

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 18th day of March, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Glenn Benton, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Wayne Hammack and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Rick Avery. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Cindy Dodson, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

Mr. William Altimus	Mr. Brad Cummings
Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby
Ms. Wanda Bennett	Mr. Wayne Hammack
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Winfred Johnston
Mr. Barry Butler	Mr. Hank Meachum
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Mac Plummer

Others present were Mr. Bill Altimus, Parish Administrator; Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney, Mr. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Engineer; Ms. Cindy Dodson, Parish Secretary.

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to adopt the minutes of the February 4, 2009, and the February 18, 2009, regular meetings, and the February 18, 2009 Finance Committee meeting, as published. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Mary Ann Tice, Shreveport Regional Sports Authority, expressed her appreciation to Mr. Bill Altimus and the jury for their support of the 2009 Bassmaster Classic event. She advised that the event was the first joint venture between the two cities and parishes, and was a complete success. She further advised that the economic study is not yet complete, but she believes the economic impact will be at least \$24 million. Ms. Tice stated that the total numbers indicate that at least 137,700 attended the Classic event, with approximately 131,000 attending the Expo held at the convention center.

Ms. Tice expressed her appreciation to the Convention and Tourist Bureau and to Mr. Billy Montgomery for their support. Ms. Tice presented Mr. Altimus with a poster signed by all 51 competitors in the event. She also presented Mr. Billy Montgomery with a B.A.S.S. Times which featured the Bassmaster Classic and the Red River, and was signed by Mr. Skeet Reese, 2009 Bassmaster Classic Champion.

Mr. Altimus reported that a letter of appreciation was received from B.A.S.S. for the jury's support. Mr. Montgomery expressed his appreciation to the police jury and to Mr. Bobby Edmiston for their assistance in obtaining State funding for the event.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to table the awarding of the bid for one (1) new ten ton tandem vibratory roller for the Bossier Parish Highway Department, to be awarded at the April 1, 2009, regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Bids were received on March 16, 2009, and the results are as follows:

H & E Equipment Service	\$105,350.00
Scott Construction Equipment	\$108,961.00
Doggett Machinery Service	\$ 95,027.00
Waukesha-Pearce Ind., Inc.	\$117,916.00
ESS Equipment Support Services	\$ 90,650.51

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to award the bid for one (1) new sandbagger machine for the Bossier Parish Highway Department to State Machinery & Equipment Sales in the amount of \$19,990.00, in accordance with the bid received on March 16, 2009. Motion carried unanimously. This is the only bid received.

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the application of Alltel to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for Conditional Use Approval on an I-1 tract of land located at 3528 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, LA, to locate a 190 foot telecommunication tower. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Ms. Lisa Taylor, C Faulkner Engineering, spoke on behalf of Alltel. Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, advised that the tower is to be located on Lot 7, Stinson Acres, and the MPC has asked that the tower be changed to a monopole for less visual impact. Ms. Taylor advised that the tower will not have a strobe at the top, and stated that a wooden fence will be erected around the site. There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the application of Alltel to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for Conditional Use Approval on an I-1 tract of land located at 3528 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, LA, to locate a 190 foot telecommunication tower, with the stipulation that it is a monopole and the solid screening used must be reviewed by the MPC. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE NO. 4271

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE TO LOCATE A 190 FOOT TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER AT AN I-1 LOCATION, 3528 SWAN LAKE ROAD, BOSSIER CITY, BOSSIER PARISH, LA.

WHEREAS, Alltel, has applied to the Bossier Parish Police Jury for a Conditional Use to locate a 190 foot telecommunication tower at an I-1 location at 3528 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, Bossier Parish, LA; and

WHEREAS, the application has been approved by the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing for the application was held by the Bossier Parish Police Jury on March 18, 2009.

SECTION 1. That the Conditional Use to locate a 190 foot telecommunication tower at an I-1 location, 3528 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, Bossier Parish, LA, is hereby approved with the stipulation that it be a monopole and solid screening used is to be reviewed by the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

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Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to schedule a public hearing on April 15, 2009, to consider the application of Sligo Farms, LLC to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 162+ acre tract of land located on the west side of Caplis Sligo Road, south of Red Chute Bayou, in Sections 22, 27 and 28, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-LD, Residential-Low Density District, to I-1, Light-Industry District, for an industrial park. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to schedule a public hearing on April 15, 2009, to consider the application of Sligo Farms, LLC to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 454 acre tract of land located on the west side of Caplis Sligo Road, south of Red Chute Bayou, in Sections 27 and 28, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-LD, Residential-Low Density District, to R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, for a wetland mitigation area. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public hearing on April 15, 2009, to consider the application of Steve Ruff to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a Conditional Use Approval on a B-3 lot located at 5000 Benton Road, Suite 15, (southern most suite in new strip center) Bossier Parish, LA, for on premise consumption of low and high content alcohol at a proposed sports bar. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to schedule a public hearing on April 1, 2009, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of The Perfect Place, Unit 2, located in Section 28, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 1106 Ward Lane, Princeton, LA. Mr. Stacy Pourteau, Property Standards Officer, recommended that the owner be granted a 30-day extension in which to complete clean up of the property. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Darby, to allow the owner of property at 1106 Ward Lane an additional 30 days in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations. Motion carried unanimously.** The matter is to be reviewed at the April 15, 2009 regular meeting.

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 1104 Ward Lane, Princeton, LA. Mr. Stacy Pourteau, Property Standards Officer, advised that the property is in compliance and has been scheduled for condemnation in error. No action was taken.

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 532 Princeton Road, Princeton, LA. Mr. Stacy Pourteau, Property Standards Officer, presented recent photographs of the property and advised that inoperable vehicles, metal and other objects remain on the property. Mr. Charles Wiley, property owner, and his daughter, Penelope Wiley, were present. Ms. Wiley advised that the weather has delayed the clean up of the property and requested an extension of time. **Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Darby, to allow the owner of property at 532 Princeton Road an additional 30 days in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations. Motion carried unanimously.** The matter is to be reviewed at the April 15, 2009 regular meeting.

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 710 Lawrence Drive, Haughton, LA. Mr. Stacy Pourteau, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of the property and stated that the property is not in compliance with property standards regulations. Mr. Joshua McFarland, property owner, advised that he has removed several inoperable vehicles and other debris, and requested additional time to complete the clean up of his property. **Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to allow the owner of property at 710 Lawrence Drive an additional 30 days in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations. Motion carried unanimously.** The matter is to be reviewed at the April 15, 2009 regular meeting.

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 322 Johnson Drive, Haughton, LA. Mr. Stacy Pourteau, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of the property, advising that the property is not in compliance with property standards regulations and does provide a breeding ground for mosquitoes and other vermin. He stated that the property owner is deceased and heirs have indicated that they do not intend to open a succession or clean the property. **Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to proceed with condemnation of property at 322 Johnson Drive. Motion carried unanimously.**

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at Section 6, Township 16 North, Range 10 West (Circle Street), Haughton, LA. Mr. Stacy Pourteau, Property Standards Officer, presented recent photographs of the property. He stated that letters have been sent to the property owner, but there has been no response. Mr. Pourteau advised that the property is not in compliance with property standards guidelines and does provide a breeding ground for mosquitoes and other vermin. **Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Avery, to**

proceed with condemnation of property at Section 6, Township 16 North, Range 10 West (Circle Street). Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Bennett reported on a meeting of the Property Standards Board and presented the following recommendations:

1106 Ward Lane, Princeton, LA – Table for 30 days

1104 Ward Lane, Princeton, LA – In compliance

532 Princeton Road, Princeton, LA – granted 30 day extension, to be reviewed April 15, 2009

710 Lawrence Drive, Haughton, LA – granted 30 day extension, to be reviewed April 15, 2009

322 Johnson Drive, Haughton, LA – Condemn

Section 6, Township 16 North, Range 10 West (Circle Street), Haughton, LA - Condemn

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Butler, to accept the recommendations of the Property Standards Board, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Altimus referred to a request from the Coordinating and Development Corporation that the jury consider adoption of a resolution of assistance and support of rural universal broadband internet service. He stated that he requested that a representative from the Coordinating and Development Corporation be present at today's meeting to provide the jury with additional information but no response was received. Mr. Altimus recommended that this matter be tabled. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to table the matter of a requested resolution supporting Rural Universal Broadband Internet Service until additional information on this matter is provided. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Altimus discussed the progress of the study by Wilbur Smith Associates for parishwide zoning. He advised that Wilbur Smith Associates has conducted a study of existing conditions and growth trends in considering revisions to the boundaries of the Bossier City-Parish MPC area and/or the Benton MPC planning area. Mr. Altimus advised that Wilbur Smith Associates has interviewed community officials, residents and local developers, and has provided the following recommendations; (1) an adjustment of the existing MPC boundaries; and (2) the creation of a three tiered zoning system including urban, exurban and rural areas.

Mr. Altimus stated that the proposal would eliminate the Benton MPC area, advising that this area would be included in a new zoning tier to be considered exurban. This exurban tier would include Benton, Haughton and South Bossier, and the northern part of the parish would be considered rural. Mr. Altimus stated that the proposed changes will require an enhancement in the Bossier City-Parish MPC staff and a possible satellite office at the courthouse for administration of the expanded planning/zoning area. He stated that the creation of a new MPC board for the tiers outside the existing MPC area is being considered, and citizens living in this new area would serve on the board. It was noted that these issues are considered Phase I of the study.

Mr. Altimus advised that there has been discussion as to what zoning restrictions are appropriate for the urban and exurban areas. He stated that more lenient restrictions may apply in the exurban tier than in the urban tier, and fewer zoning restrictions, if any, in the rural tier. Mr. Altimus stated that these issues will be considered in Phase II of the study, and advised that Wilbur Smith Associates has submitted a proposal for Phase II in the amount of \$99,910.00.

In the Phase II study, Wilbur Smith Associates will provide the steps needed for the appointment of the proposed new parish planning commission for the exurban and rural tiers. Mr. Altimus stated that an intergovernmental agreement will be prepared with the Town of Benton which will allow the police jury to administer the five mile Benton MPC zoning area. The Bossier City-Parish MPC will administer the parishwide zoning area. He stated that meetings will be scheduled with staff members of the police jury and MPC, along with other key participants in the process, and a series of interviews will be held with stakeholders representing the exurban and rural tiers. Mr. Altimus stated that stakeholders will be selected by the police jury.

Mr. Altimus advised that the Phase II proposal includes a request for five community meetings to be held within a one week period in diverse sites in the exurban and rural portions of the parish to present the proposed modifications of the MPC boundaries and to educate local residents on the meaning of zoning. The meetings will further educate the public as to where the exurban and rural tiers are to be located and to discuss proposed zoning guidelines which reflect local values and desires for growth and development in the exurban and rural tiers while protecting private property values.

Mr. Jackson advised that it is impossible for the parish to enforce the proposed oil and gas regulations without parishwide zoning. He stated that if parishwide zoning is approved, the police jury will have the authority to regulate oil and gas activities. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Avery, to accept the proposal of Wilbur Smith Associates in the amount of \$99,910, to begin Phase II of the parishwide zoning study, with said funds being taken from the Capital Projects fund. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Joey French, French Engineering, was present on behalf of Dr. Miciotto and Mr. James Young regarding their request to the Bossier Parish Levee Board for abandonment of a 100' levee board maintenance easement along a section of Willow Chute Bayou. Mr. Ford advised that Dr. Miciotto and Mr. Young own property located between Deen Point Road and Linton Road and have requested a reduction of easements on each side of Willow Chute Bayou. He stated that a study is being done at this time by Owen & White to determine whether a culvert should be placed at Deen Point Road. Mr. Ford stated that the property owners have agreed to assume maintenance for this section of the bayou and to maintain it at its current level of maintenance.

Mr. Bruce Easterly recommended that Mr. Ford meet with engineers for the project before a final decision is made to clarify future maintenance responsibilities. **Motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Avery, to table this matter to allow Mr. Ford to meet with the engineer and property owners regarding future maintenance responsibilities. Motion carried unanimously.** The matter will be reviewed at the April 1, 2009 regular meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Altimus to approve Change Order No. 1 on the DeMoss Hill Wastewater Collection System Improvements project, and to authorize the President to execute

documents. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ford stated that this plan change results in an additional amount of \$5,255.15.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of March, 2009, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 1 on the DeMoss Hill Wastewater Collection System Improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glenn Benton, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Altimus. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

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Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the DeMoss Hill Wastewater Collection System Improvements, 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 18th day of March, 2009, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the DeMoss Hill Wastewater Collection System Improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glenn Benton, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

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Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to approve the reappointment of Ms. Renee Nance to the Bossier City-Parish MPC Board of Appeals for a five year term, term to expire April 1, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sam Marsiglia reported that a meeting is scheduled in Fort Worth, Texas on April 16- 17, 2009, with the Mayor of Fort Worth and other officials to discuss oil and gas drilling and pipeline operations in the city. He stated that the Mayor has planned a luncheon and has asked for a count of how many will be attending. Mr. Altimus, Mr. Avery and Mr. Jackson confirmed that they will attend and Mr. Neil Erwin is to also be invited.

Mr. Altimus advised that he has spoken with the owner of property adjacent to the 15' strip of property located at 1125 Margaret Street off Barksdale Boulevard which is adjudicated to the parish, and he has expressed an interest in purchasing this 15' strip. He stated that officials with the City of Bossier City agree with the parish's decision to declare the property as surplus and advertise it for bids. Mr. Altimus stated that it will be stipulated in the bid advertisement that all stumps on the property must be removed by the purchaser and the site cleared of any debris. **Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Avery, to declare adjudicated property being described as the northerly 15 feet of Lot 3, resubdivision of Lots 2 and 3, Suburban Acres, as surplus, to be advertised for bids for the sale of said property, minimum bid \$1.00. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Hammack to approve Change Order No. 2 on the new concessions and maintenance buildings at the Princeton Sports Complex Project No. 2008-164, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ford stated that the plan change results in an additional amount of \$854.00.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of March, 2009, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 2 on the New Concessions and Maintenance Buildings at Princeton Sports Complex Project No. 2008-164.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glenn Benton, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

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Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the new concessions and maintenance buildings at the Princeton Sports Complex Project No. 2008-164, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Benton advised that the opening ceremony at the complex is scheduled on April 18, 2009, and encouraged all jurors to attend.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of March, 2009, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the New Concessions and Maintenance Buildings at Princeton Sports Complex Project No. 2008-164.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glenn Benton, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

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Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Chalybeate Springs Road Overlay Project No. 2008-137, 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 18th day of March, 2009, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Chalybeate Springs Road Overlay Project No. 2008-137.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glenn Benton, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

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Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Hammack to approve Change Order No. 2 on the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Airline Drive and LeOaks Drive, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ford stated that this plan change results in a reduction in the amount of \$20,720.00, with the new contract amount being \$98,800.00.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of March, 2009, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 1 on the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Airline Drive and LeOaks Drive.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glenn Benton, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

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Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Cyber Innovation Center Infrastructure Improvements Project in the amount of \$216,868.28, subject to concurrence with the Louisiana Economic Development Department, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of March, 2009, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Cyber Innovation Center Infrastructure Improvements Project, subject to concurrence with Louisiana Economic Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

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Mr. Altimus referred to action by the police jury on March 4, 2009, whereby the police jury voted to participate as an unleased mineral interest in the matter of oil and gas drilling operations on police jury property located in Section 16, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. He stated that the oil and gas company who submitted the request for an oil/gas mineral lease on the property has requested that they be allowed to submit a bid. Mr. Altimus requested confirmation of the jury's decision to participate as an unleased mineral interest.

It was the consensus of the jury that Mr. Jackson is to notify the oil and gas company to advise them that the police jury will stand by its action on March 4, 2009, and is not accepting bids for an oil/gas mineral lease on this property.

Mr. Altimus provided jurors with information regarding homestead exemption percentages in the State and advised that homestead exemption will be discussed at the next legislative session.

Mr. Russell Craig, Bossier Parish Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit, was present and introduced Ms. Melissa Zempruch, Administrative Assistant, for the Bossier Parish Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit.

Mr. Ford reported on a meeting with Mr. Joey French and Mr. Buddy Lucky regarding the matter of incorrect FEMA flood maps for the Shadow Ridge area. He stated that they called FEMA during the meeting, and advised that Mr. Gary Zimmerer, FEMA representative, is to be here next week for further review of the maps. He stated that Mr. Zimmerer advised that there may be funds available to correct the FEMA maps, but it will be a long process to complete.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that Senator Vitter has requested that the police jury forward to him examples of the worst cases in the parish where the new flood map is incorrect.

Mr. Ford advised of a request from a developer regarding a proposed subdivision on Highway 528. He stated that the road in the proposed development is located in Webster Parish and advised that lots on the west side of the road will be located in Bossier Parish and lots on the east side of the road will be located in Webster Parish. Mr. Ford stated that gravel streets are proposed and stated that Webster Parish regulations allow gravel roads in a subdivision. Mr. Ford

to further review this matter.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to amend the agenda to consider a proposal from Raley & Associates to conduct a centerline study on Wemple Road. Motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Altimus, Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Butler, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Meachum, Mr. Plummer.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Butler, to accept the proposal of Raley & Associates, in the amount of \$5,500, to conduct a centerline study of Wemple Road from Old Brownlee east to Lakewood Subdivision to ensure that the proposed bike trail is compatible with this roadway section. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Butler requested an update on the Bellevue Road project. Mr. Ford advised that Ms. Grappe is continuing with the acquisition of right-of-way for the project, and stated that clearing and grubbing work must be done. He stated that he hopes to begin the road project in the first quarter of 2010.

Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, presented a report on various road projects and activities of the highway department.

Mr. Butler advised of a complaint on Round Grove Road regarding cars bottoming out while entering and exiting their driveway due to unlevel areas in the road surface. Mr. Ford advised that in the future, the parish will contract out for milling the existing asphalt surface.

Mr. Johnston advised that he has received a request that Posey Lane be accepted into the parish road system. The matter was referred to the Parish Attorney for his review, and to the staff for right-of-way determination. The request will be placed on the April 1, 2009 agenda for further consideration.

Mr. Darby requested that Mr. Kenneth Starnes, Section 8 Housing Director, be asked to attend the April 1, 2009 regular meeting to provide a report on activities of the housing program. He further requested that Mr. Kenny Loftin be asked to attend the April 1, 2009 regular meeting to provide an update on the juvenile detention center.

Mr. Altimus encouraged jurors to attend the Industrial Development Committee meeting scheduled at 6:00 p.m. tonight in the police jury meeting room.

Mr. Benton commended Mr. Jackson for his presentation during a meeting recently held in Washington, D.C., with military and political figures.

Mr. Jackson reported that only one comment and one request for the proposed oil and gas ordinance has been received. He stated that he will have a final draft of the proposed oil and gas ordinance for consideration at the April 1, 2009 regular meeting.

Mr. Jackson advised that a meeting with Mr. Jerry Osborne, Foley & Judell, is scheduled on Friday, March 20, 2009 in New Orleans to discuss the availability of Federal funds for the proposed Sewer District No. 1.

Finance Committee Report – March 18, 2009, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 18th day of March, 2009, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with all members present:

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Darby, to authorize payment of 2009 annual membership dues of \$12,000 to the Police Jury Association of Louisiana. Motion carried with Mr. Altimus abstaining from vote.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to authorize payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$3,218.02 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of February, 2009, as follows:

Plumbmaster	\$67.41
Jayroes Hardware & Garden	\$40.55
Mid South Fire Protection	\$2,620.00
Storer Equipment Sales	\$37.56
American Refrigeration & Ice	\$164.50
Cannon Service, Inc.	\$288.00

Motion carried with Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran and Mr. Hammack abstaining from vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to authorize payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of February, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Darby, to authorize Mr. Cummings and Mr. Meachum to attend the 2009 NACO Annual Conference in Nashville, Tennessee on July 24-28, 2009. Motion

carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Johnston, that Mr. Cummings and Mr. Altimus will contribute \$250 each from discretionary funds, for a total of \$500 to Keep Bossier Beautiful for the annual Earth Day Fest. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Ms. Bennett, that Mr. Cummings will contribute \$1,000 from discretionary funds to Meadowview Elementary School for banners, posters and bumper stickers for the Positive Support Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Darby, that Mr. Altimus, Mr. Cummings and Mr. Darby will contribute \$358.87 each from matching discretionary funds, for a total of \$1,076.60 to Bossier High School for track uniforms for the boys and girls track teams. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Darby, to adopt a resolution congratulating the Bossier High School boys basketball team for achieving the Class 4A runner title up on March 13, 2009.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2009, the Bossier High School boys basketball team claimed the Class 4A runner up title in the championship game against Salmen in Lafayette, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, members of both the offensive and defensive teams are truly among the best in Louisiana; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that it does hereby congratulate the Bossier High School boys' basketball team for their outstanding accomplishments.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of March, 2009.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of March, 2009, motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY