

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY  
BENTON, LOUISIANA  
MINUTES  
June 20, 2012

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Rick Avery, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Bob Brotherton, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Mac Plummer. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Cindy Dodson, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby, absent
Ms. Wanda Bennett	Mr. Wayne Hammack
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Mac Plummer
Mr. Bob Brotherton	Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Fred Shewmake
Mr. Sonny Cook	Mr. Jack Skaggs

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to adopt the minutes of the May 2, 2012, and the May 16, 2012, regular meetings, and the May 16, 2012, Finance Committee meeting, as published.**

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

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Ms. Shelba Sellers requested that she be allowed to speak regarding two items on the agenda. The jury concurred.

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Ms. Ginger Adam, Lobbyist, congratulated Bossier Parish as being named one of the fastest growing parishes in the nation, advising that of all parishes and counties, Bossier Parish ranked 91st. Ms. Adam presented a final report on the 2012 Regular Legislative Session. Representative Henry Burns and Representative Jeff Thompson were also present.

Ms. Adam reported that discussion of the state's budget dominated the session. She stated that a proposed constitutional amendment (House Bill 674) and its companion bill (House Bill 694) proposed by the Jindal Administration and the Louisiana Economic Development Department, will allow the Economic Development Department and local governing authorities to extend property tax exemptions to target new business sectors, including corporate headquarters, distribution facilities, data service facilities, research and development operations, and digital media and software development centers. She stated that this legislation will help in the continuing development of the Cyber Innovation Center. Ms. Adam stated that in order for a business to qualify for the 10-year exemption, it must invest a minimum of \$25 million and involve 50-plus new jobs. She stated that participation in the exemption of local ad valorem taxes requires approval by the parish governing authority, the Sheriff, Tax Assessor, School Board and municipalities.

Ms. Adam discussed Capital Outlay funding, advising that the state has \$350,000 million available for new and continuing projects. She explained that Priority 1 is a reauthorization of existing projects that are eligible for a cash line of credit, and Priority 2 is proposed new funding for projects eligible for cash lines of credit. Ms. Adam stated that Priority 5 represents eligible non-cash lines of credit. She stated that Bossier Parish currently has several projects in Priority 1. Ms. Adam stated that any projects that are in Priority 1 or Priority 5 should be placed on the State Bond Commission's July agenda to obtain reauthorization in order to proceed with the projects, and recommended that Mr. Altimus submit a letter to Representative Henry Burns requesting support from the Division of Administration in having these projects placed on the July agenda of the State Bond Commission.

Ms. Adam reported that Senator Peacock was successful in obtaining Capital Outlay funds for rehabilitation of the Jimmie Davis Bridge, and stated that Representative Jeff Thompson was successful in obtaining funds for street lighting from LA 3032 (West Gate Drive) to LA 511 (Jimmie Davis Highway).

Ms. Adam discussed Senate Bill 751, stating that this bill addresses the Bassmaster Classic issue as it relates to regional versus national product shows and the participation of dealers, distributors, and manufactures. She stated that Governor Jindal has signed the bill, advising that this will allow the Bassmaster Classic event to return to the Shreveport/Bossier area.

Ms. Adam discussed House Bill 783 which authorizes the issuance of bonds secured by funds in the State Highway Improvement Fund for road improvements statewide. She stated that the Department of Transportation and Development is in the process of creating a list of eligible roads.

Ms. Adam discussed House Bill 936 which creates a 25 member Military Advisory Council within the Louisiana Economic Development Department, advising that the Governor will appoint a representative from Barksdale Forward to serve on this council. She stated that the council will be charged with providing a public forum for issues concerning the installations and units of armed forces located in Louisiana, and the military and retired military personnel and their families who reside in Louisiana.

Ms. Adam discussed Senate Bill 285 which dedicates a portion of the Louisiana Fire Marshal Fund in the amount of \$50,000, to the Camp Minden Fire Protection Fund. She stated that the funds are subject to appropriation by the state after spending requirements of said funds are met.

Ms. Adam stated that there were changes to the open meeting law, and the public bid law.

Ms. Adam reviewed several bills that did not pass, stating that some of the bills would have been detrimental to Bossier Parish.

Representative Henry Burns addressed the jury providing information on the legislative session, and extended appreciation to Ms. Adam for her continued work to support Bossier Parish.

After further discussion, the jury thanked Ms. Adam for her report, and commended her for her efforts in Baton Rouge. Jurors also thanked members of the legislative delegation for their continued support of Bossier Parish.

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Ms. Shelba Sellers requested additional information regarding the application of Mary Elizabeth Tuminello for a zoning amendment, asking where the proposed commercial business will be located. Mr. Benton advised that the property is located on Highway 80 just before the shopping center in Haughton where Pepe's Mexican Restaurant is located. He stated that access to the property is off Highway 80.

Ms. Sellers requested additional information regarding the proposed amended sewerage rates for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District. Mr. Benton stated that public meetings will be held in July to provide the public with information concerning the sewerage rates, and to allow public input.

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Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider revocation of the 2012 Bossier Parish beer/liquor license of Mohamad Ayache, Adams Enterprise, LLC, at Sligo Country Store, 1898 Sligo Road, Bossier City, LA.

Chief Tom Myrick advised that the Sheriff's Department has received and approved a new manager's application submitted by Ms. Emma Edwards for the Sligo Country Store, and is rescinding its disapproval of the 2012 Bossier Parish beer/liquor license of Mohamad Ayache, Adams Enterprise, LLC, at Sligo Country Store, 1898 Sligo Road, Bossier City, LA. After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to acknowledge that the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department has rescinded its disapproval of the 2012 Bossier Parish beer/liquor license of Mohamad Ayache, Adams Enterprise, LLC, at Sligo Country Store, 1898 Sligo Road, Bossier City, LA, and to dismiss revocation proceedings in this matter.**

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

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Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 15, located in Section 8, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Micha Duffy, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., stated that the proposed development is a continuation of the existing units of Dogwood South Subdivision. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that at his request, the proposed plat has been amended to show the extension of a drainage pipe between lots 456 and 457 to the back of lot 456. He further stated that a 40 x 40 easement has been provided at lots 445 and 446 to allow maintenance of a water well. Mr. Bruce Logan, developer, stated that he will maintain the water well site. Mr. Ford stated that the proposed subdivision will not include sidewalks, but street lights and a walking trail are planned.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 15, located in Section 8, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Sections 32 and 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Adam Powell, Raley and Associates, Inc., stated that the proposed development is a continuation of the existing unit of The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that sidewalks and street lights are planned, and that the proposed subdivision will include 50-foot easements, green spaces and additional parking spaces for guests.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the plat of the proposed development of The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Sections 32 and 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider the application of Mary Elizabeth Tuminello, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land on the south side of Highway 80 and north side of Bodcau Station Road, located in Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to B-3, General Business District, for future commercial use. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Mr. Mitch Johnson, future owner and developer of the property, stated that once the rezoning is approved, the construction of an Ivey's Building Materials Center at this location is proposed.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the application of Mary Elizabeth Tuminello, 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. 4434

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BOSSIER PARISH ORDINANCE NO. 3908 OF 2003, WHICH ADOPTED A UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE BOSSIER CITY-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, LOUISIANA, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF HIGHWAY 80 AND NORTH SIDE OF BODCAU STATION ROAD, IN SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENTIAL-AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO B-3, GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FOR FUTURE COMMERCIAL USE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, that Ordinance No. 3908 of 2003 (Unified Development Code) of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located on the south side of Highway 80 and north side of Bodcau Station Road, in Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to B-3, General Business District, for future commercial use, being more particularly described as follows:

All of that part of East One-Half (E1/2) of the West One-Half (W1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of the Northeast

Quarter (NE1/4) of Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, lying South of U.S. Highway 80, Less and Except the following tract:

All that part of East ½ of the West ½ of the Northwest ¼ of the Northeast ¼ of Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, lying South of the Bodcau Road, being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of the West ½ of Northwest ¼ of the Northeast ¼ of Section 16, run South 80 degrees 47' West, 330.00 feet; thence run North 0 degrees 13' West, 106.22 feet to a point on the South Right of way line of Bodcau Road; thence run South 81 degrees 31' East along said Right of way line, 333.84 feet; thence run South 0 degrees 13', East 55.72 feet to the point of beginning. Said tract herein described contains 7.706 acres more or less.

Applicant: Mary Elizabeth Tuminello

Purpose: Future commercial use

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON  
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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

Mr. Ford reported that Ms. Kent has advised that she will not be able to attend today's meeting and requested that this matter be tabled.

**Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the minor Plat of Survey for Jimmy Lane Kent, located in Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, to be considered at the July 3, 2012, regular meeting.**

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

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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on July 18, 2012, to consider the application of Kenneth Edwards, to the Benton-Parish MPC for a Special Exception to allow a mobile home/manufactured home on a 1.0 acre tract of land located just south of the driveway of 5295 Linton Cut Off Road, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to schedule a public hearing on July 3, 2012, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 14a, being a resubdivision of Lots 423-426 of Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 14, located in Section 8, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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Mr. Glenn Benton, Chairman of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee, reported on a meeting of that committee, advising that he, Mr. Plummer, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Cook, and Mr. Shewmake were present. He stated that Mr. Bill Altimus, Mr. Butch Ford, Mr. Steve Quaid, Mr. Greg Blount, Mr. Mike Vetkoetter, Mr. Charlie Coyle, Mr. Mark Long, Mr. Micha Duffy, Mr. Greg Williams, and Ms. Michan Holbrook were also present.

Mr. Benton advised that a new type of open storage drainage from Flat River to a retention pond is being considered for Jamestown Subdivision, and that the issue of who is responsible for maintenance has not been resolved. He stated that the committee has no recommendations at this time pertaining to this matter as additional study is required.

Mr. Benton advised that the City of Bossier City has submitted a request to handle all building inspections in Bossier City and Bossier Parish. He stated that IBTS is restructuring its contract with the police jury and will provide new costs. He stated that the committee will review the proposal and submit a recommendation.

Mr. Benton advised that Mr. Ford will be meeting with the developers of subdivisions in the Highway 3, Kingston Road and Airline Drive area to discuss possibly connecting all subdivisions to allow for additional ingress and egress for emergency purposes for the residential subdivisions.

Mr. Benton discussed shoulders along parish roads. Mr. Ford advised that there have been several accidents involving cyclists and vehicles in the last month, and there is a safety concern for pedestrians and cyclists on parish roads. He stated that the committee has recommended that a study be done for future plans for designated shared use trails on parish roadways to help ensure public safety.

Mr. Benton discussed property standards complaints regarding abandoned/junk vehicles, advising that it is the recommendation of the committee that if the abandoned/junk vehicles do not pose a threat to public health, safety, or welfare, the issue of enforcing the allowable number of abandoned/junk vehicles should be regulated by subdivision covenants. No action was taken.

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Mr. Bobby Edmiston, Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, advised that 2012 is a reassessment year, and that reassessment is required every four years. He stated that when property values are increased or decreased due to reassessment, state law requires that property tax millage rates be adjusted to ensure that the same amount of tax revenue is generated. Mr. Edmiston stated that there are strict publication requirements and deadlines that must be met if a taxing body desires to roll forward its millage rates.

Mr. Altimus recommended that the jury not roll forward, advising that the majority of tax revenue received by the jury comes from sales tax.

After further discussion, it was the consensus of the jury to not roll forward its property tax millage rates for the year 2012.

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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to schedule a public meeting on July 3, 2012, to adopt property tax millage rates for the year 2012.**

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

**unanimously.**

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Mr. Larry Landry, Bossier Parish Director of Public Utilities, stated that additional study is needed prior to adoption of an amended rate schedule for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1, and requested that this matter be tabled. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to table the matter of a proposed amended rate schedule for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1, Parish of Bossier, to be considered at the July 3, 2012, regular meeting.**

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

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Representative Jeff Thompson reported that the 2012 Regular Legislative Session was very productive, and stated that he is proud to represent Bossier Parish.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to ratify and accept the recommendation of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Board of Appeals on June 6, 2012, to uphold the findings of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Commanding Officer, in the matter of R & R Earthmoving, LLC, Report No. 390, issued on March 27, 2012.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to authorize (i) exchange of real property with Sligo Farms, LLC, and/or William A. Lucky, III, (ii) revocation of dedication of property being exchanged, and (iii) declaration of property being exchanged no longer needed for public purposes.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to adopt a resolution authorizing and/or ratifying the acquisition by the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1, Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, from Eagle Water, LLC, for \$1,505,300 all of the following sewer collection systems: (1) Mimosa Gardens/South Merrywoods, (2) Espanita Forest/Espanita Village Facilities, (3) Tall Timbers/Wafer Forest Sewer Facilities, (4) Melville Place Sewer Facilities, and (5) Creekside Sewer Facilities, together with certain real estate, including three oxidation ponds and two sewerage treatment facilities; and to authorize and/or ratify William R. Altimus to execute all closing documents related to same.**

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 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, that it does hereby authorize and/or ratify the acquisition by the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1, Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, from Eagle Water, LLC, for \$1,505,300 all of the following sewer collection systems: (1) Mimosa Gardens/South Merrywoods, (2) Espanita Forest/Espanita Village Facilities, (3) Tall Timbers/Wafer Forest Sewer Facilities, (4) Melville Place Sewer Facilities, and (5) Creekside Sewer Facilities, together with certain real estate, including three oxidation ponds and two sewerage treatment facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William R. Altimus is hereby authorized to execute all closing documents.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON  
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT  
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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to ratify approval of a request from Bossier Parish Communications District No. 1 for assistance with the construction of an access road to a 911 radio tower site located off Cycle Plant Road, with Bossier Parish Communications District No. 1 paying all material costs.**

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

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Mr. Altimus stated that due to growth in the parish, efforts are made to obtain new aerial photographs every two to three years and recommended that the jury participate in the cost.

**Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to participate in the cost of an overfly of the entire parish, in an amount of up to \$20,000, to provide updated aerial photographs.**

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

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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 19 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277, advising that the plan change results in a deduct of -\$18,150. **Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve Plan Change No. 19 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277, and to authorize the President to execute documents.**

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

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 19 on the Bellevue Road Improvements Project No. 2010-277.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 19.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON  
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT  
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**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to authorize the preparation of a resolution authorizing the acquisition of property and/or the institution of expropriation proceedings pursuant to a Local Services Agreement executed between the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City necessary for the construction and completion of the Wemple Road Improvements Project.**

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

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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the request of Sportspectrum for a letter of no objection to the selling of beer at the annual River Cities Triathlon on August 5, 2012, at the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation Park, 135 Cypress Park Drive, Benton, LA.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to deny the request of Muddy Waters Sports Bar for a letter of no objection to the selling of alcohol and beer at a special event "NFL Sunday" games beginning August 26, 2012, and continuing for each Sunday through Super Bowl Sunday on February 3, 2013, at the Muddy Waters Sports Bar, 5000 Benton Road, Suite 15, Bossier City, LA.**

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

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Mr. Morgan Johnson expressed his desire for appointment as the police jury representative to the Human Services District. He stated that he works with several programs that assist people with addictions, and that it is an honor to help people overcome those addictions.

**Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to appoint Mr. Morgan Johnson as police jury representative to the Human Services District Board to replace Mr. David Melville.**

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

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Mr. Russell Semon, Human Services District, extended appreciation to the police jury for their continued support of the creation of the Human Services District. He stated that this program was created to replace the Department of Health and Hospitals' program for mental health, addictive disorders and developmental disabilities, and that the program is state funded. He advised that there are currently 11 members on the 12 member board, and stated that the board has been meeting since May of 2011. Mr. Semon advised that there is a legislative requirement of four phases that each board must meet prior to the DHH allowing the Human Services Board to govern the program. He advised that the board for Human Services District 7 has recently completed Phase 1 of the legislative requirements and is working to complete the next three phases.

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Mr. Altimus reported that an Investiture for Ms. Susie Morgan's appointment as a federal judge is scheduled for June 29, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in New Orleans.

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Mr. Altimus presented photographs of Mr. Benton, Mr. Ford and Mr. Jackson that were found in the Annual Convention issue of the Police Jury Association's magazine.

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Mr. Russell Craig, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Commanding Officer, and Mr. Sammy Halphen, Director of Public Safety, presented a report on increased accidents in Caddo and Bossier Parish involving commercial vehicles. Mr. Halphen stated that in the last month, Caddo Parish has requested assistance from the Bossier Parish Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit at two accident scenes involving commercial vehicles. He stated that he and Mr. Craig are working with the local fire districts to conduct a study on the matter of hazardous materials which are being transported throughout Bossier Parish. Mr. Halphen extended appreciation to Mr. Craig and the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit for their work in keeping Bossier Parish roadways safe.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on July 18, 2012, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 3, and St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on July 3, 2012, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Sunflower Pointe Subdivision, located in Section 23, Township 17 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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Mr. Ford advised that the required certificate of insurance and the application fee of \$100 have been received for the proposed gating at The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision. He stated that the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the operation of a security gate system at The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision will be considered at the July 3, 2012, regular

meeting.

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Mr. Ford advised that after the flood of 2009, a hole was found in the side of an aluminum box culvert on the west side of Airline Drive just south of LeOaks. He stated that a washed out area has now been discovered on the east side. Mr. Ford stated that tests were performed to determine where the fill material is being lost, and stated that settlement has been found in the northbound lane. He stated that the project can be handled in-house, and advised that northbound traffic will be reduced to one lane for approximately one week. Mr. Ford stated that northbound traffic will be diverted to the center lane while repair work is done.

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A meeting of the Capital Improvements/Building & Grounds Committee is scheduled on June 29, 2012, at 7:30 a.m., to discuss renovations to the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office located on the first floor of the courthouse.

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Mr. Ford provided updates on the Palmetto Road, Parks Road, and Poole Road projects.

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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to amend the agenda to add discussion of Holli Road, Benton, LA.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **motion carried, with the following vote recorded:**

- AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs**
- NAYS: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**
- ABSENT: Mr. Darby**

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Mr. Ford advised that overweight dirt haulers have caused damage on Holli Road, as well as numerous potholes which need immediate attention. He recommended that Holli Road be scarified and turned to gravel immediately, and that cost estimates for future overlay be prepared for review. After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve funding to scarify and turn Holli Road to gravel, and to review costs for future overlay.**

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

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

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Mr. Altimus reported that Bossier Parish Highway crews are assisting Claiborne Parish in clean-up efforts due to the recent storms.

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Ms. Bennett reported on a meeting of the Coordinating Development Council held in Carthage, Texas, advising that the main discussion was the possibility of an Amtrak service through the Shreveport/Bossier area.

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

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Finance Committee Meeting – June 20, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with Mr. Darby absent.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$3,185.25 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of May, 2012, as follows:**

Tubbs Hardware & Rental	\$ 107.07
Tubbs Hardware & Rental	\$ 12.98
Tubbs Hardware & Rental	\$ 28.99
Tubbs Hardware & Rental	\$ 25.28
Tubbs Hardware & Rental	\$ 4.49
Tubbs Hardware & Rental	\$ 2.99
Tubbs Hardware & Rental	\$ 19.86
Tubbs Hardware & Rental	\$ 14.94
Swan Lake Hardware, LLC	\$ 4.99
Bobby Brannon Heating & Air Conditioning	\$2,300.00
Bossier-Caddo Glass, LLC	\$ 404.66
Bobby Brannon Heating & Air Conditioning	\$ 259.00

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

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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of May, 2012.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, that Mr. Darby will contribute**

**discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,500, Mr. Cochran will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,268, and Mr. Shewmake will contribute matching discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,268, for a total of \$4,036, to Bossier High School for the purchase of four new basketball backboards.**

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

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The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

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There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:55 p.m.

CINDY A. DODSON  
PARISH SECRETARY

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