

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
MINUTES

September 1, 2010

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 1st day of September, 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. Bill Altimus. 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	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. Kurt Foreman, President of the North Louisiana Economic Partnership, reported on activities of the organization. He stated that the North Louisiana Economic Partnership promotes Bossier in many ways and advised that Mr. Altimus, Parish Administrator, serves as a member of the board. He stated that the North Louisiana Economic Partnership has recently added four additional parishes and three new staff members, and is working with a budget of \$1.53 million for 2010. Mr. Foreman advised that they work closely with the Greater Bossier Economic Development Foundation, the City of Bossier City and the Town of Plain Dealing. He stated that the North Louisiana Economic Partnership utilizes its website to promote Bossier Parish, and also the NEON portal, which is a workforce marketing program. Mr. Foreman advised that the North Louisiana Economic Partnership has also worked with the Cyber Innovation Center. Jurors thanked Mr. Foreman for his report.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Butler, to authorize the advertising for bids for the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277, bids to be received October 12, 2010.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby, to authorize the advertising for bids for the Ivan Lake Dam Pipe Replacement Project No. 2010-281, bids to be received October 12, 2010.

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 MP11, LLC/PieWorks to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a Conditional Use Approval at a B-3 location, 5000 Benton Road, Suite 10, Bossier Parish, LA, for on-premise consumption of low and high content alcohol at a proposed restaurant. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Ms. Jamie Wessler was present on behalf of MP11, LLC/PieWorks. She stated that they are applying for both a low and high content alcohol license and advised that the sale of alcohol is only 10 to 15 percent of their total annual sales.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the application of MP11, LLC/PieWorks for a zoning amendment, as presented.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4349

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE FOR ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION OF HIGH/LOW CONTENT ALCOHOL AT A RESTAURANT AT A B-3 LOCATION, 5000 BENTON ROAD, SUITE 10, BOSSIER PARISH, LA.

WHEREAS, MP11, LLC/PieWorks, has applied to the Bossier Parish Police Jury for Conditional Use for the on-premise consumption of high/low content alcohol at a restaurant, 5000 Benton Road, Suite 10, Bossier Parish, LA; and

WHEREAS, the application has been approved by the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing for the application was held by the Bossier Parish Police Jury on September 1, 2010.

SECTION 1. That the Conditional Use for the on-premise consumption of high/low content alcohol at a restaurant, 5000 Benton Road, Suite 10, Bossier Parish, LA, is hereby approved.

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider the 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 amended plat, Victoria Place, Unit No. 1, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Steven Hamm, Sligo Farms, LLC, was present. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, reported that this property is located within the Red Chute floodway but is currently being studied for possible removal from the floodway. He stated that Owen & White, Inc., has determined that a No-Rise Certificate can be obtained for each lot as they are

sold. Mr. Ford stated that the plat must be modified to add wording which indicates that the property is located in a floodway and stipulating that a No-Rise Certificate is required prior to obtaining a building permit.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve 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 amended plat, Victoria Place, Unit No. 1, Bossier Parish, LA., with the stipulation that the plat will be amended to note that the property is located in a floodway and a No-Rise Certificate is required prior to the issuance of building permits.**

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

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on September 15, 2010, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Rocky Mountain High, Unit No. 1, located in Sections 3 and 4, Township 21 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Mr. Ford stated that the original plat included 17 lots, but due to drainage issues, the developer has reduced the number of lots to four.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a public hearing on October 6, 2010, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Benton Hills, Unit No. 2, located in Section 25, Township 21 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Mr. Richard Gunter, Property Standards Officer, reported on a meeting of the Property Standards Board of Review.

Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to schedule a condemnation hearing on September 15, 2010, to consider condemnation of property at 235 Hedge Drive, Benton, LA, in accordance with property standards regulations.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to schedule a condemnation hearing on September 15, 2010, to consider condemnation of property at 270 Mott Road, Plain Dealing, LA, in accordance with property standards regulations.

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

Mr. Richard Gunter, Property Standards Officer, advised that it is recommended by the Property Standards Board of Review that condemnation proceedings on property at Lot 11, Amanda Lane, Haughton, LA, be dismissed as the property is in compliance with property standards regulations. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at Lot 11, Amanda Lane, Haughton, LA.**

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

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider whether the police jury will authorize the Parish Attorney to pursue legal action in the matter of a zoning violation at 1013 North Pointe Place, Benton, LA, or require the property owner to apply for a zoning amendment. Mr. Roy Gene Hicks, III (Trey), owner of property located at 1013 North Pointe Place, Benton, LA, was present.

Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that jurors have been provided a packet of information from the Benton-Parish MPC regarding this matter, and advised that after an investigation of the property by the MPC, it appears that Mr. Hicks is operating a commercial trucking company on his property at 1013 North Pointe Place, which is currently zoned R-1, Single Family Residential District. He stated that the Benton-Parish MPC has notified Mr. Hicks of the zoning violation.

Ms. Nancy Penwell, Benton-Parish MPC, stated that Mr. Hicks has advised that the large building on his property is used solely for personal use. She stated that there are several large trucks on the property which have been seen coming and going, and after review and consideration of the evidence, it is recommended by the MPC that this matter be pursued.

Mr. Hicks stated that the large trucks and commercial equipment currently located at 1013 North Pointe Drive, are being used in the development of a 23-lot subdivision at this location. He stated that he purchased 38.3 acres which have been subdivided into 23 lots, but advised the subdivision is not fully developed at this time. Mr. Hicks advised that he is not running his business out of the building located on his property.

Mr. Hicks stated that he is in the process of digging a pond approximately four acres in size on Lot 18 of the development and stated that L. J. Earnest is hauling the dirt. He advised that some of the dirt from this pond is being used for house pads and/or being given to other residents in the subdivision. Mr. Jackson stated that while a subdivision is under construction in a residentially zoned area, commercial activity will be seen until the subdivision has been fully completed. Mr. Altimus stated that Mr. Hicks is the developer of this subdivision who sold the lots to the homeowners there now, and these residents are concerned regarding what appears to be a commercial operation within their subdivision.

Mr. Hicks advised that his business address is 137 Robbin Lane, Bossier City, LA, and that it is located in a residential area. He stated that his employees use the dump trucks as company trucks and drive them home after every job. Mr. Hicks stated that he has obtained all the required permits for his equipment and trucks.

Mr. Jackson stated that there has been a complaint regarding an alleged dirt pit operation at 1013 North Pointe Drive, and advised that review of the matter will continue. He stated that there appears to be the never-ending construction of a pond.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to table the hearing to consider whether the police jury will authorize the Parish Attorney to pursue legal action in the matter of a zoning violation at 1013 North Pointe Place, Benton, LA, or require the property owner to apply for a zoning amendment, to allow Mr. Ford and Mr. Jackson to meet with Mr. Hicks to further review this matter. The hearing is to be continued at the September 15, 2010, regular meeting.**

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

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider whether the police jury will authorize the Parish Attorney to pursue legal action in the matter of a zoning violation at 997 Old Plain Dealing Road, Benton, LA, or require the property owner to apply for a zoning amendment. Mr. William Bahr, owner of property at 997 Old Plain Dealing Road, Benton, LA, was present.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that jurors have been provided a packet of information from the Benton-Parish MPC regarding a possible zoning violation at 997 Old Plain Dealing Road. He advised that following an investigation of this location, Mr. Bahr, property owner, has been found to be in violation of the R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, zoning classification due to the operation of a commercial trucking company at his residence. Mr. Jackson advised that the Benton-Parish MPC has notified Mr. Bahr of the zoning violation.

Ms. Penwell, Benton-Parish MPC, advised that the MPC investigated this matter in 2007, and stated that she initially found two trailers at the residence.

Mr. William Bahr stated that he has operated his business at this location since 1983 and expanded the business in 1999. He stated that he owns twelve trucks, but no more than two trucks are normally at this location at one time. Mr. Bahr stated that he has not received any complaints from his neighbors.

Mr. Jackson stated that zoning regulations became effective in 1981 and it appears that Mr. Bahr has been in business long enough that he has operated on a good faith belief that he was in compliance and no one took action to enforce zoning regulations. He further stated that the jury has the option to allow Mr. Bahr to continue his business, as it exists today, as a standard non-conforming use at this location. Mr. Jackson stated that in doing so, Mr. Bahr must agree to continue his business as it exists, with no expansion or change. He stated that if Mr. Bahr makes any change in his operation, he must apply to the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the current R-A zoning at this location to the applicable commercial zoning classification.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Avery, to allow a standard non-conforming use at 997 Old Plain Dealing Road, Benton, LA, with the stipulation that the business must remain as it exists today with 12 trucks, an office, no lot or yard to store trucks, limited use of the facility and is not a 24-hour operation, and with the understanding that should there be any change or expansion in the business, Mr. William Bahr is required to file an application with the Benton-Parish MPC to obtain the proper commercial zoning classification at 997 Old Plain Dealing Road.**

The President called for public comment. Mr. Trey Hicks expressed concern regarding the validity of complaints received on possible zoning violations. Ms. Bennett stated that it has been the policy of the police jury to not reveal the name of a complainant. **Votes were cast and the motion carried, with Ms. Bennett opposing.**

Mr. Benton reported on a meeting of the Insurance Committee regarding employee group health insurance, advising that the stabilization report indicates that the group's reserve fund is in a surplus position. He stated that there are no recommendations from the Insurance Committee at this time. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to accept the Insurance Committee Report.**

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

Mr. Altimus discussed the potential refinancing of the 2002 courthouse and jail issue advising that due to current low interest rates, the police jury could realize a substantial savings and maintain the same payoff schedule. Mr. Altimus stated that a meeting will be held next week to review all options, and recommended that the matter be tabled for further consideration at the September 15, 2010, regular meeting. Mr. Hammack clarified that if refinanced, the payoff schedule will remain as is with a payoff date of 2022.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Darby, to table this matter for consideration at the September 15, 2010, regular meeting.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Cyber Innovation Center Building in connection with the tenant build-out and security/technology on the first floor, and to authorize the Parish Administrator 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 1st day of September, 2010, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Cyber Innovation Center Building in connection with the tenant build-out and security/technology on the first floor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, 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. Avery, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to accept the proposal of Denmon Engineering Company, Inc., in the amount of \$60,000, to perform a site selection study, including geotechnical work and wetlands delineation, in connection with the location of a wastewater treatment facility

for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, 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 1st day of September, 2010, that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a proposal with Denmon Engineering Company, Inc., in the amount of \$60,000, to perform a site selection study, including geotechnical work and wetlands delineation, in connection with the location of a wastewater treatment facility for 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. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
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Motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the Parish-Wide Highway-Rail Master Agreement with Louisiana Southern Railroad, Inc., in connection with highway-rail grade crossing improvements and/or grade crossing warning devices parishwide, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents. Mr. Easterly advised that this agreement includes work to be done on the Bellevue Road railroad crossing.

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 1st day of September, 2010, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a Parish-wide Highway-Rail Master Agreement with Louisiana Southern Railroad, Inc., in connection with the highway-rail grade crossing improvements and/or grade crossing warning devices parishwide.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve the application of Manjit Singh Warar for a 2010 Bossier Parish beer license at Food Junction, LLC d/b/a Country Corner, 1198 Linton Road, Benton, LA, subject to approval by the health department. The application has been approved by the Sheriff's Department.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Butler, to approve the application of Habib Ayub for a 2010 Bossier Parish beer license at Kings Korner, 756 Highway 80 East, Haughton, LA. The application has been approved by the Sheriff and Health Department.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the application of Kathy Gill for a 2010 Bossier Parish beer license at Stateline Beer & Tobacco, 11599 Highway 3, Plain Dealing, LA. The application has been approved by the Sheriff and Health Department.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Crouch Road Project No. 2010-233, 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 1st day of September, 2010, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Crouch Road Project No. 2010-233.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Benton, to amend the 2011 Road Overlay Program to add Heatherbrook Drive.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Bellevue Road Overlay Project No. 2010-237, 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 1st day of September, 2010, that it does hereby accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Bellevue Road Overlay Project No. 2010-237.

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 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Butch Ford, Parish Engineer, advised that Baker Hughes has requested the addition of a new side railing on the existing railroad track owned by the police jury in Reuben E. White Industrial Park. Mr. Gary Clark, Civil Design Group, stated that the addition of double-ended rail siding is proposed which will provide access to spot cars and to load and unload materials. He stated that this will require some reconfiguration on the west end of the existing track, and a new double-ended turnout about 800 feet east of that connection to provide service from both sides. Mr. Ford advised that Baker Hughes will hire the contractor to perform the work and the project will be completed at no cost to the police jury. He stated that the additional track will be located on property owned by Baker Hughes.

Motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the request for new rail siding at the Reuben White Industrial Park, as requested. Mr. Ford stated that all property owners in this area have been notified of the proposal and have no objection.

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

Ms. Bennett discussed improvements to Parks Road and advised that the Pattridge family is willing to donate the required right-of-way for the realignment of two 90° curves along their property. Mr. Ford stated that the Pattridge property is located at Parks and Crouch Roads. He further stated that the Pattridge family has plans to develop a subdivision on Parks Road and needs to know the jury's plans for future road improvements on Parks Road.

Mr. Ford stated that in 2005, he was advised by Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., that Mr. David Pattridge has plans to develop a subdivision on Parks Road. He stated that the Pattridge family has agreed to donate the right-of-way needed to straighten two 90° curves on Parks Road, and advised that this road realignment will affect the development of the proposed subdivision. Mr. Ford stated that the cost estimate for realignment of two curves on Parks Road is approximately \$840,000. Ms. Michan Holbrook, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., provided a breakdown of the costs. Mr. Ford stated that as traffic may increase on Parks Road once the North/South Corridor project is complete, the realignment of these two curves is needed to improve traffic safety.

Mr. Charles Coyle, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., stated that the proposed development consists of 200 lots. There was discussion regarding the number of driveways onto Parks Road. Mr. David Pattridge stated that all garages will be side entry and the homeowners will be asked to pull out onto Parks Road and not back out onto the road.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Butler, to table this matter for consideration at the September 15, 2010, regular meeting.**

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

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Butler, to approve Amendment No. 6 to the professional services contract with NTB Associates, Inc., on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project in the amount of \$126,914.90, and to authorize the Parish Administrator 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 1st day of September, 2010, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Amendment No. 6 to the professional services contract with NTB Associates, Inc., on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Butler. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to accept the proposal of Balar Engineers & Surveyors, in the amount of \$18,000, to provide professional engineering services for the preparation of a Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Information Document, as required by USDA Rural Development, for the proposed water facilities improvements (Red Chute Utilities) for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, and to authorize the Parish Administrator 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 1st day of September, 2010, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a proposal with Denmon Engineers & Surveyors, in the amount of \$18,000, to

provide professional engineering services for the preparation of a Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Information Document, as required by USDA Rural Development, for the proposed water facilities improvements (Red Chute Utilities) for 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. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
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Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to accept the proposal of Alliance, Inc., in the amount of \$3,950, to provide engineering services in connection with a vehicle detection system upgrade at the intersection of Airline Drive and Wemple Road, 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 1st day of September, 2010, that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a proposal with Alliance, Inc., in the amount of \$3,950, to provide engineering services in connection with a vehicle detection system upgrade at the intersection of Airline Drive and Wemple Road.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Butler, to accept the proposal of Alliance, Inc., in the amount of \$8,100, to provide engineering services in connection with a study to evaluate the existing conditions for the three-leg, at-grade intersection of Wemple Road and Cross Creek Road, and to provide design alternatives that promote safe movement of traffic on all legs with a minimal amount of delay to drivers using the intersection, 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 1st day of September, 2010, that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a proposal with Alliance, Inc., in the amount of \$8,100, to provide engineering services in connection with a study to evaluate the existing conditions for the three-leg, at-grade intersection of Wemple Road and Cross Creek Road, and to provide design alternatives that promote safe movement of traffic on all legs with a minimal amount of delay to drivers using the intersection.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Butler. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to accept the proposal of Alliance, Inc., in the amount of \$9,600, to provide engineering services in connection with a study to evaluate the existing conditions for the four-leg, at-grade intersection of Wemple Road and Old Brownlee Road, and to provide design alternatives that promote safe movement of traffic on all legs with a minimal amount of delay to drivers using the intersection, 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 1st day of September, 2010, that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a proposal with Alliance, Inc., in the amount of \$9,600, to provide engineering services in connection with a study to evaluate the existing conditions for the four-leg, at-grade intersection of Wemple Road and Old Brownlee Road, and to provide design alternatives that promote safe movement of traffic on all legs with a minimal amount of delay to drivers using the intersection.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to accept the proposal of Balar Engineers & Surveyors in the amount of \$20,700, to provide engineering services in connection with the FY2010-2011 LCDBG Street Improvements project, and to authorize the Parish Administrator 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 1st day of September, 2010, that William 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 \$20,700, to provide engineering services in connection with the FY2010-2011 LCDBG Street Improvements project.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Johnston. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly

adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Darby, to adopt a resolution ratifying Mr. Altimus' signature on a lien release on property located at 204 Robbin Lane, Princeton, LA.

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 1st day of September, 2010, that it does hereby authorize William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, to execute on its behalf, a lien release on property located at 204 Robbin Lane, Princeton, LA.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 1st day of September, 2010.

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PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Altimus presented a letter of appreciation to the jury and to the highway department from Sportspectrum for making the 30th year of the River Cities Triathlon held on August 1, 2010, at Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation Park, a success. He stated that the highway department repaired several potholes along the bike trail, and reported that there were over 1,100 participants in the event.

Mr. Altimus reported that the Police Jury Association Region 4 meeting will be held in Lincoln Parish on September 17, 2010, and requested that jurors advise the staff if they plan to attend.

Mr. Altimus presented a letter of appreciation to the jury from the Bossier Parish School Board and Kerr Elementary for the police jury's assistance in the construction of a walking trail at Kerr Elementary.

Mr. Altimus discussed the proposed air conditioning improvement project for the administrative areas of the penal farm facility and advised that the inmates will be moved to the maximum security facility while the work is being done. He recommended that the facility be painted inside and stainless steel tabletops be installed while the inmates are housed at the maximum security jail. Mr. Altimus stated that the air conditioning project came in under budget and that a Department of Natural Resources grant has been received in the amount of \$129,000. He stated that the estimated cost of the painting and tabletops is approximately \$87,000, and that upon completion of all improvements, there should be excess funds remaining.

The matter is to be further considered at the September 15, 2010, regular meeting.

Mr. Randy Miller, 5053 Sweetwater Drive, and Mr. Jim Taylor, 5049 Sweetwater Drive, were present for discussion of a drainage problem in Sweetwater Oaks Subdivision. Mr. Ford advised that due to the flooding in 2009, the area around a drainage pipe that runs between these two properties has washed out and there is a hole in the catch basin. He stated that accessing the parish's 15-foot drainage easement to make the needed repairs will be difficult due to several structures located within the easement. Mr. Ford stated that a driveway and fence are located in the drainage easement, and advised that parish crews will have difficulty reaching the easement with the necessary equipment and materials without moving and/or replacing the structures. He stated that this could result in a substantial cost to the parish.

Mr. Miller stated that he is willing to allow parish crews to access the area from the right side of his property, but stated that he is hesitant to sign the required hold harmless agreement. Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that landowners who build in a public drainage easement chance that the easement will never be needed. He stated that to use public funds to remove items from a public easement may set a precedent. Ms. Bennett suggested that Mr. Miller remove the items from the easement to allow the parish to do the needed repair work.

Mr. Ford requested that he be allowed to further review this matter and present his recommendation to the jury at the September 15, 2010, regular meeting.

Mr. Ford advised that meetings with Owen and White, Inc., are scheduled on September 8 and 9, 2010, in the police jury conference room to discuss several parish projects and encouraged jurors to attend.

Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, reported on the status of the 2010 Road Overlay Program, and on other road and ditch projects in the parish.

Mr. Cochran advised of a request from Plantation Park Elementary for assistance in purchasing a new sign for the school. This matter is to be considered at the September 15, 2010, finance meeting.

Mr. Darby advised that he attended a local football jamboree Friday night, and reported that several entities were recognized for their support of Bossier Parish schools. He stated that the police jury should also be recognized for its many contributions to Bossier Parish schools.

Mr. Darby reported on the possible theft of DVDs and books from parish libraries. He requested that the staff review the current library security systems. Mr. Altimus is to further review this matter.

Ms. Bennett advised that she attended a reception honoring Ms. Ada Myrick on her retirement from the Bossier Parish Library Board of Control and reported that she presented to Ms. Myrick, on behalf of the police jury, a resolution of appreciation adopted by the jury on August 18, 2010.

Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney, reported that the settlement agreement with Walton Construction Company has been finalized.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 1st day of September, 2010, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 4:48 p.m.

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