

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
MINUTES

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 16th day of November, 2011, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Rick Avery, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Barry Butler and the pledge of allegiance was led by Ms. Wanda Bennett. 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 Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to adopt the minutes of the October 5, 2011, and the October 19, 2011, regular meetings, and the October 19, 2011, Finance Committee meeting, as published.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Ms. Deborah Harkins, McGlinchey Stafford, PLLC, Mr. William Trotter, Co-Owner of Margaritaville Resort Casino, and Mr. Paul Alanis, Co-Manager, were present. Ms. Harkins stated that they are working to educate the public on the positive economic impact the proposed Margaritaville Resort Casino will have on this area if approved at the November 19, 2011, election.

Mr. Alanis stated that the proposed Margaritaville Resort Casino will be located at the Louisiana Boardwalk in Bossier City next to Bass Pro Shop, and advised that they will work with representatives of the Boardwalk and Bass Pro Shop in cross-marketing efforts to bring attractions to the area for all ages. He stated that in anticipation of a favorable vote on Saturday, November 19th, plans are in the final stages for a construction start date of January, 2012. Mr. Alanis stated that a 16-month construction period is anticipated for the project, with an opening date of May, 2013.

Mr. Trotter provided information on the restaurant and buffet area, and stated that this will be a beautiful resort with many amenities and a great atmosphere. He stated that the proposed development is unique and unlike anything citizens of Bossier Parish have experienced. Mr. Trotter stated that there are areas of the proposed casino resort which will be available for many types of community events, and stated that top-name entertainers will be coming to the resort. He stated that the proposed Margaritaville Resort Casino is truly a resort destination. Mr. Trotter stated the proposed casino resort will bring approximately 1,200 jobs to the area and urged the citizens of Bossier Parish to vote "yes" in support of this resort casino at the Saturday, November 19th election.

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the application of Jay Carney/Heritage Construction Co., Inc., to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 42.54 acres, more or less, situated north of and adjacent to Willow Lake Subdivision, in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to R-MD, Residential-Medium Density District, for a townhouse development.

Ms. Dodson advised that a letter has been received from Coyle Engineering, Inc., advising that the application of Jay Carney/Heritage Construction Co., Inc., for a zoning amendment, has been withdrawn.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Butler, to schedule a public hearing on December 7, 2011, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Kingston Plantation Subdivision, Unit No. 3A, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public hearing on December 21, 2011, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Le Maison Court Subdivision, Unit No. 4, being a resubdivision of Lots 20, 25, and 26, Le Maison Court Subdivision, Unit No. 1, Lots 1A, 2A, 1000A, Le Maison Court Subdivision, Unit No. 2, and Lots 21A, 22A, 23A, 24A, 27A, 30A, and 1001A, Le Maison Court Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 8, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and being a Planned Unit Development.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to schedule a public hearing on December 7, 2011, for adoption of the 2012 Bossier Parish Police Jury budget.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to schedule a public hearing on December 21, 2011, to consider adoption of the Bossier Parish Police Jury 2011 amended budget.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Cochran referred to the 2012 budget request of the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department for new computers at the jail facilities, advising that he recommends that the police jury replace 15 computers in 2012 and 15 computers in the year 2013, with Mr. Firth creating a rotation schedule for future replacement of the computers.

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 5433 Amber Circle, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Heath Lyles, Property Standards Officer, presented current pictures of the property and reported that the property owner has cleaned up the property. He recommended that condemnation proceedings be dismissed.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Butler, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at 5433 Amber Circle, Benton, LA.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt a resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, October 22, 2011, to authorize an additional homestead exemption in the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Article VII, Section 21(K) of the Louisiana Constitution.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Hammack and seconded by Mr. Cochran:

RESOLUTION

A resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, October 22, 2011, to authorize an additional homestead exemption for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. Canvass. This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulations of votes cast at the special election held in the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2011, to authorize an additional homestead exemption for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses, and said Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the special election.

SECTION 2. Procès Verbal. A *Procès Verbal* of the canvass of the returns of said election shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Bossier, who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of said Parish; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

SECTION 3. Promulgation of Election Result. The result of said election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: 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

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 16th day of November, 2011.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

PROCES VERBAL AND PROCLAMATION OF THE CANVASS OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2011.

BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED that on Wednesday, November 16, 2011, at two o'clock (2:00) p.m., at its regular meeting place, the Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), and being the authority ordering the special election held therein on Saturday, October 22, 2011, with the following members present:

William Altimus, Rick Avery, Wanda Bennett, Glenn Benton, Barry Butler, Jimmy Cochran, J. Brad Cummings, Jerome Darby, Wayne Hammack, Winfred Johnston, Hank Meachum, Paul (Mac) Plummer;

There being absent: None

did, in open and public session, examine the official certified tabulations of votes cast at the said election, and did examine and canvass the returns of the said election, there having been submitted at said election the following proposition, to wit:

DISABLED VETERANS HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

Summary: Authorizes an additional homestead exemption in the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Article VII, Section 21(K) of the Louisiana Constitution.

Shall an additional homestead exemption be authorized in the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Article VII, Section 21(K) of the Louisiana Constitution, provided that this

additional homestead exemption shall extend and apply to property in Bossier Parish only after approval by a majority of the registered voters of Bossier Parish voting on this proposition?

There was found by said count and canvass that the following votes had been cast at the said special election **IN FAVOR OF** and **AGAINST**, respectively, the proposition as hereinabove set forth at the following polling places, to-wit:

POLLING PLACES			VOTE TABULATION	
Ward	Precinct	Location	FOR	AGAINST
01	01	Bellaire Elementary School, 1310 Bellaire Blvd, Bossier City	183	25
01	02	Aulds Library, 3950 Wayne Ave, Bossier City	274	35
01	03	Elm Grove Middle School, 4301 Panther Dr, Bossier City	207	36
01	03A	Elm Grove Middle School, 4301 Panther Dr, Bossier City	205	39
01	03B	Elm Grove Middle School, 4301 Panther Dr, Bossier City	93	14
01	04	Shady Grove Community Center, 3949 Wayne Ave, Bossier City	269	30
01	04A	Shady Grove Community Center, 3949 Wayne Ave, Bossier City	55	3
01	05	Sun City Elementary School, 4230 Van Deeman, Bossier City	132	16
02	01	Benton Town Hall, 105 Sibley St, Benton	226	56
02	02	Apollo Elementary School, 2400 Viking Dr, Bossier City	364	103
02	03	Cope Middle School, 4814 Shed Road, Bossier City	91	15
02	03A	Cope Middle School, 4814 Shed Road, Bossier City	116	11
02	04-1 (A-L)	Airline Baptist Church, 4007 Airline Dr, Bossier City	239	45
02	04-2 (M-Z)	Airline Baptist Church, 4007 Airline Dr, Bossier City	203	34
02	05	Bossier Arts Council, 630 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City	23	3
02	05A	Bossier Arts Council, 630 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City	52	6
02	06	Bossier Elementary School, 322 Colquitt Ave, Bossier City	59	15
02	07	Airline High School, 2801 Airline Dr, Bossier City	185	47
02	08	Butler Educational Complex, 541 Detroit St, Bossier City	42	7
02	09	Plantation Park School, 2410 Plantation Dr, Bossier City	153	42
02	10	Central Baptist Church, 2225 Airline Dr, Bossier City	173	32
02	11	Bossier City Municipal Complex, 620 Benton Rd, Bossier City	51	8
02	11A	Bossier City Municipal Complex, 620 Benton Rd, Bossier City	45	14
02	12A	Rusheon Middle School, 2401 Old Minden Rd, Bossier City	57	13
02	12B	Rusheon Middle School, 2401 Old Minden Rd, Bossier City	64	21
02	12C	Rusheon Middle School, 2401 Old Minden Rd, Bossier City	103	14

POLLING PLACES			VOTE TABULATION	
Ward	Precinct	Location	FOR	AGAINST
02	13	Central Park Elementary School, 900 Central Park Blvd, Bossier City	150	32
02	14	Waller Elementary School, 1130 Patricia Dr, Bossier City	121	16
02	15	Waller Elementary School, 1130 Patricia Dr, Bossier City	70	8
02	16	Kerr Elementary School, 1700 Airline Dr, Bossier City	157	24
02	16A	Kerr Elementary School, 1700 Airline Dr, Bossier City	13	2
02	16B	Kerr Elementary School, 1700 Airline Dr, Bossier City	14	1
02	17A	Meadowview Elementary School, 4312 Shed Rd, Bossier City	52	17
02	17B	Meadowview Elementary School, 4312 Shed Rd, Bossier City	83	19
02	18A	Benton Elementary School, 562 Highway 162, Benton	20	3
02	18B	Benton Middle School, 6140 Highway 3, Benton	203	59
02	18C	Legacy Elementary School, 4830 Swan Lake Rd, Bossier City	265	59
02	18D	Benton Elementary School, 562 Highway 162, Benton	132	38
02	18E	Legacy Elementary School, 4830 Swan Lake Rd, Bossier City	325	62
02	18F	Benton High School, 6136 Highway 3, Benton	75	15
02	19	Greenacres Middle School, 2220 Airline Dr, Bossier City	108	12
02	20	Kerr Elementary School, 1700 Airline Dr, Bossier City	158	22
02	21A	Bossier City First Church of God, 4601 Airline Dr, Bossier City	188	49
02	21B	Asbury United Methodist Church, 3200 N. Airline Dr, Bossier City	330	65
02	21C	W. T. Lewis Elementary School, 4701 Modica Lott Rd, Bossier City	420	61
02	21D	Stockwell Elementary School, 5800 Shed Rd, Bossier City	345	66
02	21E	Greenacres Middle School, 2220 Airline Dr, Bossier City	0	0
02	21F	Stockwell Elementary School, 5800 Shed Rd, Bossier City	130	46
02	21G	W. T. Lewis Elementary School, 4701 Modica Lott Rd, Bossier City	0	0
02	22A-1 (A-L)	Cypress Baptist Church, 4701 Palmetto Rd, Benton	256	50
02	22A-2 (M-Z)	Cypress Baptist Church, 4701 Palmetto Rd, Benton	206	26
02	22B	Cypress Baptist Church, 4701 Palmetto Rd, Benton	234	54
02	22C	Cypress Baptist Church, 4701 Palmetto Rd, Benton	180	34

POLLING PLACES			VOTE TABULATION	
Ward	Precinct	Location	FOR	AGAINST
02	23	Waller Elementary School, 1130 Patricia Dr, Bossier City	22	4
03	01	Cartwright Memorial Health Unit, 305 West Palmetto, Plain Dealing	146	36
03	02	Plain Dealing Library, 208 Mary Lee St, Plain Dealing	174	51
03	03	Northeast Fire District No. 5 Training Center, 605 Kilgore Rd, Plain Dealing	86	25
03	04	Carrie Martin Elementary School, 600 South Perrin, Plain Dealing	194	53
04	01A	Pilgrim Home Baptist Church, 16258 Highway 157, Benton	44	9
04	01B	Pilgrim Home Baptist Church, 16258 Highway 157, Benton	179	34
04	02	Red River Baptist Church, 3301 East Linton Rd, Benton	326	96
04	03A	Princeton Elementary School, 1895 Winfield Rd, Princeton	194	41
04	03B	Rodes Elementary School, 4670 Highway 80, Haughton	69	13
04	03C	Princeton Elementary School, 1895 Winfield Rd, Princeton	66	14
04	03D	Rodes Elementary School, 4670 Highway 80, Haughton	229	49
04	04A-1 (A-L)	Platt Elementary School, 4680 Highway 80, Haughton	211	34
04	04A-2 (M-Z)	Platt Elementary School, 4680 Highway 80, Haughton	161	39
04	04B-1 (A-L)	Platt Elementary School, 4680 Highway 80, Haughton	217	43
04	04B-2 (M-Z)	Platt Elementary School, 4680 Highway 80, Haughton	161	36
04	05A	Haughton High School, 210 East McKinley Ave, Haughton	125	26
04	06-1 (A-L)	Haughton Town Hall, 118 West McKinley Ave, Haughton	232	48
04	06-2 (M-Z)	Haughton Town Hall, 118 West McKinley Ave, Haughton	180	53
04	07-1 (A-L)	South Bossier FD #2 Fire Station, 3551 Highway 527, Elm Grove	185	49
04	07-2 (M-Z)	South Bossier FD #2 Fire Station, 3551 Highway 527, Elm Grove	152	20
04	08A	Heritage Baptist Church, 5580 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City	236	33
04	08B	Parkway High School, 2010 Colleen Drive, Bossier City	447	73
04	08C	Fellowship United Methodist Church, 4750 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City	55	8
04	08D	Waller Elementary School, 1130 Patricia Dr, Bossier City	32	3

POLLING PLACES			VOTE TABULATION	
Ward	Precinct	Location	FOR	AGAINST
04	08E	Parkway High School, 2010 Colleen Drive, Bossier City	110	35
04	08F	Fellowship United Methodist Church, 4750 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City	7	1
04	09	Elm Grove Elementary School, 1541 Old Highway 71, Bossier City	279	78
04	10-1 (A-L)	Curtis Elementary School, 5600 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City	162	26
04	10-2 (M-Z)	Curtis Elementary School, 5600 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City	155	21
04	11A	Central Assembly of God Church of Haughton, 700 Highway 80 East, Haughton	209	32
04	11B	East 80 Branch Library, 1050 Bellevue Rd, Haughton	311	44
04	11C	Central Assembly of God Church of Haughton, 700 Highway 80 East, Haughton	151	31
ABSENTEE			2,271	379
TOTALS			15,677	3,061
MAJORITY FOR			12,616	

The polling places above specified being the only polling places designated at which to hold the said election, it was therefore shown that there was a total of **15,677** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** the Proposition and a total of **3,061** votes cast **AGAINST** the Proposition, as hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of **12,616** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** the Proposition as hereinabove set forth.

Therefore, the Governing Authority did declare and proclaim and does hereby declare and proclaim in open and public session that the Proposition as hereinabove set forth was duly **CARRIED** by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the said special election held in the Parish on Saturday, October 22, 2011.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Benton, Louisiana, on this, the 16th day of November, 2011.

ATTEST:

/s/ Rick Avery

President

/s/ Cindy Dodson

Secretary

PROCLAMATION

I, the undersigned President of the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, the governing authority of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), do hereby declare, proclaim and announce that the proposition submitted at the special election held in the Parish on Saturday, October 22, 2011, was **CARRIED** by a majority of the votes cast at the said special election, all as described and set out in the above *Procès Verbal*.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Benton, Louisiana, on this, the 16th day of November, 2011.

/s/ Rick Avery

President

Mr. Butch Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that the Commerce Drive turn lane is located inside Bossier City limits, and stated that he will forward the maintenance bond to the City of Bossier City for their approval and acceptance into the City's street maintenance system.

Motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to submit the maintenance bond for the Commerce Drive Turn Lane to the City of Bossier City for their approval and acceptance into the City's street maintenance system for permanent maintenance.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve the following applications for renewal of Bossier Parish beer/liquor licenses for the year 2012, subject to approval by the health department.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** Each application has been approved by the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department.

A Pair of Kings

Airline Exxon

Circle K Store

Country Corner

Haughton Food Mart

Oakland Country Club

Our Place Bar & Grill

Rascals Bar & Grill
 Reynolds Bar & Grill
 Reynolds Grocery
 Rogers Corner Store
 The Cellar Fine Wine & Spirits
 Winfield Road Grocery

Motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Cyril Hicks to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission Board of Directors for a six-year term, term to expire January 1, 2018.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Ronnie Poole and Mr. James Pepper to the East-Central Bossier Parish Fire District No. 1 Board of Commissioners for two-year terms each, terms to expire December 31, 2013.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Ford presented Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services with Balar Engineers & Surveyors for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1, stating that this amendment provides for an increase in the additional services fee for topographic surveying as previously amended from \$325,000 to \$389,386, and adds an additional service fee for financial assistance in the amount of \$29,614. He stated that the increased fees are the result of work performed by Balar over a two-year period that was not approved by the police jury prior to the work being done. Mr. Ford stated that he does not recommend approval of this amendment to the contract. Mr. Butler stated that it is his understanding that Balar was aware when the original contract was signed that any additional work must be approved by the police jury prior to beginning the work.

Ms. Bennett asked if this additional work was necessary. Mr. Ford stated that there is some question as to whether the work performed was necessary. He stated that as a part of feasibility studies for the project, financial breakdowns were required to confirm that debt obligations could be met if Department of Environmental Quality funding for the project was approved. Mr. Ford stated that he requested on several occasions that the financials be amended, and that he understood that this was covered in our current scope. He advised that additional payment for these updates was never requested. Mr. Ford stated that Balar has now submitted the amendment requesting payment for financial services that were performed over a period of approximately two years.

Mr. Ford stated that in 2009, Balar originally submitted a cost estimate of \$150,000 for surveying fees but came back soon after the project began and increased those fees to \$325,000. He stated that this increase was approved. Mr. Ford stated that Balar then performed additional topographic surveying work for an amount of \$65,000, which required police jury approval. He advised that the contract states that all additional work outside the scope of the project must be approved by the police jury prior to the work being provided.

Mr. Underwood stated that the additional topographic survey fees are the result of an invoice Balar received from Denmon Engineering, sub-consultant, in the amount of \$338,000. He stated that it was determined that additional surveying was required and Balar was working under a compressed time frame to meet all deadlines for the project. Mr. Underwood stated that the cost of additional survey work was unexpected. He stated that the additional work was performed on good faith. Mr. Underwood stated that everyone involved on the project was working diligently to meet the time frame, and had he known that at any time contractual obligations were being exceeded, he would have come before the police jury.

Mr. Jackson stated that it is the police jury's practice on projects of this size, a contract be signed, a budget set, and if there are additional costs that are over budget, it is brought before the police jury in advance for approval.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to deny approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Engineering Services with Balar Engineers & Surveyors for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast, with the following vote recorded:**

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

NAYS: Mr. Cochran

ABSTAIN: Ms. Bennett

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Engineering Services with Balar Engineers & Surveyors for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 16th day of November, 2011, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Engineering Services with Balar Engineers & Surveyors, in connection with the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 16th day of November, 2011.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 1 on the Courtney Lane Right Turn Lane and Median Project No. 2011-294, advising that Plan Change No. 1 results in an additional amount of \$16,310.95. He stated that there is some concern with the median design, advising that the Department of Transportation and Development Access Management Plan restricts a southbound vehicle from turning left onto Courtney Lane. Mr. Avery stated that with this design, southbound traffic is required to travel further down, make a u-turn, and come back up to turn onto Courtney Lane. He stated that this creates a safety hazard for motorists.

After further discussion, Mr. Ford is to submit a request to the Department of Transportation and Development for a variance to allow southbound vehicles to turn left off Louisiana Highway 3 onto Courtney Lane. **Motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Courtney Lane Right Turn Lane and Median Project No. 2011-294, and to authorize the President to execute documents.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 16th day of November, 2011, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Courtney Lane Right Turn Lane and Median Project No. 2011-294.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 16th day of November, 2011.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Billy Montgomery provided a report on activities of the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission, advising that a Letter of Intent has been submitted to host the 2012/2013 LHSAA Basketball Finals and Wrestling Championship at the CenturyLink arena in Bossier City. He stated that the proposal, which provided for hosting two events, was less than bids received from other entities in Louisiana for hosting only one event, but the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission's proposal was rejected. He advised that the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission may consider submitting a second bid on these two events if the opportunity becomes available.

Mr. Montgomery stated that the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission consists of five members and is working to bring sporting events to this area. Ms. Bennett commended the commission and expressed appreciation for its efforts to promote the Shreveport-Bossier area.

Ms. Rachel Hauser, Assistant Secretary, presented information regarding a request by the Secretary of State's Office and the Police Jury Association to assist in the creation of a quilt entitled "Stitch by Stitch, Binding Together 200 Years of Louisiana History", in commemoration of Louisiana's 200th birthday. She requested that the jurors let her know what they might like to include on the square of the quilt which will represent Bossier Parish.

Mr. Ford reported on a meeting with the Bossier Parish School Board engineer and consultant regarding plans for possible additional school locations. He stated that there is a proposal for a new elementary school to be located between Benton and Bossier City.

Mr. Ford reported on a utility meeting held last week to discuss the matter of possible utility relocations which may be necessary to accommodate parish projects proposed for 2012.

Mr. Ford advised that the Cypress Forest Drainage Improvements Project is complete.

Mr. Ford reported that Bellevue Road will be closed beginning December 1, 2011, for railroad crossing repairs, and will remain closed until further notice. He stated that message boards are in place on Bellevue Road to notify the public of this closure.

Mr. Ford advised that a letter has been received from FEMA acknowledging receipt of protests for the Preliminary Flood Insurance Study Report and Flood Insurance Rate Map for the unincorporated areas of Bossier Parish. He stated that FEMA has advised that until all protests are resolved, FEMA will not issue a Letter of Final Determination and processing of the FIS report and FIRM will be delayed.

Mr. Ford reported that IBTS and the Bossier Parish Assessor's office have received a building permit request from Petrohawk for location of a proposed compressed natural gas fueling station south of Sligo Road. He stated that the proposed fueling station will be an asset for the parish, as several parish vehicles have been converted to compressed natural gas. Mr. Ford stated that the site is located approximately 1,000 feet from a Town of Haughton water well, and advised that a special permit is required due to the drinking water protection ordinance adopted by the police jury in 2008. Mr. Ford advised that he will be asking the Health and Water Sanitation Committee to schedule a meeting to further discuss this matter.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to amend the agenda to consider adoption of a resolution certifying that local matching funds are available and pledged to the Princeton

Sports Complex – Fencing and Lighting at New Ball Fields, Planning and Construction, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-11-01, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute any and all documents in connection with said FP&C Project No. 50-J08-11-01.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the 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

Mr. Bruce Easterly advised that \$200,000 in Capital Outlay funds have been awarded for fencing and lighting at the Princeton Sports Complex, with a condition that the parish will provide matching funds in the amount of \$66,667 for the project. He stated that a resolution by the police jury certifying that local matching funds are available and pledged to the project is required.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt a resolution certifying that local matching funds are available and pledged to the Princeton Sports Complex – Fencing and Lighting at New Ball Fields, Planning and Construction, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-11-01, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute any and all documents in connection with said FP&C Project No. 50-J08-11-01.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 16th day of November, 2011, that it does hereby certify that local matching funds are available and pledged to the Princeton Sports Complex – Fencing and Lighting at New Ball Fields, Planning and Construction, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-11-01.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said FP&C Project No. 50-J08-11-01.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 16th day of November, 2011.

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Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, presented an update on activities of the highway department and on several road projects in the parish.

Mr. Andrews stated that copies of the proposed Three Year Road Overlay Program have been provided and requested input from jurors on any possible changes. Mr. Altimus advised that at the request of the jury, additional funds have been placed in the asphalt fund which will allow more in-house overlay projects. He stated that the proposed road program will be placed on the December 7, 2011, agenda for final approval.

Ms. Bennett provided an update on funds for the new water line project on Buckhall Road, advising that funding through the Community Water Enrichment Fund in the amount of \$37,800 has been approved for the project. She further stated that an application is being submitted for FY 2011-2012 CWF funds in the amount of \$50,000.

Ms. Bennett stated that funding through the Louisiana Government Assistance Program in the amount of \$106,762.05 is approved, and advised that an application is being submitted for additional LGAP funds in the amount of \$35,000.

Mr. Benton requested an update on a possible zoning violation at 1599 Bellevue Road, Haughton, LA. Mr. Jackson stated that he has received information from the Louisiana Department of Motor Vehicles which indicates activities of a used car lot at this location, and that he and representatives of the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission are continuing their investigation into this matter.

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to amend the agenda to adopt a resolution clarifying the amount of acreage sold in the Viking Drive Industrial Park to CenterPoint Energy, to reflect that the police jury approves the sale of “three acres, more or less, in the Viking Drive Industrial Park, to CenterPoint Energy, or its subsidiaries, for a sales price of \$75,000”.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the 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. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to adopt a resolution to clarify the amount of acreage sold to CenterPoint Energy in the Viking Drive Industrial Park on September 7, 2011, said resolution to provide that the police jury “approves the sale of three acres, more or less” to CenterPoint Energy, or its subsidiaries, for a sales price of \$75,000.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 16th day of November, 2011, that it does hereby approve the sale of three acres, more or less, in the Viking Drive Industrial Park, to CenterPoint Energy, or its subsidiaries, for a sales price of \$75,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby allow CenterPoint Energy an extension in its original purchase of property in the Viking Drive Industrial Park to run concurrently with the purchase of property by CenterPoint Energy on September 7, 2011, of one year to start construction and two years thereafter to complete the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute any necessary documents in connection with said sale.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 16th day of November, 2011.

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Finance Committee Meeting – November 16, 2011, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 16th day of November, 2011, 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. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$4,954.18 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of October, 2011, as follows:

Elliott Electric Supply	\$ 89.88
Rinchuso Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	\$ 150.80
Swan Lake Hardware, LLC	\$ 3.99
American Refrigeration & Ice	\$ 65.00
Bobby Brannon Heating & Air Conditioning	\$3,950.00
Bobby Brannon Heating & Air Conditioning	\$ 406.00
Fitzgerald Contractors, Inc.	\$ 200.00
R E Michel Company, Inc.	\$ 35.84
R E Michel Company, Inc.	\$ 9.32
R E Michel Company, Inc.	\$ 40.79
R E Michel Company, Inc.	\$ 2.56

The Chairman called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of October, 2011.

The Chairman called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, that Mr. Benton will contribute matching discretionary funds in the amount of \$2,000, Mr. Cochran and Mr. Butler will contribute matching discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,000 each, Mr. Meachum will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,000, and Mr. Hammack will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$500, for a total of \$5,500, to T. L. Rodes Elementary School for the purchase of playground equipment.

The Chairman called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

Ms. Dodson advised that she attended an appreciation brunch hosted by Central Park Elementary School for entities that have supported the school. She stated that the Principal and staff at Central Park Elementary School sincerely appreciate the police jury's support.

The Finance Committee 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 16th day of November, 2011, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:45 p.m.

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