs for material and labor will be paid by the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District.

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Avery, that Mr. Hammack and Mr. Shell will contribute \$150 each from discretionary funds, for a total of \$300 to the Parkway High School golf team. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Benton discussed the Princeton Sports Complex advising that four ball fields and a soccer field are complete. He stated that the National Guard may be available to assist with dirt work at the complex and requested that an expenditure of \$5,000 be approved for engineering services. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to authorize an expenditure of \$5,000 from the Parks and Recreation Fund for engineering fees if the National Guard assists with dirt work. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Jackson commended Governor Jindal for his support of the Cyber Command project. He reported that Cyber meetings are held each Wednesday and encouraged jurors to attend.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2008, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:40 p.m.

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