

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 4th day of April, 2012, 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. Wayne Hammack, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Fred Shewmake. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Cindy Dodson, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby
Ms. Wanda Bennett	Mr. Wayne Hammack
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Mac Plummer
Mr. Bob Brotherton	Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Fred Shewmake
Mr. Sonny Cook	Mr. Jack Skaggs

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. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to adopt a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, in connection with loan funds from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and Tax Exempt Revenue Bonds.

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

The President called for a recess of the meeting of the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier was called to order. **Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Benton, to adopt a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, in connection with loan funds from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and Tax Exempt Revenue Bonds.**

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

The meeting of the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier was adjourned.

The meeting of the Bossier Parish Police Jury was reconvened and called to order by the President.

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider adoption of an ordinance doubling fines for speeding in residential subdivisions.

Mr. Rimmer reported that according to the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office, there have been 111 reported stops and 11 tickets issued in the Dogwood Subdivision through March 14, 2012. He stated that on Dogwood Trail, one ticket has been issued during the year 2012 and nine tickets were issued during the year 2011. Mr. Rimmer stated that he has requested that the sheriff's department provide increased patrol in Dogwood Subdivision.

No action was taken.

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider a request by the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of Lot 5, Eastlake Subdivision, located in Section 35, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from B-3, Community and Central Business District, to R-1, One Family Residence District.

Ms. Nancy Penwell, Benton-Parish MPC, advised that in 1986, Lot 5, Eastlake Subdivision, was zoned B-3, Community and Central Business District, for a commercial business that was never developed. She stated that it is recommended by the Benton-Parish MPC that the zoning be reverted to its original zoning classification of R-A, Residence Agriculture District.

Ms. Penwell stated that at its regular meeting on March 7, 2012, the police jury recommended that the zoning be reverted to R-1, One Family Residence District, as Lot 5, Eastlake Subdivision, is located within an R-1 zoned subdivision. Ms. Penwell advised that in accordance with regulations, the Benton-Parish MPC is required to revert the zoning to the original zoning classification of R-A, Residential Agriculture District. Mr. Jackson stated that with the required two-thirds vote, the police jury can overturn the recommendation of the MPC and approve the recommended R-1 zoning.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to overturn the recommendation of the Benton-Parish MPC, and approve a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of Lot 5, Eastlake Subdivision, located in Section 35, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from B-3, Community and Central Business District, to R-1, One Family Residence District.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4425

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 922 OF 1981, THE BENTON-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION ZONING REGULATIONS, TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM B-3, COMMUNITY AND CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, TO R-1, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened on this 4th day of April, 2012, that Ordinance No. 922 of 1981 of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located in Section 35, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from B-3, Community and Central Business District, to R-1, One Family Residence District, being more particularly described as follows:

Lot 5 a 0.84 acres tract of land in Eastlake Subdivision located in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 35, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana

Applicant: Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission

Purpose: To revert zoning on undeveloped property

The ordinance was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 4th day of April, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Pin Oak Flat Subdivision, located in Section 15, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Charlie Coyle, Coyle Engineering, stated that the proposed development consists of eight lots, two acres or larger in size, with water wells and individual sewerage treatment plants. He stated that site-built homes with a 2,000 square-foot minimum are required.

Mr. Ford stated that the proposed development is located off Allentown Road between Highway 3227 and Highway 164, in an area where sidewalks and streetlights are not required. Mr. Avery requested that each lot owner be required to install a yard light at their driveway. Mr. Ford advised that subdivision covenants for the development are required, and stated that the requirement for a yard light can be included in the covenants.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Pin Oak Flat Subdivision, located in Section 15, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, subject to receipt of a recorded copy of the covenants, and with the stipulation that each lot owner must provide a yard light at the driveway.**

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. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on May 2, 2012, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 16, located in Section 8, Township 18 North, Range 12 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 Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to schedule a public hearing on April 18, 2012, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Cypress Bend Garden District Subdivision, Unit No. 3A, being a resubdivision of Lot 89, Cypress Bend Garden District Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 20, 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 Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on May 2, 2012, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Cypress Bend Garden District Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 20, 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.**

Mr. Brad Thompson, Wilbur Smith Associates, reported on a work session held prior to the meeting regarding a draft of the proposed Parish Land Use Plan and proposed regulations for parishwide zoning. He stated that Wilbur Smith Associates is prepared to move forward with scheduling a series of public meetings to discuss the draft of the proposed land use plan and to begin the framework for proposed parishwide zoning regulations. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to proceed with scheduling a series of public meetings to discuss the draft of the proposed Parish Land Use Plan, and to begin the framework for proposed parishwide zoning regulations**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried, with Mr. Cook opposing.**

Mr. Hammack discussed the matter of board appointments made by the police jury, advising that when board vacancies or reappointments occur, a resume should be required from persons who are interested in serving. He recommended that upon receipt of resumes, the appropriate police jury committee review them and make a recommendation to the jury. Mr. Hammack further recommended that making the public aware of these positions be considered. He requested that fire district boards be excluded.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to table the matter of an appointment to the Bossier City-Parish MPC Board of Directors.**

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

Mr. Rimmer advised that Mr. Lindell Webb has withdrawn his request for appointment to the Bossier Parish Library Board of Control, and requested that the appointment be referred to the Library Board of Control Committee for further consideration. After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to table the matter of an appointment to the Bossier Parish Library Board of Control.**

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

Mr. Ford presented photographs of the Petchak house at 103 Glendale Lane, Haughton, LA, advising that the Parish of Bossier purchased this property as part of a settlement agreement with the Petchaks due to damage to the home as a result of a drainage pipe located under the house. He stated that the parish will have to relocate the drainage pipe prior to selling the property "as is", advising that this could cost as much as \$50,000. Mr. Ford recommended that the house be demolished and the lot offered to the adjacent landowners. Mr. Benton agreed.

After further discussion, it was recommended that Mr. Ford obtain cost estimates for demolition of the house located at 103 Glendale Lane, Haughton, LA, and that he provide a cost analysis for demolition versus surplus of the property in its current condition.

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt a proclamation proclaiming the month of April, 2012, as Fair Housing Month in Bossier Parish.

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

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the 44th Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans – individually and collectively – to rededicate themselves for the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists; and

WHEREAS, this law guarantees each citizen the critical, personal element of freely choosing a home; and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the state of Louisiana, and implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement, and support of each of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the departments and agencies of the state of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen to freely choose a home will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the option of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, The Bossier Parish Police Jury, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2012, as
FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the Parish of Bossier, and do hereby encourage all citizens to abide by the letter of spirit of the Fair Housing Law, and ask the citizens of this Parish to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

The proclamation was offered by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 4th day of April, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to adopt a resolution authorizing the Parish Administrator to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Standard Form of Agreement between Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of Bossier Parish and Denmon Engineering for Phase II of the design and construction of a regional wastewater treatment plant.

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 4th day of April, 2012, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Standard Form of Agreement between Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of Bossier Parish and Denmon Engineering for Phase II of the design and construction of a regional wastewater treatment plant.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 4th day of April, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to authorize the hiring of an appraiser in connection with the purchase of drainage servitudes for the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277, and to authorize the execution of documents as needed.

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 4th day of April, 2012, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, and/or Rick Avery, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents in connection with the hiring of an appraiser for the purchase of drainage servitudes for the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 4th day of April, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to accept the proposal of Wicker Construction in the amount of \$51,925 for Buckhall Road, Phase II, Project No. 2012-354, and to authorize the President to sign any and all documents or contracts.

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 4th day of April, 2012, that Rick Avery, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all

documents and contracts in connection with the proposal of Wicker Construction in the amount of \$51,925 for Buckhall Road, Phase II, Project No. 2012-354.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 4th day of April, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Avery stated that a farmer on Buckhall Road has requested a two-inch water tap at his property as needed for farming purposes, and has offered to pay the cost. Mr. Ford is to review this request.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt an ordinance authorizing the Parish of Bossier to enter into a Local Services Agreement with the City of Bossier City in connection with the acquisition of property for the Eastwood Drainage Project-State Project No. 576-08-0005 (Statewide Flood Control Construction Program), East West Corridor Project-State Project No. 700-08-0130, North South Corridor-State Project No. 702-08-0129, Wafer Road-State Project No. 700-08-0132, I-69-State Project No. 736-99-1032, North Shared Use Trail-Phase 2 and 3, Sligo Road Extension South to La 527 and Bellevue Road Drainage and Roadway Improvement Projects, Public Infrastructure Improvements for Margaritaville Casino/River Colony Road Improvement Project, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute any documents in connection with said agreement.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4426

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PARISH OF BOSSIER TO ENTER INTO A LOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY AND AUTHORIZING THE PARISH ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS IN FURTHERANCE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City mutually benefit from the development of infrastructure which enhances existing businesses and encourages the development of new business entities in both the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City have engaged in joint endeavors regarding the development of industrial parks, juvenile detention facilities, jail operations, research parks, street, highway or road projects, zoning master plans and a uniform development code of which benefits the citizens of Bossier Parish and the City of Bossier City; and

WHEREAS, a Local Services Agreement between the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City will facilitate intergovernmental functions to provide greater economy and efficiency in the operation of local services; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City will benefit by the development created by improving traffic across the parish including the City of Bossier City, by improving streets and roads including Bellevue Road Improvement Project, Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension Project, Sligo Road Widening, Rebouche Road Improvement, Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension North and South including the Traffic Street Widening Project, Texas Street Improvement Project (Highway 80), Hamilton Road Improvement Project with overpass over Union Pacific Railroad, Viking Drive Improvement, Airline Drive Underpass at KCS Crossing, Stockwell Road, Shed Road Widening Project, Swan Lake Road Widening Project, Old Minden Road Extension Project, Swan Lake Realignment Project, Wemple Road Improvements, North Bossier Shared Use Trail (S. P. No. 744-08-0005), Green Road, Tall Timbers Lateral Improvements – Phase 3, Statewide Flood Control (S. P. No. 576-08-0001)(333), Caplis Sligo Road Bridge over Flat River (S. P. No. 713-08-0110), Parks Road Realignment, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, Palmetto Road Improvement, Poole Road Bridge Replacement, Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 1, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 2, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 3, Shared Use Trail, Tall Timbers Later Improvements (Tall Timbers-Phase 3), Palmetto Road Widening Phase 1, Eastwood Drainage Project-State Project No. 576-08-0005 (Statewide Flood Control Construction Program), East West Corridor Project-State Project No. 700-08-0130, North South Corridor-State Project No. 702-08-0129, Wafer Road-State Project No. 700-08-0132, I-69-State Project No. 736-99-1032, North Shared Use Trail-Phase 2 and 3, Sligo Road Extension South to La 527 and Bellevue Road Drainage and Roadway Improvement Projects, Public Infrastructure Improvements for Margaritaville Casino/River Colony Road Improvement Project, being joint projects of both entities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the PARISH OF BOSSIER and the CITY OF BOSSIER CITY are joining together to plan, finance, construct, acquire and/or improve public projects, servitudes, rights of way, easements, streets, highways and roads within the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City; to operate and maintain such public projects or improvements necessary or incidental thereto and to avail themselves of the method of acquisition of public projects, servitudes, rights of way, easements, streets, highways and roads within the Parish of Bossier and/or City of Bossier City, specifically allowed in LSA-R.S. 33:1329, all for and on behalf of the residents of the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Parish of Bossier and/or the City of Bossier City shall have the right individually or jointly to acquire property pursuant to LSA-R.S. 33:1329 in furtherance of the Bellevue Road Improvement Project, Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension Project, Sligo Road Widening, Rebouche Road Improvement, Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension North and South including the Traffic Street Widening Project, Texas Street Improvement Project (Highway 80), Hamilton Road Improvement Project with overpass over Union Pacific Railroad, Viking Drive Improvement, Airline Drive Underpass at KCS Crossing, Stockwell Road, Shed Road Widening Project, Swan Lake Road Widening Project, Old Minden Road Extension Project, Swan Lake Realignment Project, Wemple Road Improvements, North Bossier Shared Use Trail (S. P. No. 744-08-0005), Green Road, Tall Timbers Lateral Improvements – Phase 3, Statewide Flood Control (S. P. No. 576-08-0001)(333), Caplis Sligo Road Bridge over Flat River (S. P. No. 713-08-0110), Parks Road Realignment, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, Palmetto Road Improvement, Poole Road Bridge Replacement, Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 1, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 2, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 3, Shared Use Trail, Tall Timbers Later Improvements (Tall

Timbers-Phase 3), Palmetto Road Widening Phase 1, Eastwood Drainage Project-State Project No. 576-08-0005 (Statewide Flood Control Construction Program), East West Corridor Project-State Project No. 700-08-0130, North South Corridor-State Project No. 702-08-0129, Wafer Road-State Project No. 700-08-0132, I-69-State Project No. 736-99-1032, North Shared Use Trail-Phase 2 and 3, Sligo Road Extension South to La 527 and Bellevue Road Drainage and Roadway Improvement Projects, Public Infrastructure Improvements for Margaritaville Casino/River Colony Road Improvement Project, being joint projects of both entities; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, is authorized to sign the Local Services Agreement containing the provisions set forth herein between the PARISH OF BOSSIER and the CITY OF BOSSIER CITY.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parish of Bossier authorizes the Parish Attorney to take whatever action necessary in furtherance of the joint project set forth herein. If any provisions or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 4th day of April, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 2 on the Buckhall Road, Phase I, Project No. 2011-343, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$450. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve Plan Change No. 2 on the Buckhall Road, Phase I, Project No. 2011-343, 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 4th day of April, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 2 on the Buckhall Road, Phase I, Project No. 2011-343.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 2.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 4th day of April, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 16 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$26,835.06. He stated that due to heavy truck traffic, asphalt thickness has been increased from 3.5 inches to 5.5 inches for approximately 1,500 feet on Bellevue Road at its intersection with Highway 80. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve Plan Change No. 16 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277, 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.**

Mr. Ford reported that Bellevue Road will be reduced to one lane for northbound traffic only from April 9th through 17th. He stated that southbound traffic on Bellevue Road will need to detour onto Winfield Road to Wafer Road to Highway 80, or Dogwood Trail to Stockwell Road to Highway 80. He stated that message boards will be placed on the road, and advised that the Sheriff's Department will provide traffic assistance as needed.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 4th day of April, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 16 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 16.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 4th day of April, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the application of Andrea Jules, Rascoe-Jules, Inc., for a 2012 beer/liquor license at Kings Korner, 756 Highway 80 East, Haughton, LA. The application has been approved by the Sheriff's Department and the Health Department.

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

Mr. William Altimus, Parish Administrator, expressed appreciation to Ms. Connie Cubley, Human Resource Manager, for the organization of ethics training sessions at the courthouse. He stated that a total of 245 employees attended the sessions.

Mr. Altimus reported on Legislative Day held in Baton Rouge on March 27, 2012. He discussed the current Legislative Session, advising that education and retirement are significant issues.

Mr. Altimus extended appreciation to those who attended the presentation of a ceremonial check in the amount of \$17.75 million from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality to the Parish of Bossier for continuation of the establishment and creation of the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1, Parish of Bossier.

Mr. Billy Montgomery reported on a meeting of the Lake Bistineau Task Force, advising that meetings of the task force are now being held on the third Thursday of each month at 10:15 a.m. in Minden. He stated that funds are being raised to purchase an air boat for use on Lake Bistineau only. Mr. Montgomery stated that approximately 50 acres of Lake Bistineau remains infested with salvinia at this time, and that the combined efforts of Bossier, Webster and Bienville Parishes to rid the lake of salvinia have been successful. He stated that the lake is now in good condition.

Mr. Montgomery reported that pesticide training classes for landowners along the lake were well attended. He stated that these classes are provided by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. Mr. Cochran requested that landowners along Lake Bistineau be encouraged to remain indoors during spraying, advising that Wildlife and Fisheries will not spray an area when landowners are outside.

Mr. Altimus presented a letter from Ms. Stacy Brown, Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau, expressing appreciation to the police jury for its support and assistance with the 2012 Bassmaster Classic.

Mr. Hammack requested a copy of a resolution recently adopted by the Caddo Parish Commission supporting an application for Capital Outlay funds for the purpose of lighting, painting and expansion to four-lane, of the Jimmie Davis Bridge.

Mr. Butch Ford, Parish Engineer, advised that Mr. John Sanders, District Administrator for the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, has retired.

Mr. Ford provided a report on the Arthur Ray Teague Extension Project.

Mr. Ford advised that a meeting with the Department of Transportation and Development is scheduled in Baton Rouge to discuss right-of-way plans for the North/South Corridor Project. He stated that DOTD has recommended that the police jury move forward with preliminary engineering plans for the East/West Corridor Project (Winfield Road Extension), advising that approximately \$1.1 million in unobligated funds are available, and it is recommended that these funds be pursued before the end of this year.

Mr. Ford advised that bids for the 2011 LCDBG Street Project, Palmetto Road Widening Project, Parks Road Relocation Project, Gary Rex Circle Improvements, and the Poole Road Realignment Project will be received on May 14, 2012.

In response to a request for information regarding a proposed new entrance to Barksdale Air Force Base, Mr. Altimus advised that URS is performing the environmental study at this time and that federal funds have been set aside for this project.

Mr. Hammack requested that a sign be placed at the site of the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Improvements Project, indicating that this is a project of the Bossier Parish Police Jury. Mr. Ford is to review this matter.

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

Mr. Andrews advised that work on the road overlay program will begin Monday.

A meeting of the Policy and Procedures Committee is scheduled on April 11, 2012, at 1:00 p.m., to review certain policy issues.

A meeting of the Library Board of Control Committee is scheduled on April 11, 2012, at 12:00 p.m., to discuss an appointment to the Bossier Parish Library Board of Control.

Mr. Rimmer requested members of the media present at the meeting to assist the police jury in advising the public of a vacancy on the Library Board of Control and on the Bossier City-Parish MPC Board of Directors. He further requested that resumes for these positions be sent to Mr. Altimus at the Bossier Parish Police Jury office.

Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney, advised that the police jury's former lobbyist and bond attorney, Ms. Susie Morgan, has been named as a Federal Judge in New Orleans.

Ms. Jodee Bruyninckx, Louisiana Oil and Gas Association, advised that she is leaving her position, and introduced her replacement, Mr. Ragan Dickens.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 4th day of April, 2012, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:15 p.m.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY