

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
MINUTES
March 3, 2010

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 3rd day of March, 2010, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Ms. Wanda Bennett, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Wayne Hammack and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jimmy Cochran. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Cindy Dodson, called the roll, with the following members present:

Mr. William Altimus	Mr. Brad Cummings
Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby
Ms. Wanda Bennett	Mr. Wayne Hammack
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Winfred Johnston
Mr. Barry Butler, excused	Mr. Hank Meachum
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Mac Plummer

Others present were Mr. Bill Altimus, Parish Administrator; Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney, Mr. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Engineer; Ms. Cindy Dodson, Parish Secretary.

Mr. Kenneth Starnes, Section 8 Housing, reported that the program has received its 2010 funding notice and it appears that funding has been reduced. In response to question by Mr. Darby, Mr. Starnes advised that there are approximately 1,500 on the Section 8 Housing waiting list. He stated that the housing program is fully leased up at this time, and advised that applications for housing assistance are usually taken one time per year.

Mr. Starnes advised that there are currently four participants on the homeownership program. He stated that the program has very strict guidelines and most applicants do not qualify.

Jurors thanked Mr. Starnes for his report.

Mr. John Cloud, Field Inspector, was recognized by the police jury for his heroic efforts in offering aid to the victims of two recent motor vehicle accidents which he and Mr. Russell Craig, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer, came up on while on duty. Mr. Craig stated that Mr. Cloud immediately began helping the victims of these accidents and commended him for his actions. Members of the jury expressed their appreciation to Mr. Cloud.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Benton, to amend the agenda to add the following items:

17. Discussion of Ware Contract.

18. Discussion of Quality Trucking.

Motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Butler

Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on February 24, 2010, for the 2009 LCDBG Street Improvements Project, improvements to Liberty Drive and Longhorn Drive, as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Benton & Brown, LLC	\$279,438.00
Best Yet Builders, LLC	\$235,879.15
Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Services, Inc.	\$249,873.30

Mr. Ford stated that due to an increase in asphalt costs, the low bid amount exceeds the amount of grant funding available for the project of \$171,954, and it will be necessary for the police jury to contribute funds of approximately \$64,000 to complete the project.

Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Darby, to accept the bid of Best Yet Builders, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications, for the 2009 LCDBG Street Improvements Project, Liberty Drive and Longhorn Drive, and to approve the contribution of additional funds necessary to complete the project. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Sligo Industrial Park, Unit No. 1, located in Sections 22 and 27, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, and being a resubdivision of an amended plat, Victoria Place, Unit No. 1, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Altimus reported that he, Mr. Ford and Mr. Jackson have discussed this matter via conference call with engineers for the project, and it is requested that the public hearing be tabled for 30 days. **Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Sligo Industrial Park, Unit No. 1, for 30 days, as requested. Motion carried unanimously.** The matter will be considered at the April 7, 2010, regular meeting.

Mr. Richard Gunter, 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 on March 17, 2010, to consider condemnation of property at 212 Johnson Drive, Elm Grove, LA. **Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Cummings, to schedule a condemnation hearing on March 17, 2010, to consider condemnation of property at 212 Johnson Drive, Elm Grove, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Cummings reported on a meeting of the Subdivision Regulations Committee regarding the request of Village Water System for assistance with the relocation of water lines for the Bellevue Road Improvements Project. He

stated that a water line on Bellevue Road must be moved in order to proceed with the proposed widening of Bellevue Road and Village Water System has requested that the police jury fund this project. **Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Avery, to authorize the Parish Attorney to proceed with the preparation of an agreement with Village Water System providing that once the water line is relocated by the police jury, the police jury will assume ownership of the line and lease it back to Village Water System. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Benton, to adopt a resolution approving the financing of a project for construction, acquisition and improvements to various public improvement projects owned and to be acquired by the Parish of Bossier; authorizing the incurrence of debt; and other matters in connection therewith. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson stated that this is in connection with low-interest bond funds available to the parish and advised that a detailed budget for each proposed project will be provided.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT FOR CONSTRUCTION, ACQUISITION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OWNED AND TO BE ACQUIRED BY THE PARISH OF BOSSIER; AUTHORIZING THE INCURRENCE OF DEBT; AND OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority (the "Authority") was created pursuant to the authority of Chapter 10-D of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:4548.1-4548.16) (the "act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority, in order to finance the acquiring, financing, constructing and equipping of certain facilities, including facilities used for general governmental purposes, environmental, public infrastructure, community and economic development purposes and to otherwise establish programs to aid in the financing of local government, and to provide for the issuance of bonds for authorized projects, and to procure any funds necessary therefore by mortgage, pledge or other encumbrance of the trust estate dedicated by it therefore and to provide for the issuance and delivery of limited and special obligation revenue bonds of the Authority to evidence any indebtedness so incurred; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier, a political subdivision established pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, and a member of the Authority (the "Parish" or the "Borrower"), wishes to avail itself of the benefits offered by the Authority and proposes to finance through the issuance of bonds (the "Bonds") (i) the acquisition, upgrade, expansion, and construction of Parish owned public improvements (the "Project"), (ii) any other additions, acquisitions, repairs and/or expansions needed to maintain Parish owned works of public improvement, (iii) funding a reserve fund, if necessary, and (iv) paying the cost of issuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury, and the administration of the Parish, has developed a capital improvement plan to address the needs of the Parish; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Parish to incur debt and issue debt instruments for the purpose of financing the costs of the Project; and

WHEREAS, this Police Jury has determined that it is in the interests of the Parish to avail itself of the financing capabilities of the Authority with respect to financing the Project; and

WHEREAS, this Police Jury wishes to declare its intent to proceed with the Project, authorize the use of bond proceeds by the Parish pursuant to the terms of a loan agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act and a loan agreement to be entered into by the Authority and the Parish, the Parish will borrow funds from the Authority to finance the Project and/or reimburse the Parish for capital expenditures previously made in connection therewith under the terms and conditions to be fully described in the loan agreement; and

WHEREAS, in return for payment and security of the Bonds, the loan agreement will provide for a pledge by the Parish of all lawfully available funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Bossier Parish, State of Louisiana, in a regularly convened session, that:

SECTION 1: The Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby declare its intent to proceed with the (i) the acquisition, upgrade, expansion, and construction of Parish owned public improvements (the "Project"), (ii) any other additions, acquisitions, repairs and/or expansions needed to maintain Parish owned works of public improvements, (iii) funding a reserve fund, if necessary, and (iv) paying the cost of issuance of the Bonds, and does hereby wish to proceed with the financing of the Project, by incurring debt in an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000, represented by the issuance of debt instruments, in one or more series, and requests the Authority to take the necessary actions, including making application to the Louisiana State Bond Commission, to issue bonds on behalf of the Parish and to lend the proceeds to the Parish pursuant to the terms of a loan agreement.

SECTION 2: The Parish is hereby authorized to make application to the Authority to borrow funds not exceeding an aggregate principal amount of \$20,000,000 to finance the Project.

SECTION 3: The structure, terms and conditions of any such borrowing by the Parish shall be determined by subsequent action of the Police Jury, provided, however, that the bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding seven per cent (7%) per annum, maturing over a period not exceeding thirty (30) years from date thereof.

SECTION 4: The Parish, by virtue of this resolution resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of "Derivative Product Hedges, Etc." adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing and other matters subject to the approval including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap or other product or enhancement covered thereby.

SECTION 5: The President of the Police Jury, Secretary of the Police Jury, Administrator of the Police Jury, and such other officials of the Parish are hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to implement the provisions of this resolution.

SECTION 6: The Parish finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special bond counsel in connection with the issuance of bonds for the Project, and accordingly the law firm of Phelps Dunbar, LLP is hereby employed as special Bond Counsel to the Parish to do and perform comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work with respect to the issuance and sale of the bonds. The fees to be paid such Bond Counsel shall be an

aggregate amount not to exceed that permitted under the Attorney General’s Bond Counsel fee schedule and other guidelines for comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and an hourly rate for legal work related to services, if any, not traditionally provided by Bond Counsel, as negotiated, together with the reimbursement of out of pocket expenses incurred in connection therewith.

SECTION 7: Government Consultants of Louisiana, Inc. is hereby selected as Financial Advisor for the Parish in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Benton. It was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010, with the following vote recorded:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Butler

CINDY A. DODSON

PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve Change Order No. 3 on the emergency chiller at the Bossier Parish Courthouse, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 3 on the emergency chiller at the Bossier Parish Courthouse.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wanda Bennett, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 3.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve Supplement No. 3 to the contract with Denmon Engineering Company, Inc., for the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension Project, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Supplement No. 3 to the contract with Denmon Engineering Company, Inc., for the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension Project.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford discussed the Plat of Survey for Bryan Anthony Pierce and Brooke Bolin Pierce, located in Section 14, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, advising that the property is located in Northlake Estates off Butler Hill Road. He stated that a drainage ditch runs through the property and the landowner has provided a replat of the lot to include a drainage easement there which will enable parish crews to maintain the ditch. Mr. Ford stated that he has approved the plat administratively and requested that the jury ratify his approval. **Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to ratify approval of the Plat of Survey for Bryan Anthony Pierce and Brooke Bolin Pierce, located in Section 14, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to adopt a resolution supporting Thomas Oilfield Services, LLC, 4115 Meadow Lane, and allowing them to receive the local benefits of the Quality Jobs Program. Motion carried, with Mr. Cochran opposing.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION STATING THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY’S ENDORSEMENT OF THOMAS OILFIELD SERVICES, LLC, 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 106.01 , 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 3rd day of March, 2010, and endorses Thomas Oilfield Services, LLC, Quality Job Application #2010005, 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. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to adopt a resolution supporting True Turn Machine, LLC, 4117 Meadow Lane, and allowing them to receive the local benefits of the Quality Jobs Program. Motion carried, with Mr. Cochran opposing.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION STATING THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY'S ENDORSEMENT OF TRUE TURN MACHINE, LLC, 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 106.01 , 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 3rd day of March, 2010, and endorses True Turn Machine, LLC, Quality Job Application #2010009, 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. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Meachum. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to accept the proposal of Moon & Associates in the amount of \$13,000 to perform appraisals for the Red Chute Utilities Wastewater System, the Red Chute Water Distribution System, the Highland Utilities Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Highland Utilities Water Distribution System, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a proposal with Moon & Associates in the amount of \$13,000 to perform appraisals for the Red Chute Utilities Wastewater System, the Red Chute Water Distribution System, the Highland Utilities Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Highland Utilities Water Distribution System.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby, to accept the proposal of Tom Bourland & Associates, LLC, for environmental services in connection with Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, and authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a proposal with Tom Bourland & Associates, LLC, for environmental services in connection with Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Scarborough Road Overlay Project No. 2009-174, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Scarborough Road Overlay Project No. 2009-175.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wanda Bennett, 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. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Egypt Hill Road Overlay Project No. 2009-175, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Egypt Hill Road Overlay Project No. 2009-175.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wanda Bennett, 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. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to accept the proposal of Balar Engineers & Surveyors in the amount of \$23,250 to perform an evaluation of existing water and wastewater systems located in the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a proposal with Balar Engineers & Surveyors in the amount of \$23,250 to perform an evaluation of existing water and wastewater systems located in the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve Change Order No. 17 on the Cyber Innovation Center Building, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 17 on the Cyber Innovation Center Building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 17.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Jurors were provided a copy of the proposed Operating Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Ware Youth Center, for operation of the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter. Mr. Jackson stated that the proposed agreement is for a six-month term and becomes effective on March 8, 2010. He stated that the agreement provides that the police jury will pay the difference between the collections of the youth shelter through its various use agreements and allocations, and the cost of operation. Mr. Jackson stated that there could be a potential cost to the parish of up to \$250,000. Mr. Hammack requested that a tabulation of the jury's expenses be provided after the first two months of the agreement so that jurors will be aware of where the police jury stands financially in the operation of the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter.

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve the Operating Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Ware Youth Center for operation of the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents in connection with an Operating Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Ware Youth Center for operation of the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Jackson discussed the proposal of Quality Trucking to relocate its operations to northwest Louisiana, and advised that representatives of Quality Trucking have expressed an interest in purchasing property in the Commerce Park. He requested authority to pursue this matter. **Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to authorize the Parish Attorney to negotiate an option agreement with Quality Trucking for the purchase of up to 27.95 acres in the Commerce Park. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Altimus advised that a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held on Saturday, March 6, 2010, at the State Fairgrounds. He stated that residents will have the opportunity to dispose of old tires, oil, pesticides, batteries, paint and ammunition, among other household hazardous waste, and advised that Shreveport Green is handling the collection.

Mr. Altimus advised that a public hearing on the Winfield Road Extension project is scheduled on March 11, 2010, at 6:00 p.m., in the police jury meeting room.

Mr. Altimus advised on a public hearing regarding the Statewide Flood Control Program, and advised that the Eastwood/Merrywood Project will appear in the 2011 recommended construction program.

Mr. Altimus reported that Louisiana Tech is testing a natural herbicide which may be effective in the eradication of salvinia on area lakes. He stated that the material has been developed in accordance with research by Dr. Lynn Walker and is currently being used on test plots.

Mr. Altimus advised of correspondence from the Espanita Homeowners Association expressing appreciation to Mr. Andrews, Public Works Director, for the highway department's assistance in correcting a drainage problem.

Mr. Altimus discussed the proposed parishwide zoning, advising that Wilbur Smith Associates has reported that public meetings on the matter went well. He stated that most negative comments were received from very rural areas of the parish. A public output report is to be presented at the April 7, 2010, regular meeting and the jury will then make its decision on the establishment of parishwide zoning regulations.

Mr. Jackson reported on a meeting regarding the proposed noise ordinance. He stated that ambient level monitors will be placed at five locations in the parish to collect data, and the findings from these monitors will be reported to Mr. Altimus.

Mr. Jim Firth, Purchasing Manager, reported on a proposal regarding natural gas usage at the Bossier Parish Courthouse. He advised that in July, 2009, a public tariff was filed with the Public Service Commission which provided an opportunity for commercial consumers using in excess of 25,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day, to negotiate the price and hire their own transport company. Mr. Firth stated that the courthouse qualifies for this program and advised that a reduced rate could be negotiated. He advised that at this time, the parish is paying over \$8.00 per 100 cubic feet. Mr. Firth requested authority to further pursue this matter, advising that the proposal could result in a savings of approximately \$40,000 annually. Mr. Cummings requested that Mr. Firth review last year's rates to see how much the amounts fluctuated.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to authorize Mr. Firth, to proceed with this matter. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Firth advised that he is working on consolidating the two correctional facilities in order to reach the 25,000 cubic feet per day minimum requirement.

Mr. Altimus advised that information regarding resolutions adopted at the recent Police Jury Association Convention is available for review.

Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, presented an update on the Princeton Sports Complex, advising that bids on water and sewer service were received and came in under budget. He stated that the annual baseball season should begin in approximately 45 days.

Mr. Ford advised that a meeting with FEMA representatives is scheduled to discuss funding available to the parish in connection with damages caused by the recent flooding event. He stated that \$1 million is requested for road repairs as flooding has severely damaged several parish roads. Mr. Ford stated that the Poole Road bridge is still closed and there has been discussion with oil companies regarding a new type of bridge.

Mr. Ford advised that a meeting of officials from the police jury, the City of Bossier City and the Bossier Parish Levee Board, is planned to discuss recent flooding and to develop future plans to address emergency issues in the event of another major flooding event in the parish. He reported that the highway department is currently looking at a new sandbagging machine that is much faster and requires fewer employees to operate.

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

Mr. Plummer, Finance Chairman, referred to a proposal by Merrill Lynch to enter into an agreement with the police jury for the management of funds designated as investment funds, and requested that a Finance Subcommittee be appointed to assist him in reviewing this proposal. Mr. Plummer asked that Mr. Altimus, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Butler and Mr. Cummings serve as the Finance Subcommittee and advised that he will schedule a committee meeting as soon as possible.

Mr. Plummer stated that he has received many compliments on the Princeton Sports Complex.

Mr. Meachum referred to the minutes of the February 17, 2010, regular meeting regarding property located at Highway 157 and Highway 614, which was sold by the police jury to Mr. Al Parker. It was mistakenly indicated in the February 17, 2010, minutes that the property was sold by the police jury to the Town of Haughton and Mr. Meachum clarified that the property was sold to Mr. Al Parker.

Mr. Johnston reported on the recent Police Jury Association Convention in Lake Charles, LA, and advised that the meetings were very informative. Mr. Darby stated that he also attended the convention and reported on information regarding health care in Louisiana.

Mr. Benton reported that the Princeton Sports Complex looks good.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of March, 2010, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:30 p.m.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY