

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY  
MINUTES  
BENTON, LOUISIANA  
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2003, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jimmy Cochran, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Wayne Hammack and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jerome Darby. The Secretary-Treasurer, Cheryl Martin, called the roll, with Mr. Shell absent and excused, as follows:

Mr. William Altimus	Mr. Winfred Johnston
Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Hank Meachum
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Henry Mitchell
Mr. Brad Cummings	Mr. Jeff Rogers
Mr. Jerome Darby	Mr. Eddy Shell, excused
Mr. Wayne Hammack	Mr. Jesse Williams

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Others present were Mr. Bill Altimus, Parish Administrator; Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney; Cheryl Martin, Secretary-Treasurer.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Rogers, to deviate from the agenda to add Mr. Eric Hudson and Mr. Bob Fisher, Alliance, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Larry Carter, President of the St. Mary's Water System Board of Directors, requested the jury's assistance in sponsoring an application to the Office Of Rural Development for grant funds for improvements to the St. Mary's Water System. Mr. Carter stated that the current system is 26 years old and serves 110 customers. Mr. Carter stated that Representative "Hoppy" Hopkins has advised that Rural Development funds in the amount of \$16,000 are available to the water system. He stated that with this amount of funding, the existing equipment can be replaced and the system brought up to date. Mr. Carter stated that he has received one cost estimate in the amount of \$14,456 for the proposed work.

Mr. Altimus stated that he has spoken to Representative Hopkins and that he is in favor of granting the requested funding. **Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to approve and sponsor an application on behalf of the St. Mary's Water System to the Office of Rural Development for Rural Development Grant funds in the amount of \$16,000. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2003, that it does hereby approve and support an application to the Office of Rural Development for funds in the amount of \$16,000.00 for improvements to the St. Mary's Water System in Bossier Parish, LA.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Altimus. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2003.

CHERYL G. MARTIN  
SECRETARY-TREASURER

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Kevin McCotter, President of Campus Facilities, Inc., discussed the status of the new campus for Bossier Parish Community College. He requested the jury's assistance in clearing an area approximately 100' X 200' to enhance the view of the project from Interstate 20.

**Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to assist Bossier Parish Community College in the clearing of an area at the site of the new campus, at an estimated cost of \$8,000. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. McCotter stated the work can be done when weather permits, and when it is convenient for the highway department.

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Mr. Bob Fisher and Mr. Eric Hudson, Alliance, Inc., discussed the proposed installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Airline Drive and Linton Road, advising that they are ready to advertise the project for bids. Mr. Hudson stated that estimated cost of the project is \$80,000. He further stated that signs will be placed before the intersection to advise motorists of the new signals before the lights are turned on.

Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, advised that the City of Bossier City has requested that the police jury consider the installation of street lights at this intersection and the construction of a dead-end across from Linton Road, in addition to the proposed traffic signal.

After discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Avery, to authorize the advertising for bids for the installation of a traffic signal on Airline Drive at its intersection with Linton Road. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Sealed bids were opened and read aloud for the sale of surplus property at 3256 McGregor Street, Bossier City, LA. The bid of Richard O. McClain in the amount of \$991.48 was the only bid received. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Darby, to accept the bid of Richard O. McClain for the purchase of surplus property at 3256 McGregor Street, Bossier City, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to authorize the advertising for bids for the six-month supply of hot mix for the Bossier Parish Highway Department. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider the application of Rosedale Development Company, LLC, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 13.35 acre tract of land located in Lot 5, Big Bee Bend Plantation, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District, to R-1, PUD, One-Family Residence, Planned Unit Development, for an extension to Rosedale Place Subdivision. (east of existing subdivision on Wemple Road)

Mr. Travis Sturdivant, Smith and Raley, Inc., spoke on behalf of the applicant. He stated as requested by the police jury, all construction in the new units of Rosedale Place Subdivision has stopped until completion of the streets

and drainage. There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Rogers, to approve the application of Rosedale Development Company, LLC, for a zoning amendment, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE NO. 3864

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 783 OF 1978, THE BOSSIER CITY-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION ZONING REGULATIONS, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENCE-AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO R-1, PUD, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury, meeting in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2003, that Ordinance No. 783 of 1978 of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located in Section 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence Agriculture District, to R-1, PUD, One-Family Residence, Planned Unit Development, more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land located in Lot 5 of Big Bee Bend Plantation as recorded in Book 36, Page 150 of the Records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and located in the South 1/2 of Section 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, said tract being more fully described as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Lot 137, Rosedale Place Unit No. 5 as recorded in Book 1207, Pages 208-211 of the records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, run thence North 00° 22' 20" west a distance of 110.00 feet,

Thence run North 89° 37' 40" East a distance of 290.00 feet,

Thence run North 00° 22' 20" West a distance of 246.31 feet,

Thence run North 00° 22' 20" West a distance of 343.69 feet,

Thence run North 89° 37' 40" East a distance of 375.00 feet,

Thence run South 00° 22' 20" East a distance of 402.01 feet,

Thence run North 58° 08' 44" East a distance of 173.84 feet,

Thence run along a curve to the right a distance of 105.47 feet (said curve having a radius of 191.94 and a chord of North 16° 06' 58" West 104.15 feet),

Thence run North 00° 22' 20" West a distance of 5.99 feet, Thence run North 89° 37' 40" East a distance of 179.82 feet,

Thence run South 00° 00' 30" West a distance of 41.85 feet, Thence run South 48° 00' 54" East a distance of 180.00 feet to the Northerly right-of-way line of Wemple Road,

Thence run along the northerly right-of-way line of Wemple road the following five calls:

South 41° 59' 06" West a distance of 152.71 feet,

Along a curve to the left a distance of 298.66 feet (said curve having a radius of 2000.00 feet and a chord of South 37° 42' 26" West 298.38 feet), South 33° 25' 45" West a distance of 154.83 feet, Along a curve to the right a distance of 78.47

feet (said curve having a radius of 80.00 feet and a chord of south 61° 31' 42" West 75.36 feet), South 89° 37' 40" West a

distance of 715.01 feet, Thence run North 00° 22' 20" West a distance of 180.00 feet, Thence run North 89° 37' 40" East a

distance of 56.99 feet to the point of beginning, said tract containing 13.35 acres.

Applicant: Rosedale Development Company, LLC

Purpose: Extension of Rosedale Place Subdivision

The ordinance was offered by Mr. , seconded by Mr. . Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2003.

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Mr. Williams advised that the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Cypress Lake East Subdivision, Unit No. 5, being a resubdivision of Lot 6, Cypress Lake East Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 31, Township 20 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, has been withdrawn by the developer. No action was taken.

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Ms. Martin announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Kingston Plantation, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Warren Moore, Total Properties, Inc., advised that the proposed development consists of 17 lots which are 125' wide. The subdivision is to be serviced by Bossier City water, and Mr. Moore advised that no final decision has been made on the sewer system for the development. He stated that Kingston Plantation, Unit No. 2, which is to consist of 65 lots, is proposed and that he is pursuing a central sewer system for the entire development. Mr. Avery recommended a central sewer system. Mr. Moore stated that sidewalks, street lights and fire hydrants are proposed for the development.

Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that the City of Bossier City has discussed the matter of extending sewer mains to this area. Mr. Avery stated that infrastructure is badly needed in this portion of the parish.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Williams, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Kingston Plantation Subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Williams, to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2003, to consider approval of the application of Verizon Wireless for Planning Approval on an R-A tract, 431 Mahaffey Road, Haughton, LA, to locate a 187' communication tower. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2003, to consider approval of the application of CenterPoint Energy Arkla for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 28.28 acre tract (Tract 1) located in the northwest quarter of Section 5, Township 18 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District (non-conforming), to I-2, Heavy Industry District, for the continuation of natural gas distribution and pipeline operations and maintenance activities. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2003, to consider approval of the application of Reserve Investments for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 10.959 acre tract of land located in Section 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence Agriculture District, to R-2, Multi-Family Residence District, for Phase II of the Reserve of Bossier City Apartment Complex. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2003, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Gray Duck Subdivision, located in Section 5, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to schedule a public hearing on March 19, 2003, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Dogwood South Subdivision, Units 3 and 4, located in Section 8, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to adopt a salary schedule, as recommended by the Policy and Procedures Committee, for new employees of the Bossier Parish Police Jury Administrative Staff, Maintenance Department, Highway Department, Juvenile Detention Center and Section 8 Housing. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Altimus advised that the police jury staff is currently researching additional information on existing employees.

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Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, requested that discussion of proposed revisions to Bossier Parish subdivision regulations be considered at the March 19 regular meeting, as he is awaiting additional comments from local engineers. Mr. Ford discussed subdivision plat approval, stating that current regulations require the developer to provide some type of surety to the police jury, if final plat approval is requested prior to the completion of streets. Mr. Ford encouraged stricter enforcement of this requirement. There was discussion of the adoption of the proposed Unified Development Code for the parish. Mr. Ford stated that there are questions regarding the extension of an existing subdivision, advising that it must be determined whether the developer will be allowed to continue the development in accordance with the existing units, or be required to comply with the new regulations. Mr. Altimus stated that meetings on the Unified Development Code are scheduled on March 6 and 7, 2003.

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Mr. Hammack reported on a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee regarding recreation sites in the parish, advising that the following improvements are recommended:

Tall Timbers Park:	
Grading and Seeding	\$10,000
Fence (3,000 l.f.)	\$ 6,000
Backstop	\$ 3,000
Parking Area	\$20,000
Storm Drain	\$ 1,500
Lake Bistineau Parish Camp:	
Roadway/RV parking	\$7,500
Tables on concrete pad	\$2,500
Ivan Lake:	
Boat Ramp	\$7,500
Picnic Parking Area	\$2,400
Picnic tables	\$1,500

It was requested that "No Motorized Vehicles" signs be placed at the Tall Timbers park site.

**Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve the recommended improvements, as presented.**

There was discussion on the motion. Mr. Rogers explained that the Tall Timbers project will be done in phases. Mr. Avery stated that recreation areas are needed in north Bossier.

**Votes were cast on Mr. Hammack's motion to approve the recommended improvements to recreation sites in the parish, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Williams stated that he understands there may be grant funding available for use on recreation areas.

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Mr. Altimus reported that no effort has been made to bring property at 623 Lawrence Drive, Haughton, LA, into compliance with property standards regulations. Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that the house has been inspected and black mold was found throughout. He stated that there are two liens on the property and that there are no objections to the proposed condemnation. The following persons were notified of the condemnation hearing via certified mail; The Estate of Ms. Edna Fuller Fee, Mr. Patrick Fee, VAC Federal Credit Union, and Beneficial Mortgage Co. of Louisiana.

**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Williams, to condemn property at 623 Lawrence Drive, Haughton, LA, in accordance with Bossier Parish property standards regulations. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Williams, to authorize the advertising for bids for the demolition of a condemned house at 623 Lawrence Drive, Haughton, LA, bids to be received April 2, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Cochran referred to a vacant house at 140 North Willow, Bossier City, LA, which was purchased by the police jury through the FEMA Flood Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program, advising that representatives of Benton Fire District No. 4 have asked to use this house for training purposes. Mr. Avery stated that he has no opposition but requested that all residents in the area be notified of the training sessions. **Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded**

**by Mr. Williams, to allow Benton Fire District No. 4 to use a vacant house at 140 North Willow, Bossier City, for fireman training purposes, with the stipulation that residents of the area sign a statement of approval. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Williams, to approve the application of Romona Kay Clement for a 2003 Bossier Parish beer license at The Bear's Den, 754 Highway 80 East, Haughton, LA. Motion carried unanimously.** The application has been approved by the Sheriff's Department and the Health Department.

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There was discussion of the Enterprise Zone Program. Mr. Altimus stated that if an application for participation in the Enterprise Zone Program is approved, the Louisiana Department of Revenue and Taxation will provide a rebate of four percent for Louisiana sales and use tax, and will allow a tax credit of \$2,500 per employee. He stated that there are several parishes that do not participate in the Enterprise Zone Program.

Mr. Altimus explained that if a business is located in the parish outside a municipality, the EMS District could be requested to rebate its one-half cent sales tax. Ms. Martin stated that the police jury's rural road tax and capital improvements tax are considered to be dedicated to bond indebtedness and are therefore exempt from rebate. Mr. Altimus stated that police jury approval is not required for a business to be eligible to receive the state tax rebate.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to table adoption of a resolution supporting Bass Pro Outdoor World, LLC, and allowing Bass Pro Outdoor World, LLC, to receive the local benefits of the Enterprise Zone Program. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Meachum stated the Property Insurance Association of Louisiana rates fire departments each year, and that a maximum of ten points can be given for communications. He stated that the determination of these scores has an effect on homeowners insurance. It has been recommended that Bossier Parish E911 system add one additional full-time employee per shift in order for fire departments in the parish to receive the full ten points for communications.

Ms. Wanda Bennett, Bossier Parish E-911 Director, stated that this will affect all areas of the state. She stated that in the past, PIAL inspectors have indicated that the Bossier Communications District is one of the three in the State of Louisiana used as an ideal operation example.

**Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to adopt a resolution urging that the maximum points for communications be reinstated to all Bossier Parish Fire Districts, based on operations of the E911 systems. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury did establish the Bossier Parish Communications District to provide to the citizens of Bossier Parish, 9-1-1 services; and

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury is charged with ensuring the integrity of the 9-1-1 service to the citizens of Bossier Parish, and the police jury is concerned with unreasonable costs to the 9-1-1 District by rules placed on Fire Districts; to get the full ten points under the Property Insurance Association of Louisiana, known to the fire departments as "PIAL"; and

WHEREAS, the police jury understands and supports the fact that every 9-1-1 system is different in the way it is operated to best deliver the service to its citizens, and feels that the insurance ratings should take this into account in making its determinations of scores.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury is satisfied that the calls are answered at the center within 30 seconds and dispatched within 60 seconds. Also, of the 100% of the calls received, 82% of the calls are handed off to dispatchers within the respective departments, while 18% are totally handled by the dispatchers located at the 9-1-1 center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the PIAL inspectors have in past visits to the center indicated to the staff that the Bossier Communications District is one of three in the state of Louisiana used as an ideal operation example. Substantial backups as well as emergency methods of operations are in place.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury requests that the maximum points for communications be reinstated to all Bossier Parish Fire Districts. This will prove to be a benefit to citizens by reducing their cost for insurance.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Cummings. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2003.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER

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**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on March 19, 2003, to consider alphabetical split of Bossier Parish Voting Precincts 02-21C, 02-22, 04-04A, and 04-08C. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to schedule a public hearing on March 19, 2003, to consider consolidation of the following Bossier Parish voting precincts:**

**01-04A and 01-04B**

**02-06A and 02-09**

**02-12A and 02-20A**

**04-03A and 04-05B**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to schedule a public hearing on March 19, 2003, to consider the emergency relocation of the precinct polling place for Bossier Parish Voting Precinct 2-21B, from the Family Worship Center, 4204 Airline Drive, Bossier Parish, LA, to another location. Motion**

**carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Altimus presented a note of appreciation from the Bossier Parish Health Department for renovations to the health unit, and for the recent of purchase of two new vehicles for the health department.

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Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that meetings with representatives of Alliance, Inc., are scheduled on Friday, March 07, 2003, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, regarding phasing for the courthouse expansion project, and that all courthouse department heads have been asked to attend. Mr. Hammack asked that jurors be provided with an overview of this meeting.

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Mr. Bobby Edmiston, Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, and Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, discussed requests received for flood zone information. Mr. Ford stated that he receives numerous calls per week, and that he is not comfortable using the old flood maps in the police jury office. Mr. Edmiston stated that his office has the capability of providing flood hazard maps, and stated that a fee of \$50 for this service is being considered. The matter is to be further reviewed at the March 19 regular meeting.

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Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, discussed the hiring of a construction manager for the jail construction project, stating that he recommends that Coyle Engineering Co., Inc. be hired in this capacity. Mr. Rogers expressed concern, stating that he understood that the construction manager would be an independent not associated with Coyle Engineering.

**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Williams, to extend the contract of Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., to include services as construction manager of the maximum security jail construction project.**

There was discussion on the motion. Mr. Darby stated that he feels the construction manager should be independent. Mr. Cummings agreed. **Votes were cast on Mr. Avery's motion to extend the contract of Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., to include services as construction manager for the maximum security jail construction project. Motion carried, with the following vote recorded:**

**AYES: Mr. Altimus, Mr. Avery, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Meachum, Mr. Williams**

**NAYS: Mr. Cummings, Mr. Darby, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rogers**

**ABSENT: Mr. Shell**

**ABSTAIN: None**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to adopt an amendatory ordinance in connection with the Valerie Lane Improvement Project, to amend the delivery date of the Paving Certificates to no later than March 31, 2002. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE NO. 3865

AMENDATORY ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCES ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 16, 2002 AND NOVEMBER 20, 2002 (COLLECTIVELY, THE "ISSUING ORDINANCE"), RELATING TO PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, EXECUTION, NEGOTIATION, SALE AND DELIVERY OF PAVING CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2003 OF THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2002, this Police Jury adopted an ordinance providing for the issuance, execution, negotiation, sale and delivery of Sixty-Seven Thousand Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$67,097.00) of Paving Certificates, Series 2003 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Certificates"); prescribing the form thereof, designating the date, denomination, time and place of payment; providing for the payment thereof in principal and interest; accepting an offer for the purchase of the Certificates; setting the interest rate to be paid on unpaid assessments; and providing for other matters in connection therewith (the "First Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, on November 22, 2002, this Police Jury adopted an Ordinance amending the First Ordinance so as to provide for the issuance of a smaller principal amount of Certificates; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer now wishes to amend the Issuing Ordinance in order to reflect the delivery of the Certificates will be no later than March 31, 2002;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, the governing authority (the "Governing Authority") of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), that:

SECTION 1. That Section 3 of the First Ordinance and Section 1 of the Supplemental Ordinance, as amended, are hereby amended to read as follows:

"In compliance with and under and by virtue of the authority of Sections 3689.1 to 3689.17, inclusive, of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R.S. 33:3689.1 - 33:3689.17) (the "Act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority, there be and there is hereby authorized and directed the issuance of interest bearing paving certificates of the Issuer in the principal amount of Fifty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars and Fifty-Four Cents (\$57,987.54), to be designated "Paving Certificates, Series 2003, of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana" (the "Certificates"), to represent the installments or deferred payments to cover a portion of the unpaid cost of the construction of street paving improvements along certain streets within the corporate limits of the Issuer, described in the Assessment Ordinance. The Certificates shall be in fully registered form, shall be dated the date of delivery, but not later than April 1, 2003, and shall be numbered from R-1 upward. The Certificates shall be in the denomination of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) each or any integral multiple thereof, insofar as practicable, within a single maturity. The Certificates shall bear interest from the date thereof or the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for at a rate of six (6%) per centum per annum, on January 15th of each year and shall become due and payable and mature serially on January 15th of each year as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2004	\$6,443.06

2005	\$6,443.06
2006	\$6,443.06
2007	\$6,443.06
2008	\$6,443.06
2009	\$6,443.06
2010	\$6,443.06
2011	\$6,443.06
2012	\$6,443.06

SECTION 2. That the form of certificate appearing in Section 8 of the First Ordinance is hereby amended to reflect the appropriate denomination of each Certificate as provided above and to appropriately reflect the correct total principal amount of the issue.

SECTION 3. Except as amended to comply with the terms of this ordinance, the First Ordinance remains in full force and effect.

The ordinance as offered by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Altimus. It was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2003, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Altimus, Mr. Avery, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Meachum, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Shell

ABSTAIN: None

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to accept the resignation of Mr. Mark Montgomery from the Board of Commissioners for East Central Bossier Parish Fire District No. 1, and to appoint Mr. Glenn Benton to fill Mr. Montgomery's unexpired term, term to expire 12/31/04. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to grant an additional 30 days of sick leave to Ms. Carolyn Vishnefski, payroll specialist in the police jury office. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that he has reviewed the renewal of the franchise agreement with Entergy Louisiana, Inc., for a period of 50 years, and recommends approval. Upon motion by Mr. Hammack and second by Mr. Avery on August 21, 2002, approval of the following ordinance was granted subject to Mr. Jackson's review.

ORDINANCE NO. 3866

An Ordinance granting to Entergy Louisiana, Inc. (formerly Louisiana Power & Light Company), its successors and assigns, the franchise, right and privilege, for a period of Fifty (50) years from the date of the adoption hereof, to supply, in such manner as it deems best, electric power and energy throughout the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, and to the inhabitants thereof, or to any person, firm, or corporation, and the right to acquire, construct, operate, and maintain such plants, structures, transmission lines, distribution systems, and equipment as may be useful or necessary for the generation, production, transportation, distribution, and/or sale of electric power and energy throughout the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, and the right to erect, operate, and maintain poles, masts, supports, wires, cables, transmission lines, conduits, conductors, substations distribution systems, and any and all other appliances useful or necessary for the transportation and/or distribution and/or sale of electric power and energy on, over, under, along, upon, and across all of the present and/or future streets, roads, highways, alleys, and public places of the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, not within the limits of any incorporated city, town or village, and the right to repair, replace, or remove same, or any portion thereof, and the right to connect any such transmission line or distribution system to any other transmission line or distribution system for the purpose of transporting electric power and energy into, through, or beyond the boundaries of the Parish.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened, that the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, hereinafter called the "Parish," grants and there is hereby granted to Entergy Louisiana Inc., its successors and assigns, hereinafter called "Company," in addition to the rights and privileges presently in effect and enjoyed by the Company, a franchise, right, and privilege, from date of the adoption hereof, to supply electric power and energy throughout the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, and to the inhabitants thereof, or to any person, firm, or corporation, in such manner and from such sources as the said Company deems best, and the right to acquire, construct, operate, and maintain such plants, structures, transmission lines, distribution systems, and equipment as may be useful or necessary for the generation, production, transportation, distribution, and/or sale of electric power and energy throughout the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, and the right to erect, operate, and maintain poles, masts, supports, wires, cables, transmission lines, conduits, conductors, substations, distribution systems, and any and all other appliances useful or necessary for the transportation and/or distribution and/or sale of electric power and energy on , over, under, along, upon, and across all of the present and/or future streets, roads, highways, alleys, and public places of the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, not within the limits of any incorporated city, town or village, and the right to repair, replace, or remove same, or any portion thereof, and the right to connect any such transmission line of distribution system to any other transmission line or distribution system for the purpose of transporting electric power and energy into, through, or beyond the boundaries of the Parish.

SECTION 2. Be it further ordained, etc., that this Franchise is granted upon and subject to the following provisions:

1. This Franchise, so far as it applies to the use of any state highway for the purposes herein specified, shall be without effect without the written consent and approval of the Louisiana State Highway Engineer, and no work shall be undertaken by the Company on any state highway without the written consent of the State Highway Engineer in accordance with the provisions of revised statute 33:4362.

2. In maintaining its properties the Company shall not unnecessarily or unreasonably impair or obstruct the streets, roads, highways, alleys, sidewalks, and public grounds, and the Company shall, at its own expense, without unreasonable delay, make all necessary repairs to remedy any damage or remove any obstruction caused by its operations hereunder.

3. The Company shall use reasonable precautions to avoid damage or injury to persons or property, and shall hold and save harmless the parish from all damages, losses, or expense caused by the negligence of the Company, its agents or employees, while exercising any of the rights herein granted.

SECTION 3. Be it further ordained, etc., that the Parish shall make, adopt, and enforce all ordinances necessary to protect the property and property rights of the Company owned and operated under this Franchise, and the Parish will not in any way interfere with the full legal use by the Company of the property which it now maintains or may hereafter maintain in the Parish.

SECTION 4. Be it further ordained, etc., that this Ordinance, the public health and welfare and the public necessity requiring it, shall take effect from and after its adoption.

SECTION 5. Be it further ordained, etc., that this Franchise shall be for a period of Fifty (50) years from the date hereof, and upon exercise by the Company of any of the privileges granted by this Franchise, it shall be irrevocable.

SECTION 6. Be it further ordained, etc., that nothing in this Franchise shall be construed as superseding, repealing, canceling, modifying, or in any way affecting any of the rights enjoyed by Entergy Louisiana, Inc., under that certain franchise granted by Ordinance No. 257, adopted by the Police Jury on the 11th day of August, 1953, and said franchise is hereby recognized as continuing in full force and effect in accordance with its terms.

SECTION 7. Be it further ordained, etc., that Entergy Louisiana, Inc. shall file with the Parish of Bossier, Entergy Louisiana, Inc.'s written acceptance of this ordinance not later than nine (9) months from the date of its passage.

WHEREUPON, in open session on August 21, 2002, said Ordinance was authorized for adoption subject to review and approval by the Bossier Parish Attorney.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of March, 2003.

CHERYL G. MARTIN  
SECRETARY-TREASURER

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Jackson discussed the matter of requesting the Legislative Auditor to review accounting procedures in the Bossier Parish coroner's office, advising that he is unable to pursue this matter due to a conflict of interest. Mr. Altimus stated that operation of the coroner's office is a part of the police jury's budget and the police jury's auditor has approved direct payment to Forensic Pathologist. It was the consensus that no action be taken.

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Mr. Jackson reported that he is reviewing front-end documents on the courthouse expansion project. He stated that utility servitude documents are ready for Mr. Altimus' signature, as well as the revised cooperative endeavor agreement with the Bossier Parish Law Enforcement District.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to adjourn into executive session to discuss the matter of Larry Taylor and TSC, Inc. vs. Bossier Parish Police Jury. Motion carried unanimously.**

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The meeting was reconvened and called to order by the President. **Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to deny issuance of any further building, mobile home or culvert permits to Steve Gross Manufactured Homes, as Mr. Gross has failed to comply with any requests regarding his development of a subdivision which is in violation of parish subdivision regulations, and is creating a public health hazard. Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Darby, to hire Gordon Roundtree, Attorney, to assist Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, in the matter of Larry Taylor and TSC, Inc. vs. Bossier Parish Police Jury. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Cummings stated that he feels an intergovernmental agreement should be considered on school assistance projects. He discussed cost over-runs on certain projects, stating that there should be some type of cost control. Mr. Rogers stated that he does not believe the police jury can control unforeseen incidences, such as parish equipment getting stuck.

Mr. Jackson recommended that the police jury consider some type of agreement with the school board in an effort to reduce any liability exposure.

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Mr. Bobby Edmiston, Tax Assessor, and Mr. Jim Firth, Purchasing Manager, discussed communication technology for the proposed courthouse renovation/jail construction projects. Mr. Edmiston explained that he utilizes a T-1 line between the courthouse and his satellite office in Bossier City. He stated that the line is down approximately once per month, and that no equipment works when the line is down. He further stated that he has experienced problems in getting repairs.

Mr. Firth advised of a proposal in cooperation with the City of Bossier City, for conducting a test installation of wireless communications from the courthouse to the city. He stated that Bossier City has agreed to pay one-half the cost of \$22,000. Mr. Firth stated that if the test pilot does not work, the costs of a portion of the equipment will be refunded, and total cost to the police jury and the City of Bossier City will be \$4,200 each. **Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to proceed with a trial installation of wireless communication between the courthouse and the City of Bossier City, with the police jury and the City of Bossier City paying \$11,000 each.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2003, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed King Country Subdivision Drainage Easement Abandonment. Motion**

**carried unanimously.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Williams, to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2003, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Kingston Plantation, Unit No. 2. Motion carried unanimously.**

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There was brief discussion of proposed technology for the police jury meeting room in the new courthouse.

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There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of March, 2003, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 6:10 p.m.

CHERYL G. MARTIN  
SECRETARY-TREASURER

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY