

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
MINUTES
July 18, 2012

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 18th day of July, 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. Doug Rimmer, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jerome Darby. 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. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Engineer; Ms. Cindy Dodson, Parish Secretary.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to adopt the minutes of the June 6, 2012, and the June 20, 2012, regular meetings, and the June 20, 2012, Finance Committee meeting, as published.

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

Mr. Butch Ford, Parish Engineer, recommended that the low bid of Horton Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$102,250.10, be accepted for the Bayou Bend/Cross Creek/Oak Creek Subdivisions Concrete Street Repair Project No. 2012-367. The matter was tabled on July 3, 2012. **Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to award the bid for the Bayou Bend/Cross Creek/Oak Creek Subdivisions Concrete Street Repair Project No. 2012-367, to Horton Construction Company, Inc., low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on June 26, 2012.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Fessler & Bowman, Inc.	\$122,739.81
F. J. Burnell, Inc.	\$139,366.60
Douglas Construction Company, Inc.	\$160,276.00
Horton Construction Company, Inc.	\$102,250.10
RVP Construction, Inc.	\$121,732.00

Mr. Ford recommended that the low bid of Blount Bros. Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$898,150.00, be accepted for State Project No. 576-08-0001(333)/H.009254, Flood Control Improvements to Tall Timbers Lateral, Phase 3. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to award the bid for State Project No. 576-08-0001(333)/H.009254, Flood Control Improvements to Tall Timbers Lateral, Phase 3, to Blount Bros. Construction, Inc., low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on July 9, 2012.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
F. J. Burnell, Inc.	\$945,556.00
Blount Bros. Construction, Inc.	\$898,150.00

STATE PROJECT NO: 576-08-0001(333)/H.009254
PARISH OF BOSSIER
RESOLUTION

Bossier Parish Police Jury

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury has received bids on the 9th day of July, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. on the Tall Timbers Lateral Improvements flood control project under the Statewide Flood Control Program; and

WHEREAS, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., has recommended that award of contract be made to the lowest qualified bidder; Blount Bros. Construction, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session assembled on this 18th day of July, 2012, acting pursuant to the recommendation of Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., that the base bid in the amount of \$898,150.00 by Blount Bros. Construction, Inc., be accepted and a contract be awarded to them.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the minor Plat of Survey for Jimmy Lane Kent, located in Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA. The matter was tabled on July 3, 2012.

Mr. Jimmy Kent stated that as requested by the police jury on July 3, 2012, he has located recorded documentation indicating that a 20-foot right-of-servitude on the property is publicly dedicated. He stated that Kent Drive is a private gravel road and that property owners along the road wish to continue maintaining the road. Mr. Kent stated that the police jury will not be requested to accept Kent Drive into its parish road system for permanent maintenance.

Mr. Ford stated that Mr. Kent's father owns a 7.406-acre tract of land located off Kent Drive, and is donating

two acres to Mr. Kent. Mr. Benton requested clarification of who owns Kent Drive. Mr. Ford stated that each property owner along Kent Drive donated property for the road.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the minor Plat of Survey for Jimmy Lane Kent, located in Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, with the stipulation that the Bossier Parish Police Jury will never maintain Kent Drive, and subject to final review of all documents by the Parish Engineer and the Parish Attorney.**

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

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Minor Plat of Survey for Thaila Chris Hall, located in Section 28, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Ms. Thaila Hall stated that the Benton-Parish MPC has approved her request for a special exception use, as well as the minor plat, to allow placement of a mobile home on her property located off Linton Cutoff Road. Mr. Ford recommended approval of the minor plat, advising that a 50-foot building set back on Linton Cutoff Road is provided.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the Minor Plat of Survey for Thaila Chris Hall, located in Section 28, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Adam Powell, Raley & Associates, Inc., advised that the proposed development is an extension of lots on the west side of the existing subdivision. Mr. Ford stated that the plat meets all parish regulations and recommended approval.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village 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.**

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Adam Powell, Raley & Associates, Inc., stated that the proposed development is an extension of existing units. Mr. Skaggs requested that a meeting be scheduled between the developers of St. Charles Court Village Subdivision and Cypress Bend Garden District Subdivision to discuss the establishment of a connecting route between the two subdivisions to create additional ingress and egress.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village 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.**

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider the application of Kenneth Edwards, to the Benton-Parish MPC for a Special Exception Use to allow a mobile/manufactured home on a 1.0-acre tract of land located just south of the driveway at 5295 Linton Cutoff Road, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA. The application was denied by the Benton-Parish MPC Board of Appeals.

Ms. Bennett presented the following emails dated July 17, 2012, from Mr. Mike Brooks and Mr. Jimmie Corbin, expressing their opposition. She requested that this information be made a part of the official record.

Mr. Ford,

My name is Mike Brooks. I am writing to express my position on Mr. Edwards appeal for a mobile home. I will not be able to attend the meeting on Wednesday. I live across the street from Mr. Edwards at 5292 Linton Cutoff Rd. I urge you and Police Jury to uphold the decision of the Benton MPC and not allow him to do so. I suspect Mr. Edwards will use the recent decision to allow Ms. Hall to place a mobile home at 5533 Linton Cutoff to persuade you that he should be treated likewise. However, rather than reverse the decision for Mr. Edwards I think it more consistent to have the MPC reverse Ms. Hall's decision. Did they allow hers simply because there is another mobile home across the street? Mr. Edwards also has mobile homes on his property. The decision against Mr. Edwards was on the premise that the MPC didn't want additional mobile homes on any property. What is to prevent more property owners to apply to divide land, which Ms. Hall has not done yet, and place mobile homes wherever.

Thank you,

Michael H. Brooks

Ms. Bennett,

In reference to our telephone conversation on this date, I am in opposition to the addition of another manufactured housing unit on the above property. The existing housing on that property was placed before there were any guidelines established by the MPC. Since these guidelines have been established, those of us across the street felt safe in building permanent housing. In many cases the values would be in excess of \$400,000. We do not deserve to have our property devalued more by the addition of more manufactured housing. My apologies to the Jury for not attending this meeting but I am in attendance at professional training and I have been informed that this communication will become an official part of this meeting.

Jimmie D. Corbin

5304 Linton Cutoff Rd.

Benton, LA 71006

Mr. Kenneth Edwards stated that he owns approximately 17 acres off the Linton Cutoff Road, and advised that one of his daughters currently lives in a mobile home on the property. He stated that a special exception use is requested to allow placement of an additional mobile/manufactured home on his property for another daughter and grandson. Mr. Edwards stated that he and his wife have health problems and want to have their family near them. He stated that the area will be landscaped and neatly kept. Mr. Edwards' daughter stated that her existing mobile home cannot be seen from Linton Cutoff Road.

Ms. Bennett stated that she does not understand why the Benton-Parish MPC has denied this request as there are several mobile homes on Linton Cutoff Road. After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to remand the application of Kenneth Edwards to the Benton-Parish MPC for a Special Exception Use to allow a mobile/ manufactured home on a 1.0-acre tract of land located just south of the driveway of 5295 Linton Cutoff Road, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA, to the Benton-Parish MPC for further consideration.**

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

Mr. Cochran asked if the process of remanding this matter to the Benton-Parish MPC will create any delays for Mr. Edwards and his family. Ms. Penwell stated that it will be at least a month before a public hearing could be scheduled. Mr. Edwards stated that in order for his grandson to enroll in the Benton school district, they hope to resolve this matter prior to school beginning in August. Mr. Avery stated that land use in this area varies, and advised that Mr. Edwards has been there for quite some time.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to rescind previous action remanding the application of Kenneth Edwards to the Benton-Parish MPC for a Special Exception Use to allow a mobile/manufactured home on a 1.0-acre tract of land located just south of the driveway of 5295 Linton Cutoff Road, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA, to the Benton-Parish MPC for further consideration.**

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. Hammack, to overturn the unfavorable ruling of the Benton-Parish MPC Board of Appeals and approve the application of Kenneth Edwards to the Benton-Parish MPC for a Special Exception Use to allow a mobile /manufactured home on a 1.0-acre tract of land located just south of the driveway of 5295 Linton Cutoff Road, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Thomas Elbert, 5257 Linton Cutoff Road, stated that he purchased his property in 1994, and that he is opposed to Mr. Edwards' application for a special exception use to place a third mobile home on his property.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 4443

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE TO ALLOW A MOBILE/MANUFACTURED HOME ON A ONE-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF THE DRIVEWAY OF 5295 LINTON CUTOFF ROAD, BENTON, BOSSIER PARISH, LA.

WHEREAS, Kenneth Edwards, has applied to the Bossier Parish Police Jury for a Special Exception Use to allow a mobile/manufactured home on a one-acre tract of land located just south of the driveway of 5295 Linton Cutoff Road, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA; and

WHEREAS, the application has been denied by the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing for the application was held by the Bossier Parish Police Jury on July 18, 2012, and the unfavorable recommendation of the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission was overturned by unanimous vote of the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

SECTION 1. The Special Exception Use to allow a mobile/manufactured home on a one-acre tract of land located just south of the driveway of 5295 Linton Cutoff Road, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA, is hereby approved.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Kenneth Wayne Edwards, located off Linton Cutoff Road, in Section 27, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the Minor Plat for Kenneth Wayne Edwards, located in Section 27, Township 20 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. Cochran, to schedule a public hearing on August 15, 2012, to consider a request by the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to revert the zoning classification of Parcel Nos. 20133411A3A, 20133511A4A, and 20133511A4C, belonging to Mr. John Alvin Hickman, located along Rambo Lane and Linton Road, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District, to the previous R-A, Residence-Agriculture District.

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. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on August 15, 2012, to consider approval of the application of Jay Carney/Heritage Construction Co., Inc., for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 19.625 acres, more or less, situated 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 style apartment development.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Shewmake asked if the proposed development will be

townhomes or apartments. Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that 270 units are planned, and advised that the proposed development is considered a townhouse style apartment development.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on August 15, 2012, to consider approval of the application of Verizon Wireless for Conditional Use Approval for a cell tower location at 3528 Swan Lake Road, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Avery stated that this is the third time this matter has come before the police jury for approval, but no cell tower has been built. Mr. Marsiglia stated that if the cell tower is not constructed within one year of approval of the conditional use, the applicant must reapply. Mr. Avery requested that Mr. Marsiglia send a letter to Verizon Wireless regarding their intentions for construction of a cell tower at this location.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mike Vetkoetter, Property Standards Officer, reported on a meeting of the Property Standards Board of Review, advising that it is recommended that a condemnation hearing be scheduled to consider condemnation of property at 308 Pease Road, Haughton, LA. **Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Cook, to schedule a condemnation hearing on August 15, 2012, to consider condemnation of property at 308 Pease Road, Haughton, LA.**

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

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to establish a 35 mile per hour speed limit on all of Bossier Point Road.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4444

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SPEED OF VEHICLES ON BOSSIER POINT ROAD LOCATED IN SECTIONS 25, 26 and 36, TOWNSHIP 16 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 18th day of July, 2012, that from and after the effective date of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a vehicle upon Bossier Point Road located off Highway 154 in Sections 25, 26, and 36, Township 16 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in excess of thirty-five (35) miles per hour.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined a sum not to exceed Five Hundred and no/100 Dollars (\$500.00), or imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days, or both.

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. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Brotherton advised that the speed limit on Johnson Koran Road from Highway 157 to Highway 527 changes five times in four miles, and requested that the speed limit be set at 45 miles per hour on Johnson Koran Road from Highway 157 to Highway 527.

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to establish a 45 mile per hour speed limit on Johnson Koran Road from Highway 157 to Highway 527.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4445

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SPEED OF VEHICLES ON JOHNSON KORAN ROAD LOCATED IN SECTIONS 9, 15, 16, 22 AND 23, TOWNSHIP 17 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 18th day of July, 2012, that from and after the effective date of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a vehicle upon Johnson Koran Road from Highway 157 to Highway 527 in Sections 9, 15, 16, 22 and 23, Township 17 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in excess of forty-five (45) miles per hour.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined a sum not to exceed Five Hundred and no/100 Dollars (\$500.00), or imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days, or both.

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. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 20 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2012-277, advising that the plan change results in no additional costs. **Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve Plan Change No. 20 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2012-277, 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.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of July, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 20 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2012-277.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 20.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 21 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2012-277, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$163,179.60. He stated that this is the final plan change for the project, and advised that the additional costs are within budget.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve Plan Change No. 21 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2012-277, 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.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of July, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 21 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2012-277.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 21.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2012-277, 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.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of July, 2012, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2012-277.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, 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. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 1 on the Buckhall Road, Phase II, Project No. 2012-354, advising that the plan change results in an additional amount of \$6,100. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Buckhall Road, Phase II, Project No. 2012-354, 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 18th day of July, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Buckhall Road, Phase II, Project No. 2012-354.

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

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the renewal of the Cooperative Agreement with the Louisiana Extension Service for support and administration of the LSU Cooperative Extension Program, and to authorize the President to execute the agreement.

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 18th day of July, 2012, that Rick Avery, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a Cooperative Agreement with the Louisiana Extension Service for support and administration of the LSU Cooperative Extension Program.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to adopt a resolution supporting Wala, Inc., d/b/a Arcmail Technology, 6300 East Texas Street, Bossier City, and allowing them to receive the local benefits of the Quality Jobs Program.

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

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION STATING THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY'S ENDORSEMENT OF WALA, INC., D/B/A ARCMail TECHNOLOGY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BENEFITS OF THE LOUISIANA QUALITY JOBS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the sales/use tax rebates for the Quality Jobs Program are governed by §51.1787 (Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program); and

WHEREAS, the Quality Jobs Program offers significant incentives for economic development in the State; and

WHEREAS, the business is located within Census Tract 111 , Block Group 4 in Bossier Parish which is designated as Enterprise Zone eligible; and

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury states that this endorsement is in agreement with the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for their area; and

WHEREAS, the **attached Census Tract/Block Group map** has been marked to show the location of the business being endorsed; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Louisiana Quality Job Program requirements, the Bossier Parish Police Jury agrees:

1. To participate in the Quality Jobs Program.
2. To assist the Department in evaluating progress made in any Enterprise Zone within its jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 18th day of July, 2012, and endorses Wala, Inc., d/b/a Arcmail Technology, Quality Job Application #20120954, to participate in the Louisiana Quality Jobs Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented photographs of a privacy fence surrounding East Pointe Subdivision located off Crouch Road, advising that repair of the fence is needed. He stated that the October 16, 2002, police jury minutes indicate that the privacy fence will be maintained by the Homeowners Association. Mr. Ford stated that Warren Moore/Total Properties, Inc., is the current owner of East Pointe Subdivision, and advised that it is his understanding that a Homeowners Association has never been formed. He stated that according to specifications, the fence was to be constructed of cedar with metal supports. Mr. Ford stated that the developer did not construct the fence according to specifications. After further discussion, Mr. Ford stated that he will review the matter further and report his findings at the August 1, 2012, regular meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to accept the proposal of Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$3,000, for surveying services for a utility servitude at Dogwood Trail Bridge, 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 18th day of July, 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 Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$3,000 for surveying services for a utility servitude at the Dogwood Trail bridge.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford stated that four driveways adjacent to Caplis Sligo Road Bridge do not comply with current standards of the Department of Transportation and Development, and approval of a design exception in regard to sight distance at all four driveways adjacent is requested. After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to adopt a resolution accepting the design exception leaving four driveways adjacent to the Caplis Sligo Road bridge as they currently exist.**

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 18th day of July, 2012, that it does hereby agree to the design exception in regard to sight distance at all four driveways adjacent to the Caplis Sligo Road Bridge over Flat River, State Project No. 713-08-011/H.006042 on the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Off-System Bridge Program, and leaving these four driveways as they currently exist.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of July, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented photographs of the Sligo Road Extension Project, and provided an update on the project.

Mr. Ford presented photographs of the White House prop that is being built off Arthur Ray Teague Parkway for a movie scene.

Mr. Ford provided updates on the Palmetto Road, Parks Road, and Poole Road projects, advising that there will be a slight delay on the projects due to the weather. He stated that patching and overlay of Kingston Road should begin shortly.

Mr. Ford advised of a request from the Town of Haughton for assistance with the overlay of a portion of North Hazel Street. Mr. Brotherton stated that the main entrance to Haughton High School is off North Hazel Street, and recommended that the road be overlaid to the school. The matter is to be considered at the August 1, 2012, regular meeting.

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. He stated that 9.5 miles of the 2012 Road Overlay Program are now complete.

Mr. Andrews presented photographs of the Dogwood Trail bridge, advising that the bridge was closed on Tuesday, July 10, 2012, due to piling damage. He stated that the damages were repaired immediately and the bridge was reopened on Friday, July 13, 2012. He stated that all bridges are being inspected at this time.

Mr. Altimus expressed appreciation to Mr. Neil Erwin for attending today's meeting as legal counsel due to Mr. Jackson's absence.

Mr. Brotherton reported on his attendance at the Annual NACo Conference recently held in Pittsburgh, PA, advising that Louisiana was well represented.

Mr. Darby stated that local football jamborees will be held soon and requested that school officials be asked to recognize the police jury for its contributions to Bossier Parish schools during game announcements. Ms. Sonja Bailes, Bossier Parish School Board, advised that she will also post this information on the school board's website.

Mr. Avery requested that the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee review the current parish ordinance providing for the incorporation of certain roads into the parish maintenance system. He stated that the ordinance allows each police juror, upon written petition submitted by the occupants of at least three separate dwellings, to accept three publicly dedicated gravel roads per year, with the sum total mileage of all three roads per juror not to exceed three road miles.

Finance Committee Meeting – July 18, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 18th day of July, 2012, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with all members present.

Ms. Vickie Case, Cook & Morehart, Certified Public Accountants, presented a review of the 2011 Bossier Parish Police Jury audit. She reported that there are no findings or comments, and commended the police jury staff for their work.

Mr. Kenny Loftin, Juvenile Detention Facility and Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter, discussed current operations of the facilities. He stated that due to reductions in State funding to the youth shelter, the staff has been reduced to 18. Mr. Loftin stated that he feels current operation of the facility is going well.

Mr. Jerome Darby asked if there are grant funds available for the youth shelter. Mr. Loftin stated that he is not researching grants at this time.

Mr. Loftin advised that there are 22 beds at the Juvenile Detention Facility and stated that the facility stays at maximum capacity. He stated that effective July of 2013, the facility is required to obtain a license from the State of Louisiana, and that a mock audit will be performed in August of 2012 by the state. He stated that he is concerned that the facility will not meet the state requirements and stated that paint and repairs are needed. Mr. Loftin stated that he is very pleased with the staff at the detention center.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$18,244.73 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of June, 2012, as follows:

American Refrigeration & Ice	\$1,990.00
Area Wide	\$ 240.00
Mark's Plumbing Parts	\$ 168.05
Putman Restoration	\$ 515.00
Bobby Brannon Heating & Air Conditioning	\$5,198.00
Bobby Brannon Heating & Air Conditioning	\$ 233.00
R E Michel Company, Inc.	\$ 173.68
Bobby Brannon Heating & Air Conditioning	\$9,602.00
Emergency Power Systems	\$ 125.00

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. Brotherton, to approve payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of June, 2012.

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. Brotherton, that Mr. Plummer will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,500, Mr. Hammack will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,000, Mr. Brotherton will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$500, Mr. Rimmer will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$300, Mr. Shewmake will contribute matching discretionary funds in the amount of \$200, and Mr. Cochran will contribute matching discretionary funds in the amount of \$500, for a total of \$4,000, to Elm Grove Elementary School for the purchase of four wireless access points for iPads.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, that Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cook, and Mr. Rimmer will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$875 each, for a total of \$3,500, to Houghton Middle School for the purchase of 53 new white football game jerseys for the 7th and 8th grade football teams.

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. Darby, that Mr. Plummer and Mr. Hammack will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,500 each, and Mr. Darby will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$912.18, for a total of \$3,912.18, to Sun City Elementary School for the purchase of computer technology equipment.

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

Mr. Jimmy Cochran reported that the first quarter report from Blue Cross Blue Shield indicates an increase in medical insurance claims. He requested that a meeting of the Insurance Committee be scheduled to review the quarterly reports from Blue Cross Blue Shield.

The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 18th day of July, 2012, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:35 p.m.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY