

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL MEETING
March 11, 2010
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in special and legal session on this 11th day of March, 2010, at 11:30 a.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Ms. Wanda Bennett, called the meeting to order and the Parish Secretary, Ms. Cindy Dodson, called the roll, with the following members present:

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

The President announced the purpose of the special meeting:

1. To call a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Bossier Parish Constable District 5, and to make an interim appointment to fill said vacancy until such time as the election can be held.
2. To consider any other business that may come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in special session.

Mr. Clarence E. "Gene" Hillen, Jr., addressed the jury and expressed his interest in appointment to the office of Bossier Parish Constable District 5. He stated that he currently serves as Assistant Chief of Police for the Town of Benton, and advised that he will work hard to ensure that laws are being properly enforced and to make District 5 better for its citizens.

Mr. Charles Pilkinton, Chief of Police for the Town of Benton, stated that Mr. Hillen is very ambitious and more than qualified for the position of Constable. He clarified that if Mr. Hillen is appointed, there is no conflict of interest in connection with his position with the police department. Mr. Pilkinton stated that he highly recommends Mr. Hillen for appointment as Bossier Parish Constable, District 5.

Mr. Johnston stated that Mr. Hillen's knowledge of civil laws will be beneficial in serving as Constable.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the interim appointment of Mr. Clarence E. "Gene" Hillen, Jr., to the office of Bossier Parish Constable District 5, to fill the vacancy created due to the resignation of Mr. Jim Frazier, and to call a special primary election on October 2, 2010, to fill said vacancy. Motion carried unanimously. In the event of a run-off, the general election is scheduled for November 2, 2010, and qualifying times for interested candidates is July 7 through July 9, 2010.

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of Bossier Parish Constable District 5, due to the resignation of Mr. James E. "Jim" Frazier, submitted on March 4, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Bossier Parish Police Jury, in special session on this 11th day of March, 2010, does hereby appoint Mr. Clarence E. "Gene" Hillen, Jr., to serve as interim appointee to the Bossier Parish Constable District 5, until such time as an election to fill this vacancy can be duly held.

FURTHER, the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby issue notice, call and proclamation for a special primary election and special general election to be held in Bossier Parish Constable District 5, to fill said vacancy.

The Bossier Parish Police Jury does fix the date of the primary election for October 2, 2010, and the date of the general election for November 2, 2010, at the times, places and manner prescribed by law.

Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate for said office shall file the necessary papers required by law, with the appropriate entity in the manner and form and under the procedures and conditions required by law, during the period commencing on July 7, 2010, and ending on July 9, 2010.

The Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby request the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Board of Supervisors of Elections, the Clerk of Court, the Registrar of Voters and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty or responsibility in conducting elections in the Parish of Bossier to exercise every lawful function and do every act necessary to conduct said elections, cause the returns thereof to be made, and in general to perform all related and incidental functions necessary to canvass and promulgate the results thereof.

The above proclamation was presented by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon vote, the proclamation was duly adopted by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in special session on this 11th day of March, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in special and legal session on this 11th day of March, 2010, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 11:40 a.m.

CINDY A. DODSON
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