

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
MINUTES
August 5, 2009

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 5th day of August, 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. Barry Butler and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jimmy Cochran. 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. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to amend the agenda to add Ms. Jeri Castellani. 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

Ms. Njeri Camara, Alliance for Education, discussed the establishment of a Human Services District in northwest Louisiana.

Mr. Russell Semon, Office of Mental Health, stated that there are currently four Human Services Districts in the State that are each managed by a 12-member Board. He stated that the Board is comprised of a representative from each of the nine parishes in the District, and three members appointed by the Governor.

Mr. Altimus asked if the jury's participation in the Human Services District is mandatory. Mr. Semon stated that it is the intent of Human Service District legislation to have Human Services Districts throughout the State. Mr. Altimus expressed concern regarding State funding for the proposed Human Services District, advising that Human Services Districts are often the first to be affected by State budget reductions. Mr. Semon stated that grant funding may also be available.

Ms. Trudy Abner, Office of Addictive Disorders, urged jurors to visit their facilities and stated that the creation of additional Human Services Districts in the State will be beneficial.

Mr. Julian Darby was not present.

Ms. Jeri Castellani requested information on the proposed Linton Road Improvements Project. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that the proposed detour route to Highway 162 is the only available route. He stated that 30 days of closure is needed to complete the project. Mr. Skip James, Aillet, Fenner, Jolly & McClelland, Inc., was present, and advised that safety is the main concern. He stated that AFJM and the contractor will do everything possible to minimize any problems. Mr. James stated that hills will be flattened and there is no way to maintain traffic during this process. He stated that the work will be done as quickly as possible.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that the construction of a temporary detour road would double the cost of the project. Ms. Castellani asked when the project will begin. Mr. James stated that the start date is not certain, but advised that message boards will be placed on the road to notify the public two weeks prior to the start of construction. He further stated that signs will be provided to mark the detour route.

Mr. Jackson stated that this is a very complicated project and there have been delays in the acquisition of right-of-way.

Ms. Castellani expressed concern regarding the increase in traffic along the detour route during construction.

Mr. Wade Brooks expressed appreciation for the proposed road improvements, but stated that the timing of the project is bad due to the start of school. He stated that school bus drivers will be required to change their routes.

Ms. Renee Hall asked if paved shoulders are proposed. Mr. James advised that an eight-foot paved shoulder with inside guardrails is planned in the new curve which is to be a five degree curve. He stated that this will greatly improve traffic safety on the road.

Mr. Benton stated that the police jury reviewed this project carefully and is doing what is necessary to make the Linton Road a safer road to travel.

Mr. Jesse Williams, former police juror for the Linton Road area, stated that he worked on this project for many years and urged the jury to proceed.

No bids were received for the sale of surplus property described as Lots 54 and 55, Blk. F, a resubdivision of part of Macks Bayou Plantation.

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to adopt property tax millage rates for the year 2009. **Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to adopt an ordinance levying the 2009 property tax millage rates for the General Alimony Tax, Highway Tax, Library Tax, Health Unit Tax and Corrections Facilities Tax. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE NO. 4294

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, in a public hearing held on August 5, 2009, and conducted in accordance with the open meetings law, that the following millage rates be and hereby are levied upon the dollar assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said parish for the year 2009 for the purpose of raising revenue:

General Alimony Tax		Millage
Mill Key #1026008	Outside Bossier City	2.63 mills
Mill Key #1026009	Inside Bossier City	1.31 mills
Highway Tax		
Mill Key #1026018		1.99 mills
Library Tax		
Mill Key #1026015		7.48 mills
Health Unit Tax		
Mill Key #1026013		0.82 mill
Corrections Facilities Tax		
Mill Key #1026051		2.32 mills

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Meachum. It was duly adopted on this 5th day of August, 2009, 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

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Darby, to levy a user fee of \$36.00 per year for the purpose of paying the costs of any and all emergency medical transportation and services in the Bossier Parish Emergency Medical Services District for the year 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 4295

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A USER FEE OF \$36.00 PER YEAR (MILL KEY #1026053) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF ANY AND ALL EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION AND ALL EMERGENCY SERVICES IN THE BOSSIER PARISH EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT, PARISH OF BOSSIER, STATE OF LOUISIANA, FOR THE YEAR 2009, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Bossier Parish Emergency Medical Service District, in regular and legal session on the 5th day of August, 2009, that in accordance with law, a user fee of \$36.00 per year for the year 2009, shall be assessed persons owning each residential or commercial structure either occupied or unoccupied, located wholly or partly within the boundaries of the said District, each residential or commercial structure being defined as each residential or commercial unit in a structure and each housing unit within a multiple structure, and a mobile home, as defined in R. S. 9:1149.s(3), for the purpose of paying the costs of any and all emergency medical transportation and all emergency services incidental thereto, as authorized and approved at a special election held in said District on October 16, 1993.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that the proper administrative officers of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized and directed to extend said user fee against assessment roll of said District for the year 2009, and to make the collection of the user fee imposed for and on behalf of said District, according to law, and that the user fee herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to said user fee as set forth by law, and the collection shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Darby. It was duly adopted on this 5th day of August, 2009, with the following vote recorded:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt an ordinance levying an acreage tax of eight cents per acre on all forest lands and cut-over potential forest lands situated in Bossier Parish for the year 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 4296

AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY AN ACREAGE TAX (MILL KEY #1026043) OF EIGHT CENTS PER ACRE ON ALL FOREST LANDS AND CUT-OVER POTENTIAL FOREST LANDS, SITUATED IN BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE ASSESSOR IN AND FOR BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, TO ASSESS AND EXTEND SAID TAX ON THE TAX ROLL, AND TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT TAX TO BE COLLECTED BY THE SHERIFF AND EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR IN AND FOR BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF SAID FUNDS COLLECTED, ALL ACCORDING TO LAW.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Bossier Parish in regular and legal session on the 5th day of August, 2009, that for the year 2009 there shall be levied on acreage a tax of eight cents per acre on all forest

lands and cut-over potential forest lands situated in Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that this acreage tax shall be assessed and extended on the tax roll of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, by the Parish Assessor in the same manner as the assessment and extension on the tax rolls of the other taxes.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that said acreage tax shall be collected by the Sheriff and Ex-Officio Tax Collector of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in the same manner as other parish taxes and when so collected shall be remitted to the Department of the Government having jurisdiction over the practice of forestry for deposit into the State Forestry Fund.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that said acreage tax shall be collected and deposited all in accordance with the law.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Cochran. It was duly adopted on this 5th day of August, 2009, with the following vote recorded:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to adopt the property tax millage rate for Bossier Parish Fire District No. 6 for the year 2009. **Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to take no action on this matter. Motion carried unanimously.**

The boundaries of East Central Bossier Parish Fire District No. 1 are currently being amended and enlarged to include Bossier Parish Fire District No. 6.

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the amended plat of the proposed development of The Perfect Place, Unit 2, located in Section 28, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Ms. Renee Hall stated that the changes result in one less lot on each side of the street, and more green space in the development. Mr. Ford reminded jurors that the streets in this development are private.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Butler, to approve the amended plat of the proposed development of The Perfect Place, Unit 2, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to schedule a public hearing on September 2, 2009, to consider the application of Brushy Creek Land Co., LLC, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 105.149 acre tract of land located east of existing St. Charles Court along Willow Chute Bayou in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to R-LD, PUD, Residential-Low Density District, Planned Unit Development, for an extension to a subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to schedule a public hearing on September 2, 2009, to consider the application of Mat Gates to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of Lot 1, Horseshoe Acres Subdivision, Bossier Parish, LA, located on the south side of Sligo Road across from Maxwell Road, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to R-MHP, Residential Manufactured Housing Park, for a mobile home park. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that large lots are planned which will be owned by one individual. He stated that the owner plans to rent the lots to persons working in oil/gas operations.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on September 2, 2009, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of The Crossing at Wemple, located in Section 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Avery, to schedule a public hearing on September 2, 2009, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Clear Creek, Unit No. 1, located in Section 26, Township 20 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on September 2, 2009, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Old River Place, Unit No. 5, being a resubdivision of a portion of Lot 31, Lot 32, and a portion of Lot 33, Old River Place, Unit No. 2, located in Section 22, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Richard Gunter, Bossier Parish Property Standards Officer, reported on a meeting of the Property Standards Board of Review. Mr. Frederick Parsons, owner of property at 1509 Rocky Trail, Haughton, LA, was present, and advised that he has moved several items but he is unable to do any work in the backyard because it is too wet. Mr. Parsons stated that he has also raked up the trash.

Mr. Gunter stated that Mr. Parsons has made some improvements, but the property is not in compliance with property standards regulations. He presented current photographs of the property and stated that much more work is needed. Mr. Parsons requested an additional 30 days in which to complete the clean up of his property. **Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby, to allow the owner of property at 1509 Rocky Trail, Haughton, LA, an additional 30 days in which to bring his property into compliance with property standards regulations. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Altimus presented the following recommendations of the Property Standards Board of Review:

(1) 245 Franwood Road, Elm Grove, LA

Recommended that the owner be granted an additional 30 days in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations.

(2) 5433 Amber Circle, Benton, LA

Property is in compliance, recommended that condemnation proceedings be dismissed.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to accept the recommendations of the Property Standards Board of Review, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunter presented current photographs of property at 113 Mildred Street, Benton, LA. Mr. Altimus advised that it is recommended by the Property Standards Board of Review that this property be condemned. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to proceed with condemnation of property at 113 Mildred Street, Benton, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Gunter presented photographs of property at 2114 Coastal Drive, Princeton, LA. He stated that there are inoperable vehicles and four mobile homes on the property. Mr. Gunter stated that it appears the property is vacant. **Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a condemnation hearing on August 19, 2009, to consider condemnation of property at 2114 Coastal Drive, Princeton, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Ford reported on a meeting of the Subdivision Regulations Committee. He stated that representatives of Owen and White, Inc., were present and provided updated information on several projects. Mr. Ford further stated that the matter of drainage problems in various subdivisions in the parish was also discussed.

Mr. Ford stated that Ms. Brenda Petricko, River Ridge Subdivision Community Organizer, presented information on the need for recycling facilities in neighborhoods and additional recycling facilities around Bossier Parish.

Mr. Ford stated that the matter of permit violations on mobile homes and pools was discussed. He stated that representatives of IBTS will personally visit local mobile home and pool dealers to explain parish permit regulations. Mr. Ford stated that representatives of the Health Department and SWEPCO were present and advised of proposed changes in the procedure pertaining to electrical hook-up. He stated that electrical service will not be provided until all Health Department regulations are met, and the required permit is obtained. Mr. Ford stated that IBTS will provide SWEPCO a daily list of the homes inspected.

Mr. Ford stated that there was discussion of doubling the fine for speeding in residential subdivisions. He advised that this is not recommended by the committee at this time.

Mr. Ford reported that an amendment to subdivision regulations is being considered to require that no subdivision lot may be sold until after completion of the streets and the sewer and water.

Mr. Ford advised that IBTS is reviewing the matter of permit violations at oil field offices. He stated that an increase in penalties for permit violations was also discussed.

Mr. William Harris, Jr., was present for discussion of his request for the jury's assistance on Harris Road. Mr. Ford stated that after researching this matter, it has been determined that there is no dedicated road right-of-way and the police jury is not allowed to go onto private property. Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that the police jury can not expend public funds on a private road.

Mr. Harris stated that he has used his personal funds to place gravel on the road and timber companies who own property along Harris Road continue to damage the road. Mr. Jackson stated that Mr. Harris and other property owners on Harris Road need to resolve this matter. Mr. Johnston stated that he will meet with a representative of the timber company to discuss this issue.

Mr. Ford discussed the Whittington Road, advising that the police jury maintains a portion of the road on each end. He stated that a bridge on the road that fell in was never replaced, and the road is impassable for approximately 1.5 miles. Mr. Ford stated that the police jury no longer maintains this portion of the road and it has been requested that the road be restored to a passable condition. He stated that no one lives on the road and it is used by hunters and timber companies.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that the Whittington Road is a parish road and the police jury has the authority to repair, close or abandon the road. He stated that the road can be closed without abandoning it. Mr. Jackson stated that the road can be designated as a substandard road designed for four-wheelers and four-wheel drive vehicles only.

After discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to close the impassable portions of the Whittington Road due to safety concerns, and to table this matter for 30 days to allow further review by the Parish Engineer and the Public Works Director. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Butler, to suspend enforcement of Ordinance No. 4287, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, for sixty (60) days to allow further review and study. Motion carried, with Mr. Cummings opposing.

Mr. Altimus discussed a request from the Town of Plain Dealing for funding for stubbing and pig tailing electrical connections out of the main service boxes at the five parish lift stations located on DeMoss Hill and Carstarphen Heights to be used to connect to a portable generator for emergency power operation. He stated that the cost is \$7,125, and in the event of a power outage, the Town of Plain Dealing could maintain sewer service to these areas. **Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve an expenditure of \$7,125 to the Town of Plain Dealing, as requested. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to authorize the introduction of an ordinance on September 2, 2009, to lease 64.058 acres of property and improvements to the Cyberspace Innovation Center, Inc., authorizing the Parish Administrator of the Bossier Parish Police Jury to sign any and all documents in connection with said lease, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Butler, to adopt an ordinance approving and ratifying a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Bossier City and the Bossier Parish Police Jury in connection with the Cyber Innovation Center, and authorizing Mr. Altimus to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 4297

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE ATTACHED COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY AND THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY, AND AUTHORIZING WILLIAM ALTIMUS, BOSSIER PARISH ADMINISTATOR, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish have a practice of working cooperatively on matters benefiting both political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish recognize the critical importance of Barksdale Air Force Base (sometimes referred to as the "Base" or "Barksdale") to northwest Louisiana and that the jobs created directly and indirectly by the existence of the Base and all military operations in the Bossier area are critical to the ongoing economic stability of the Bossier area; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish agree that evolving missions of Barksdale in areas such as cyber and nuclear warfare as well as emerging influences of other military and governmental agencies in the Bossier area create unprecedented opportunities for both political subdivisions and their citizens and will assist the parties in the creation of economic growth, new businesses, new jobs, and the retention of existing businesses and jobs in the Bossier area; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish believe the creation, development, operation, and maintenance of a research park and related infrastructure improvements specifically designed to assist the Base and its various missions and to attract and assist public and private enterprises related to Base, military, and governmental missions (the "Project") will provide strong economic and educational opportunities to the parties and their citizens and will assist the parties in fulfilling their obligations to their citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish agree that construction of a building of significant size providing heightened and unique levels of survivability, redundancy, and hardness designed for use by public and private tenants which, due to sophisticated technology and intensive security needs, require and value such commercial lease space as an important component of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the federal government periodically conducts base realignment studies for the purpose of determining which military bases should remain open and which should be closed and that one of the critical issues in these studies is local support for the military base and the condition of related infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Project will provide upgraded access and modern facilities to support the Base's various missions, further evidencing the Base's strong local support; and

WHEREAS, this Project will assist the City and the Parish in maintaining the ongoing viability of Barksdale Air Force Base for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish desire to work together in the investment, planning, property acquisition, development, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish agree that development of the Project shall assist the parties in meeting their goals of enhancing economic growth, job opportunities, educational opportunities, tax revenues and the social fabric of the Bossier area; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish have been working cooperatively since February 1, 2007, with regard to the investment, property acquisition, planning, development, and construction of the Project and have worked closely on the Project, sharing responsibilities, decision-making, and expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury, in regular session convened, that the attached Cooperative Endeavor Agreement is hereby approved and ratified;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that William Altimus, Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute the attached agreement and any and all documents in conjunction therewith.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Butler. It was duly adopted on this 5th day of August, 2009, 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

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CINDY A. DODSON

PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN

THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY and THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Be It Known, that this Agreement has been entered into and is effective as of the 1st day of February, 2007, by and between the City of Bossier City, 620 Benton Road, P.O. Box 5337, Bossier City, LA 71171-5337 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "City"), and Bossier Parish through the Bossier Parish Police Jury, 204 Burt Blvd., P.O. Box 70, Benton, LA 71006 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Parish") which have entered into this Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (sometimes herein called "agreement" or "contract") under the following terms and conditions.

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish have a practice of working cooperatively on matters benefiting both political subdivisions;

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish recognize the critical importance of Barksdale Air Force Base (sometimes

referred to as the “Base” or “Barksdale”) to northwest Louisiana and that the jobs created directly and indirectly by the existence of the Base and all military operations in the Bossier area are critical to the ongoing economic stability of the Bossier area;

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish agree that evolving missions of Barksdale in areas such as cyber and nuclear warfare as well as emerging influences of other military and governmental agencies in the Bossier area create unprecedented opportunities for both political subdivisions and their citizens and will assist the parties in the creation of economic growth, new businesses, new jobs, and the retention of existing businesses and jobs in the Bossier area;

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish believe the creation, development, operation, and maintenance of a research park and related infrastructure improvements specifically designed to assist the Base and its various missions and to attract and assist public and private enterprises related to Base, military, and governmental missions (the “Project”) will provide strong economic and educational opportunities to the parties and their citizens and will assist the parties in fulfilling their obligations to their citizens;

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish agree that construction of a building of significant size providing heightened and unique levels of survivability, redundancy, and hardness designed for use by public and private tenants which, due to sophisticated technology and intensive security needs, require and value such commercial lease space is an important component of the Project;

WHEREAS, the federal government periodically conducts base realignment studies for the purpose of determining which military bases should remain open and which should be closed and that one of the critical issues in these studies is local support for the military base and the condition of related infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the Project will provide upgraded access and modern facilities to support the Base’s various missions, further evidencing the Base’s strong local support;

WHEREAS, this Project will assist the City and the Parish in maintaining the ongoing viability of Barksdale Air Force Base for many years to come;

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish desire to work together in the investment, planning, property acquisition, development, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project;

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish agree that development of the Project shall assist the parties in meeting their goals of enhancing economic growth, job opportunities, educational opportunities, tax revenues, and the social fabric of the Bossier area;

WHEREAS, the City and the Parish have been working cooperatively since February 1, 2007, with regard to the investment, property acquisition, planning, development, and construction of the Project and have worked closely on the Project, sharing responsibilities, decision-making, and expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the premises, it is hereby agreed by the City and the Parish that:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to set forth the terms of the cooperative relationship between the Parties as they administer the Project.

II. SCOPE

The **Goal** of the Project is to maintain and enhance the ongoing viability of Barksdale Air Force Base as a major component of the economic viability of northwest Louisiana; to enhance the Base’s ability to obtain new missions; to establish a Cyber Innovation Center (“CIC”) in association with public and private entities; to develop a research park designed to take advantage of any economic development opportunity which does not detract from the Base; and to provide infrastructure improvements which enhance the utility of the research park and the Base.

The **Objectives** of the project are:

1. Highway 511 improvements: property acquisition, planning, design, development, construction, operation and maintenance of said improvements to relieve traffic congestion and assist ingress and egress to Barksdale Air Force Base and facilitate the flow of traffic north and south along the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway;

2. I-220 Interchange: property acquisition, planning, design, development, and construction of improvements to provide easy ingress and egress from Interstate 220 to Barksdale Air Force Base and to facilitate access from Barksdale Air Force Base to the Cyber Innovation Center and related research park;

3. Cyber Innovation Center and research park: property acquisition, planning, design, development, construction, operation, and maintenance of a building of advanced construction and research park for use by public and private enterprises related to Base, military, and governmental missions;

4. Property acquisition, planning, design, development, construction, operation and maintenance of such other specific projects which the parties agree will further the Goal established in Section II of this Agreement.

III. ALLOWABLE COSTS

The City and the Parish hereby authorizes each other to incur Allowable Costs as hereafter defined in connection with the Project. Approval of any cost or expense by one entity shall constitute approval by both entities, establishing liabilities for each entity in the proportion set forth in Section IX.

Allowable Costs shall include any and all costs incurred by the City or the Parish for acquisition, planning, design, development, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project including but not limited to land acquisition, professional fees, employee salaries and benefits, surveys, project inspection, testing, laboratory consultants, permits, insurance, equipment design, purchase and installation, audit expenses and any other costs incurred by the City and the Parish essential to the Project or mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

The total Allowable Costs incurred for the Project pursuant to this Agreement shall not exceed \$50,000,000.00.

IV. USE OF FUNDS

Only Allowable Costs incurred or expended by the parties shall be considered costs made subject to this Agreement. The City and the Parish agree that each party shall be solely responsible for the payment of all costs incurred by such party which are not considered to be Allowable Costs.

V. PUBLIC BID LAWS

The City and the Parish shall obtain services, labor, and materials required for the Project in accordance with the public bid laws of Louisiana. The City and the Parish shall keep procurement files which shall contain the information and data regarding the process as well as the result of procuring these services, labor and materials.

VI. REPORTING AND MONITORING

The City and the Parish shall each comply with all requests by the other party for reporting on the status of the Project and shall permit the inspection and/or audit of all books, records and activities relative to the Project by each party's authorized representative. In addition, each party shall provide the other an annual report ("Cost Report") detailing each party's respective expenditures on the Project. The Cost Report shall include a description of the party's activities and performance pursuant to and in fulfillment of the provisions, goals, and objectives of this Agreement and shall include adequate supporting documentation, including copies of invoices, checks and other appropriate records reflecting reimbursable expenses incurred.

During the term of this Agreement, representatives of the City and the Parish shall discuss with each other the progress and results of the Project, ongoing plans for the continuation of the Project, and any other matters relating to the Project.

VII. COORDINATION

The City and the Parish represent and warrant to each other that no resolution, by-law, or provision in the charter of the City or the Parish is in effect, nor has there been any other action taken by the City or the Parish, which would prevent the completion of and/or utilization of the Project and property upon which it is to be located for and in accordance with the intended use of the Project.

VIII. CONSTRUCTION OF PROJECT

The City and the Parish shall cooperate to select design professionals in accordance with the provisions of applicable law. The City and the Parish shall execute contracts with the selected design professionals for any necessary design services, which may include the preparation of complete plans, specifications and estimates, including but not limited to surveys, environmental processing, preliminary and final plans, assistance in preparation of the construction proposal and advertisements for the Project and for construction contract management and for construction inspection.

Construction contracts and any other contract, purchase order, certificate or permit necessary to construction, performance and completions of the Project, will be prepared and approved by The City and the Parish.

Any change order for the Project shall be subject to the approval of the City and the Parish.

IX. REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

The City shall bear two-thirds (2/3) of all Allowable Costs of the Project, an amount which shall not exceed \$33,333,334.00. The Parish shall bear one-third (1/3) of all Allowable Costs of the Project an amount which shall not exceed \$16,666,666.00. The City's and the Parish's submission of each annual Cost Report shall constitute a certification that such expenses have been incurred solely in conjunction with the Project, is an Allowable Cost, and the reporting party is entitled to be reimbursed for any amounts which exceed that party's proportionate share set forth above. Prior to submission for reimbursement, the City and the Parish must review and approve each such invoice. All original documentation supporting the Cost Report shall be maintained by the City and the Parish, and shall be subject to review and audit.

Each party may require the other to submit full written documentation and justification of any cost which the reporting entity maintains is an Allowable Cost.

X. OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY

The City and the Parish shall have joint ownership of all property movable, immovable, corporeal, or incorporeal acquired as a part of the Project in the following proportion:

Bossier City: 2/3

Bossier Parish: 1/3

XI. ASSIGNMENT OF INTEREST

Neither party may assign any interest in this Agreement or the Project and shall not transfer any interest in same (whether by assignment or novation), without prior written consent of the other party.

XII. TERM

This contract began on February 1, 2007, and shall terminate on January 31, 2027, unless extended in writing by the parties.

XIII. TERMINATION

Either party may terminate this Agreement for cause based upon the failure of the other party to comply with the terms and/or conditions of this Agreement. If within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice, the non-compliant party shall not have either corrected such failure or, in a case which cannot be corrected in thirty (30) days, begun in good faith to correct said failure and thereafter proceeded diligently to complete such correction, then the other party may, at its option, place said non-compliance party in default and this agreement shall terminate on the date specified in such notice.

Each party reserves all rights available to it under Louisiana.

XIV. HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY

Each party agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, save and hold harmless the other party, its officers, agents, servants and employees, including volunteers, from and against any and all claims, demands, expenses and liability arising out of injury or death to any person or the damage, loss or destruction of any property that may occur, or in any way grow out of any act or omission of the City or the Parish, its agents, servants, and employees in connection with this Project or any and all costs, expenses and/or causes of action except for those claims, demands, and/or causes of action arising out of the negligence of the other party, its agents, representatives, and/or employees.

XV. AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENT

The parties hereto agree that, in order to be effective, any amendment hereto shall be in writing and signed by both parties.

XVI. NOTICES

All notices and documentation with respect to this Agreement shall be deemed received the day after such are sent, when sent either by overnight courier, or by first-class mail, postage prepaid and simultaneous facsimile transmission, to the parties at the addresses given below:

If to Bossier City:
Mayor Lorenz Walker,
or his successor in office
620 Benton Road
P.O. Box 5337
Bossier City, LA 71171-5337
Phone: 318.741.8500

If to Bossier Parish Police Jury:
William Altimus, Parish Administrator,
or his successor in office
204 Burt Blvd.
P.O. Box 70
Benton, LA 71006

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be executed by their respective officers hereunto duly authorized as of the day and year written below.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED this _____ day of _____, 2009 at Bossier City, Louisiana.
WITNESSES: CITY OF BOSSIER CITY

Witness

By: _____
Lorenz "Lo" Walker, Mayor

Witness

THUS DONE AND SIGNED this _____ day of _____, 2009 at Bossier City, Louisiana.
WITNESSES: BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Witness

By: _____
William Altimus, Parish Administrator

Witness

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Butler, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Arthur Ray Teague Construction/LA 612 Intersection Improvements Project, 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 August, 2009, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Arthur Ray Teague Construction/LA 612 Intersection 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. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Butler. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of August, 2009.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to adopt a resolution ratifying Mr. Altimus' signature on a Professional Services Agreement with Public Solutions Group, Ltd. to perform a fleet analysis and compile an emission baseline for Bossier Parish's on-road fleet. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of August, 2009, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a Professional Services Agreement with Public Solutions Group, Ltd., to perform a fleet analysis and compile an emission baseline for Bossier Parish's on-road fleet.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of August, 2009.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Altimus stated that following an analysis of parish vehicles, there are 15 trucks that can be repowered with new compressed natural gas engines. He stated that grant funds are available to pay 75% of the cost, and stated that the cost to the jury is approximately \$16,000 per vehicle. Mr. Altimus recommended that the jury pursue grant funds for this project. The jury concurred.

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to approve a request from the Town of Plain Dealing for assistance with the overlay of certain streets within the Town, with the Town of Plain Dealing paying all labor, fuel and material costs. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to establish a 35 mile per hour speed limit on the Cotton Valley Road. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 4298

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SPEED OF VEHICLES ON COTTON VALLEY ROAD LOCATED IN SECTIONS 1, 12, 13, 23, 24, 26, 27, 32, 33 AND 34, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, AND IN SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND PROVIDING THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 5th day of August, 2009, that from and after the effective date of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a vehicle upon Cotton Valley Road located off Bodcau Dam Road in Sections 1, 12, 13, 23, 24, 26, 27,

32, 33 and 34, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, and in Section 5, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in excess of thirty-five (35) miles per hour.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of August, 2009.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Altimus advised of correspondence from the Corps of Engineers advising that they anticipate completion of the Bossier Parish levee certification report by September 30, 2009. He stated that the completed report will then be forwarded to FEMA Region VI for approval.

Mr. Altimus advised that he has been contacted by a member of Senator Vitter's staff regarding the parish's request for assistance with Bossier Parish flood maps. He stated that Senator Vitter's office will make inquiries to FEMA and should have a response shortly.

Mr. Altimus advised that a Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony will be held at the new Parkway High School on Friday, August 07, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. He stated that he will be attending the activation of Global Strike Command at Barksdale Air Force Base at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Altimus advised of correspondence from Susie Morgan, lobbyist, advising that the Senate Appropriations Committee passed the FY2010 Transportation Appropriations Bill. He stated that the Senate version of the Bill contains \$850,000 for the Bossier Parish Congestion Relief Plan.

Jurors were provided a copy of district reports from the highway department.

Mr. Altimus discussed progress at the Camp Minden facility, advising that construction is going well. He stated that a resolution requesting the jury's continued support of the project will be presented for consideration at the August 19 regular meeting.

Mr. Altimus reported that he went on a fly-over of Lake Bistineau and it appears that efforts to control the growth of salvinia in the lake have not been successful.

Mr. Altimus reported that an evacuation drill will be held at the courthouse on Friday at 3:30 p.m., and will involve local police and fire departments.

Mr. Ford provided an update on the East/West Corridor project, advising that a draft of the preferred corridor study indicates the route north of Perry's Grocery on Benton Road.

Mr. Ford reported on a meeting regarding drainage problems in Forest Hills Subdivision, advising that a proposed improvement project should go out for bid this fall. He stated that Mr. Ed Kennon, developer, has offered his assistance.

Mr. Ford presented an update on the courthouse cooling system. He stated that the Sheriff has asked that an independent cooling system be considered for his computer room.

Mr. Avery discussed the shopping center at the intersection of Kingston Road and Benton Road, and stated that he understood that a privacy fence was to be constructed between the adjacent residential properties and the shopping center. Mr. Ford stated that he will check on this with the Benton Metropolitan Planning Commission.

Mr. Avery requested that Mr. Ford contact the developer of Kingston Place Subdivision regarding the quality of the lighting at the subdivision entrance.

Mr. Ford stated that Mohr & Associates will be providing survey work for various projects.

Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, provided an update on the status of the 2009 Road Overlay Program.

Mr. Andrews reported that structures at 322 Johnson Drive and on Circle Street have been torn down, and stated that the properties will be cleaned up when the debris is hauled off.

Mr. Altimus expressed appreciation to parish crews for the work on the Caplis Sligo Road bridge.

Mr. Cochran advised of new legislation which provides that bicyclists are to be provided three feet of right-of-way. He asked the status of the requested "Share the Road" signs on Swan Lake Road.

Mr. Johnston asked if his matching discretionary funds can be used to purchase fish to kill the moss in Plain Dealing Lake. The Parish Attorney is to research this request.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve the request of Cypress Black Bayou Recreation & Water Conservation District for a parish bulldozer to reclaim dirt that has washed into the lake. Motion carried unanimously. Ms. Bennett stated that a drawdown of the lake is planned and when the water has receded enough, the equipment is needed to reclaim the sand and dirt, and to spread and smooth much of the beach area.

She stated that it should be in late October or November.

Ms. Bennett advised of a request from fifth graders at Legacy Elementary School for recycling bins for paper and plastic products. Mr. Altimus stated that he will review this and see if bins are available.

Mr. Cummings reported on his attendance at the Annual NACo Conference recently held in Nashville, TN, advising that Louisiana had the largest delegation in attendance at the event.

Mr. Meachum also attended the conference and reported that most areas are not familiar with the Global Strike Command.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of August, 2009, **motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

GLENN BENTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY