

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 5th day of September, 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 Ms. Wanda Bennett, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Fred Shewmake, Jr. 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

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

Ms. Simone Hennessee, Providence House, presented information on services provided by Providence House to victims of domestic violence. She stated that the majority of calls received by police departments are the result of domestic violence, and the programs at Providence House offer safety and counseling. Ms. Hennessee stated that one in four women will experience domestic violence, and stated that the lives of the children involved are impacted as well. She stated that men are also often victims of domestic violence.

Ms. Hennessee requested that the police jury consider an appropriation of \$24,000 to Providence House, advising that they are approximately \$174,000 from reaching their 2013 budget goal. She stated that Providence House currently receives funding from the City of Shreveport, the Caddo Parish Commission, and from the City of Bossier City, and requested that the jury consider a budget appropriation of \$24,000 to Providence House for the year 2013. The request will be considered during budget proceedings.

Mr. Jim Davlin, Code Inspections Plus, advised that they are a third-party inspection company, and requested that the police jury consider Code Inspections Plus in its selection of a code inspection service. He stated that they currently operate in Bossier Parish, providing building code inspections for approximately 150 new homes in the year 2011. After further discussion, it was recommended that Mr. Davlin schedule a meeting with Mr. Ford to present his proposal prior to the September 19, 2012, regular meeting for consideration.

Ms. Freddie Cherry, Bossier Parish Library Board of Control, introduced Ms. Heather McEntee, advising that Ms. McEntee has been appointed as the new Bossier Parish Library Director. She stated that Ms. McEntee is well qualified for this position.

Ms. McEntee stated that she has served as the Assistant Director for the Bossier Parish Library system for five years, and that she looks forward to serving Bossier Parish as the new Library Director.

Mr. Ford recommended that the low bid of Best Yet Builders, LLC, in the amount of \$346,177.32, be accepted for the North and South Turn Lanes, LA Highway 157 at Johnson Koran Road and Sligo Road Project No. 2012-385. The matter was tabled on August 15, 2012.

Mr. Ford stated that bids for the project exceeded budgeted funds, and amendments to the contract were necessary. He stated that after reviewing the project with the Department of Transportation and Development, and in accordance with the proposed Plan Change No. 1, the amended contract amount for the project is \$258,871.40. **Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Benton, to award the bid for the North and South Turn Lanes, LA Highway 157 at Johnson Koran Road and Sligo Road Project No. 2012-385, to Best Yet Builders, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on July 31, 2012, subject to review by the Parish Attorney.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Best Yet Builders, LLC	\$346,177.32
Blount Bros. Construction, Inc.	\$497,372.00
Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Service	\$407,760.00
Benton & Brown, LLC	\$394,952.50

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 1 on the North and South Turn Lanes, LA Highway 157 at Johnson Koran Road and Sligo Road Project No. 2012-385, advising that the change results in a deduct in the amount of \$87,305.92. **Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on the North and South Turn Lanes, LA Highway 157 at Johnson Koran Road and Sligo Road Project No. 2012-385, subject to review by the Parish Attorney, 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 5th day of September, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on the North and South Turn Lanes, LA Highway 157 at Johnson Koran Road and Sligo Road Project No. 2012-385.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, recommended that the low bid of Piler International, in the amount of \$171,042, be accepted for the purchase of two new 2013 6x4 Cab and Chassis with 12-14 yard dump beds. **Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to award the bid for the purchase of two new 2013 6x4 Cab and Chassis with 12-14 yard dump beds, to Piler International, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on September 4, 2012.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Shreveport Mack	\$175,928.00
Peterbilt Truck Center of Shreveport	\$185,612.00
Piler International	\$171,042.00
LTG Lonestar Truck Group East, LLC d/b/a Shreveport Truck Center	\$183,034.00

Mr. Andrews recommended that the low bid of Doggett Machinery, in the amount of \$149,850, be accepted for the purchase of one new 2013 6x4 Cab and Chassis with 2,000 gallon tank asphalt distributor. **Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to award the bid for the purchase of one new 2013 6x4 Cab and Chassis with 2,000 gallon tank asphalt distributor, to Doggett Machinery, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on September 4, 2012.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Doggett Machinery	\$149,850.00
Covington Sales & Service, Inc.	\$165,999.00

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to determine the viciousness of a dog belonging to James Luther Butcher and Charlotte Santoro Butcher, at 111 Berry Circle, Haughton, LA.

Mr. Benton advised of several complaints regarding vicious dogs at 111 Berry Circle, Haughton, LA, and stated that this matter has been ongoing for several years. He stated that the original complaint involved two dogs, one brown Lab and one yellow Lab, but stated that the yellow Lab has since been removed from the residence with a signed affidavit stating that the dog cannot return to Bossier Parish. Mr. Benton requested information on possible fines or charges if the yellow Lab is returned to Bossier Parish. Mr. Schuyler Marvin, Bossier Parish District Attorney, stated that there are criminal charges pending in this matter and the owner could face a fine of up to \$500.

Mr. James Butcher and Ms. Charlotte Butcher, 111 Berry Circle, Haughton, LA, owners of the dogs, were present. Mr. Butcher stated that the remaining dog, a brown Lab, has never bitten anyone, but does escape from the fence and bark at people. He stated that he is working continually to improve the fence in order to keep the dogs inside the fenced area. Mr. Butcher presented photographs of the improvements made to the fence at his home, advising that electric wiring has been added at the top and bottom of the original fence and barbed wire has been placed in the ground to prevent the dogs from digging. He stated that the electrical wiring is inside the fence and not a safety hazard. Mr. Butcher stated that the brown Lab did scratch a little girl recently. He stated that the dog is not aggressive, but does display bad behavior. Ms. Butcher stated that they also have two smaller dogs, but have had no problems with them. She asked the jury to give them another chance.

Mr. Benton stated that this problem has been ongoing for several years, and Mr. Butcher is just now making efforts to secure the dogs. He stated that he has lived in the subdivision for one year and the dogs have been getting out since he moved there. Mr. Benton stated that he was attacked in front of the Butchers' driveway earlier in the spring.

Mr. Butcher stated that he has replaced three or four sections of fence with new fencing and additional barbed wire. He stated that his dogs are not vicious. Mr. Butcher stated that the problem dog belongs to his daughter and has been removed from the residence.

Mr. Avery expressed concern as to why the problem with these animals has continued for so long prior to Mr. Butcher's efforts to contain the dogs. Mr. Butcher stated that he has been trying to keep the dogs in the yard, advising that the dogs do not get out of the house, but are getting out of the yard. He again stated that they are not vicious animals. Mr. Benton stated that the reason the brown Lab was impounded was because it either bit or scratched a little girl. He stated that he has a copy of the police report for this incident.

Ms. Butcher offered to keep the dogs in the house from 3:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., when kids are home from school and neighbors may be outdoors. She stated that at 7:30 p.m. or 8:00 p.m., she would let the larger dogs out into the yard.

Ms. Bennett clarified that there are presently three dogs at the Butcher residence. Ms. Butcher confirmed this, advising that there are currently two small dogs and one large dog. Ms. Bennett stated that multiple dogs tend to take on a pack-type behavior and if one of the animals is vicious or aggressive, the others may copy that behavior.

Mr. Cary Santoro, brother of Ms. Butcher, stated that the aggressive dog has been removed from the residence and is not allowed back. He stated that the dog in question today is a completely different dog, and is in no way a vicious animal.

Mr. Benton presented a letter from Ms. Tammy Tillman, 200 Sweetgum Drive, Haughton, LA. He stated that Ms. Tillman is unable to attend today's meeting and has provided the letter to advise of her experiences with the Butchers' dogs. Mr. Benton stated that within the past few months, Ms. Tillman was walking her three year old and her infant in a double walking stroller. He stated that when Ms. Tillman came upon the Butchers' driveway, the dogs were loose in the driveway and the two larger dogs charged her, barking and growling. Mr. Benton stated that Ms. Tillman was able to get the dogs to back down within one or two feet from her. He stated that Ms. Tillman reported the incident to him.

Mr. Richard Miller, 312 Murray Lane, reported an incident where the two larger dogs charged him in his yard and grabbed his calf muscle. He stated that he reported the dog biting incident to the police and photos of the bite were taken. Mr. Miller stated that the dogs are very dangerous, and stated that the Butchers have been told numerous times that the dogs are a serious problem.

Ms. Paulette Harvey, 2224 Brownlee Road, Bossier City, spoke on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Butcher, advising that she is a professional handler of Rhodesian Ridgeback hounds. She stated that she understands what it means for a dog to be vicious, and that she has been to the Butchers' home a number of times with her family. Ms. Harvey stated that the dog in question now, runs and hides and is not a vicious dog.

Ms. Harvey presented a letter from Mr. Charles Parks, advising that he is friends with James and Charlotte Butcher. He stated that on his first visit to the Butcher home, the dog in question had never seen him or his family before. Mr. Parks indicated that the dog was shy and never aggressive toward him or his family. He stated that the dog was a lovable animal and never barked.

Ms. Harvey stated that the Butchers have done everything they have been asked to do as far as the fence and installing the gate in the proper location. She asked that the jury consider the Butchers' efforts and not label this dog as vicious.

Reese and Becky Trangmore, 309 Murray Lane, Haughton, LA, addressed the jury. Ms. Trangmore stated that the dog that is currently impounded has tried to attack them on numerous occasions. She stated that the dog showed up in the neighborhood as a stray. Ms. Trangmore stated that she contacted animal control, but the officer was unable to catch the dog. She stated that the Butchers put a collar on the dog and began feeding the animal.

Ms. Trangmore stated that the dog was allowed to run loose and reported an incident where the dog came after her growling. She stated that the dog also came after Mr. Trangmore as he walked to the mailbox. Ms. Trangmore stated that the dog has also been called off a lady who walks alone in the neighborhood. She reported an incident where her husband had to help a child that was being pinned by the dog in their driveway. Ms. Trangmore stated that she also assisted Ms. Tillman when the dog came up on Ms. Tillman and her children.

Ms. Trangmore stated that she has repeatedly called the Butchers to let them know that the dog is out, and has records of all the phone calls and times that she notified them that the animal was loose.

Mr. Trangmore stated that there have been problems with the Butchers' dogs since 2006, and stated that this has been a lengthy, ongoing problem that must be resolved.

Mr. Benton stated that he does not want the remaining large dog euthanized, but he does not want the dog allowed back in this neighborhood. He stated that there have been numerous complaints, and it appears that the Butchers are unable to contain their animals. Mr. Avery clarified that the police jury is not voting today to euthanize the animal.

Mr. Marvin, District Attorney, stated that there are certain statutes in the Criminal Code that are actually civil proceedings on the matter of determining whether a dog is declared dangerous or vicious, and explained that these are two separate issues. He stated that specific incidents occurring within a certain period of time are required. Mr. Marvin stated that the incidents that occurred in 2006 cannot be considered. He stated that documentation, such as phone records, are required, and such matters are typically handled by the court system. He stated that he has spoken with Mr. Butcher, and suggested that the jury consider allowing the court system to address this issue. Mr. Marvin stated that the dog must be declared dangerous before it can be declared vicious.

Mr. Benton clarified that if the dog is allowed back in the neighborhood, the animal must bite someone before it is declared vicious.

Mr. Marvin responded, stating that the dog has to have bitten someone in order to be declared vicious. He further stated that to be declared dangerous, the dog must have been unprovoked on two separate occasions within the prior 36 month period, and engage in any behavior that requires a defensive action by any person to prevent bodily injury while the dog is off the property of its owner. Mr. Marvin stated that there are numerous other provisions and scenarios to be considered, and various stipulations of the courts when considering such matters.

Mr. Cochran asked who instructed the Butchers to make improvements to their fence.

Mr. Altimus, Parish Administrator, stated that Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, requested that the pen be inspected, and Billy Don Slack, Animal Control Officer, was sent out to do so. He stated that Mr. Slack inspected the pen and provided a report on his findings.

Mr. Slack spoke from the audience, advising that he did inspect the pen and saw the improvements that have been made. He stated that he did not instruct the Butchers to make any improvements to the fence. Mr. Slack stated that he then submitted a report of his findings. Mr. Altimus stated that Mr. Slack's report was forwarded to Mr. Jackson for his review.

Mr. Cochran stated that he understood that there was concern that the back door of the home did not open to the pen, and he suggested that Mr. Butcher install a gate to remedy this problem. Mr. Benton stated that he was unaware of the gate until today. Mr. Butcher stated that he installed the gate last night.

Mr. Benton stated that the main concern of the neighbors is that the dogs are not kept in the Butchers' yard and are allowed to roam loose in the neighborhood. He recommended that this matter be referred to the District Attorney for handling.

Mr. Butcher asked if the matter will be resolved if he gets rid of the dog. Mr. Benton stated that the dog would have to be relocated out of Bossier Parish. Mr. Marvin stated that he will visit with Mr. Butcher.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to refer the matter to the District Attorney's office for handling.

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

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Dogwood Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 2-A, being a resubdivision of Lot 20, Dogwood Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 4, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Ford stated that one large lot is being subdivided into two lots, and advised that there is no objection from the four other property owners in this subdivision.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Dogwood Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 2-A, being a resubdivision of Lot 20, Dogwood Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 4, 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.**

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on October 3, 2012, to consider the application of Wayne Pierce, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 23.70 acres, more or less, located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, to R-MD, Residential-Medium Density District, for a multifamily development.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on October 3, 2012, to consider the application of Dianne Louise Alexander, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 5.586-acre tract of land located at 5290 River Bend Road, Haughton, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-T, Racetrack District, to R-A, Residential-Agriculture District, for a single family residence.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on October 3, 2012, to consider approval of the minor plat of Dianne Louise Alexander, located in Section 16, 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.**

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 256 Hedge Drive, Benton, LA. Mr. Mike Vetkoetter, Bossier Parish Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of the property and advised that there are no changes in the condition of the property. He stated that there are four owners of this property, and advised that he has been in contact with two of the owners. Mr. Vetkoetter stated that one of the owners has recommended that the police jury condemn the property.

Mr. Lloyd Cox, 414 Caddo Avenue, Benton, LA, stated that he owns a one-fourth interest in the property, and advised that the previous tenant did not maintain the property. He requested additional time to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations. Ms. Bennett stated that this is not the first time this property has been reported to property standards. She stated that the property is very unsightly and recommended that it be condemned.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to proceed with condemnation of property at 256 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.**

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 553 Highway 162, Benton, LA. Mr. Vetkoetter presented current photographs of the property and advised that there are no changes in the condition of the property.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to proceed with condemnation of property at 553 Highway 162, 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.**

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 2902 Loriwood Drive, Haughton, LA. Mr. Vetkoetter presented current photographs of the property and advised that there are no changes in the condition of the property.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to proceed with condemnation of property at 2902 Loriwood Drive, Haughton, 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. Vetkoetter reported that the Property Standards Board of Review has recommended that the owner of property at 1031 Wemple Road, Bossier City, LA, be allowed an additional 30 days in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations. He stated that if the owner has not complied within the 30-day time period, a condemnation hearing will be scheduled.

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Cook, to allow the owner of property at 1031 Wemple Road, Bossier City, LA, an additional 30 days in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** The matter will be reviewed at the October 3, 2012, regular meeting.

Mr. Hammack, Chairman of the Capital Improvements/Building and Grounds Committee, reported on a meeting of that committee, advising that he, Mr. Cochran, and Mr. Plummer were present. He stated that Mr. Altimus, Mr. Ford, Sheriff Whittington, Mr. Bobby Masters, Mr. Jim Firth, and Mr. Heath Lyles were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Avery, Mr. Brotherton, and Mr. Shewmake.

Mr. Hammack stated that Sheriff Whittington has requested renovation of the entrance to the Sheriff's Office on the first floor of the courthouse. He stated that funding is available for the project, and it is recommended by the committee that the low proposal of Boggs & Poole Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$65,320, be accepted. **Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to accept the proposal of Boggs & Poole Contracting**

Group, Inc., in the amount of \$65,320, to proceed with renovation of the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office on the first floor of the courthouse, and to authorize the President to execute documents, with the stipulation that the Sheriff's Office will be responsible for all costs associated with the purchase of audio/visual equipment.

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 5th day of September, 2012, that Rick Avery, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents or contracts in connection with the proposal of Boggs & Poole Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$65,320 for renovation of the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office on the first floor of the courthouse.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Altimus advised that in September, 2008, an Option to Purchase was executed with Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, for the purchase of 28.191 acres, Lot 1, Commerce Industrial Park, for location of a Bossier distribution facility. He stated that the Option provides that Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, was to construct a broad line Bossier distribution facility of at least 100,000 square feet on the property on or before 1,080 days from the date of closing on the property, that date being November 17, 2013. Mr. Altimus stated that the facility has not been constructed and Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, has requested a 365-day extension of the original purchase option to begin on November 17, 2013. Mr. Altimus stated that it is recommended that the requested 365-day extension be granted, with the stipulation that Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, will pay a deposit in the amount of \$20,000. He stated that in the event the facility is not constructed by November 17, 2014, the deposit will not be refunded. Mr. Altimus stated that if Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, completes construction of its new facility within the 365-day extension period, the deposit of \$20,000 will be refunded.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve an Extension Option between Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, City of Bossier City, and Bossier Parish Police Jury, to amend the Option to Purchase a 28.191-acre tract of land, Lot 1, Commerce Industrial Park, by extending the initial term referenced in Section 2 thereof for 365 days beyond the initial term described in Section 2 of the Option, and require a \$20,000 deposit from Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, to be non-refundable should the construction of a Doerle Bossier facility as previously agreed not be constructed by November 17, 2014, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents, subject to approval by the City of Bossier City.**

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 5th day of September, 2012, that it does hereby approve an Extension Option between Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, City of Bossier City, and Bossier Parish Police Jury, to amend the Option to Purchase a 28.191-acre tract of land, Lot 1, Commerce Industrial Park, by extending the initial term referenced in Section 2 thereof for 365 days beyond the initial term described in Section 2 of the Option.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a \$20,000 deposit from Doerle Bossier Property, LLC, is required, to be non-refundable should the construction of a Doerle Bossier facility as previously agreed not be constructed by November 17, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute documents.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
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Mr. Cochran requested that all Option to Purchase agreements currently in place for properties in the industrial park be reviewed. Mr. Altimus is to contact Mr. David "Rocky" Rockett, Greater Bossier Economic Development Foundation, to further discuss this matter.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt a resolution joining the National Moment of Remembrance of the 11th Anniversary of September 11th.

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

RESOLUTION

JOINING THE NATIONAL MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE 11TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH

WHEREAS, the governing body of Bossier Parish, LA, expresses its support of the United State's Senate regarding coming together as a Nation and ceasing all work or other activity for a moment of remembrance beginning 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on September 11, 2012, in honor of the 11th anniversary of the terrorist attacks committed against the United States on September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, at 8:46 a.m., on September 11, 2001, hijacked American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the upper portion of the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City, New York; and

WHEREAS, 17 minutes later, at 9:03 a.m., hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center; and

WHEREAS, at 9:37 a.m., the west wall of the Pentagon was hit by hijacked American Airlines Flight 77, the impact of which caused immediate and catastrophic damage to the headquarters of the Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS, at approximately 10:00 a.m., the passengers and crew of hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 acted heroically to retake control of the airplane and thwart the taking of additional American lives by crashing the airliner in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and, in doing so, gave their lives to save countless others; and

WHEREAS, nearly 3,000 innocent civilians were killed in the heinous attacks of September 11, 2001; and
WHEREAS, tens of thousands of individuals narrowly escaped the attacks at the Pentagon and World Trade Center and, as witnesses to this tragedy, are forever changed; and

WHEREAS, countless fire departments, police departments, first responders, governmental officials, workers, emergency medical personnel, and volunteers responded immediately and heroically to those horrific events; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department of New York suffered 343 fatalities on September 11, 2001, the largest loss of life of any emergency response agency in United States history; and

WHEREAS, the Port Authority Police Department suffered 37 fatalities in the attacks, the largest loss of life of any police force in United States history in a single day; and

WHEREAS, the New York Police Department suffered 23 fatalities as a result of the terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, the impact of the day on public health continues through 2012, as nearly 90,000 people are at risk of or suffering from negative health effects as a result of the events of September 11, 2001, including 14,000 workers, and 2,400 community residents who are sick, and tens of thousands of others whose health is being monitored; and

WHEREAS, 11 years later, the people of the United States and people around the world continue to mourn the tremendous loss of innocent life on that fateful day; and

WHEREAS, 11 years later, thousands of men and women in the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending the United States against those who seek to threaten the United States; and

WHEREAS, on the 11th anniversary of this tragic day, the thoughts of the people of the United States are with all of the victims of the events of September 11, 2001, and their families; and

WHEREAS, the lives of Americans were changed forever on September 11, 2001, when events threatened the American way of life; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Congress and the President joined together to designate September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance under the Serve America Act (Public Law 111-13; 123 Stat. 1460); and

WHEREAS, in September 2009 and 2010, President Obama issued Proclamation 8413 (74 Fed. Reg. 47045) and Proclamation 8559 (75 Fed. Reg. 56463) proclaiming September 11, 2009, and September 11, 2010, respectively, as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance; and

WHEREAS, September 11 will never, and should never, be just another day in the hearts and minds of all people of the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of Bossier Parish, LA: (1)
 recognize September 11, 2001, as a day of solemn commemoration of the events of September 11, 2001, and a day to come together as a Nation; and

(2) offers its deepest and most sincere condolences to the families, friends, and loved ones of the innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; and

(3) honors the heroic service, actions, and sacrifices of first responders, law enforcement personnel, State and local officials, volunteers, and countless others who aided the innocent victims of those attacks and, in doing so, bravely risked and often gave their own lives; and

(4) recognizes the valiant service, actions, and sacrifices of United States personnel, including members of the United States Armed Forces, the United States intelligence agencies, the United States diplomatic service, homeland security and law enforcement personnel, and their families, who have given so much, including their lives and wellbeing, to support the cause of freedom and defend the security of the United States; and

(5) reaffirms that the people of the United States will never forget the challenges our country endured on and since September 11, 2001, and will work tirelessly to defeat those who attacked the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on the 11th anniversary of this tragic day in United States history the governing body of Bossier Parish, LA, calls upon all the people and institutions of the United States to observe a moment of remembrance on September 11, 2012, including (i) media outlets; (ii) house of worship; (iii) military organizations; (iv) veterans organizations; (v) airlines; (vi) airports; (vii) railroads; (viii) sports teams; (ix) the Federal Government; (x) State and local governments; (xi) police, fire, and other public institutions; (xii) educational institutions; (xiii) businesses; and (xiv) other public and private institutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of Bossier Parish, LA, encourages the observance of the moment of remembrance to last for one minute beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, to the maximum extent practicable ceasing all work or other activity; and marking the moment in an appropriate manner, including by ringing bells, blowing whistles, or sounding sirens.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

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 PARISH SECRETARY

RICK AVERY, PRESIDENT
 BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the application of Baljit Sarai and Sanjeev Kaushal, for a 2012 beer license at Neighbors, 6050 Highway 157, Haughton, LA. The application has been approved by the Sheriff's Department and the 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. Shewmake, to adopt a resolution certifying compliance with public bid laws for State Project No. 576-08-0001(333)/N.009254, Flood Control Improvements to Tall Timbers Lateral, Phase 3.

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

STATE PROJECT NO: 576-08-0001(333)/H.009254
PARISH OF BOSSIER

RESOLUTION
CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH THE PUBLIC BID LAWS

Bossier Parish Police Jury

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury has solicited bids for funding of the State Project No. 576-08-0001(333)/H.009254 in accordance with the current bid laws of the State of Louisiana, including, but not limited to LA. R.S. 38:2211 *et seq*; and

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury has submitted to DOTD certification of proof of publication, one copy of the bid proposals and bid bonds as submitted by each of the three lowest bidders, a legible copy of the bid tabulation of all bids received, and certified to be correct by the engineer and an authorized official of the sponsor, a copy of the engineer's recommendation, contract documents, notice of award of contract, and a copy of the recordation data in the Clerk of Court's office,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session assembled on this 5th day of September, 2012, that it does hereby certify that the bidding procedures, including advertising and award, for State Project No. 576-08-0001(333)/H.009254 conform to the requirements of La. R.S. 38:2211, *et seq*.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

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Mr. Ford stated that Ordinance No. 3760, which allows each police juror, upon written petition submitted by the occupants of at least three separate dwellings, to accept three publicly dedicated gravel roads per year, with the sum total mileage of all three roads per juror not to exceed three road miles, was rescinded on August 1, 2012. He stated that Country Forest Lane was discussed at that time, advising that .32 mile of Country Forest Lane located in Country Forest Subdivision is gravel and the parish owns the right-of-way. Mr. Ford recommended acceptance of the .32 mile gravel portion of Country Forest Lane into the parish road system. After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to accept the .32 mile gravel portion of Country Forest Lane into the parish road system for permanent maintenance.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4452

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE .32 MILE GRAVEL PORTION OF COUNTRY FOREST LANE LOCATED OFF HIGHWAY 157 IN COUNTRY FOREST SUBDIVISION, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, INTO THE BOSSIER PARISH ROAD MAINTENANCE SYSTEM FOR PERMANENT MAINTENANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury on this 5th day of September, 2012, that it does hereby officially accept the .32 mile gravel portion of Country Forest Lane into the Bossier Parish Road System for permanent maintenance, as follows:

Country Forest Lane – approximately 0.32 mile gravel portion

Located off Highway 157 in Section 33, Township 17 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. It was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012, with the following vote recorded:

Yeas: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Darby

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to ratify acceptance of a proposal from Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$14,325 for surveying services for ballfields at the South Bossier Park, 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 5th day of September, 2012, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents and contracts in connection with the proposal of Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$14,325 for surveying services for ballfields at the South Bossier Park.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 3 on the Parks Road Realignment Project No. 2012-356, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$6,400. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve Plan Change No. 3 on the Parks Road Realignment Project No. 2012-356, 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 5th day of September, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 3 on the Parks Road Realignment Project No. 2012-356.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 3.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 3 on the Palmetto Road Widening, Phase I, Project No. 2012-369, advising that Plan Change No. 3 results in an additional cost of \$139,794.36. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve Plan Change No. 3 on the Palmetto Road Widening, Phase I, Project No. 2012-369, 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 5th day of September, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 3 on the Palmetto Road Widening, Phase I, Project No. 2012-369.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 3.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 3 on the Sligo Road Extension Project No. 2011-331, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$43,062. **Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve Plan Change No. 3 on the Sligo Road Extension Project No. 2011-331, 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 5th day of September, 2012, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 3 on the Sligo Road Extension Project No. 2011-331.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Rick Avery, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 3.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of September, 2012.

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Jurors were provided a copy of district reports from the highway department.

Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, presented information concerning a proposed update to the UDC Code to provide more comprehensive and improved architectural standards, advising that the Bossier City Council has appropriated \$30,000 to begin working with Master Plan consultants on the proposed revisions. Mr. Marsiglia asked that the police jury consider the proposed architectural standards for businesses within the five-mile area outside the corporate limits of the City of Bossier City, as well as its participation in the cost of consultant fees. The matter is to be considered at the September 19, 2012, regular meeting.

Mr. Altimus requested that the jurors review each proposal received for building code enforcement services. He stated that the jury needs to carefully consider all services needed by the parish, which include building code enforcement, flood plain services, community rating services, and stormwater services.

Mr. Altimus advised that the 4th Annual BPC 100 (Mini Nascar) Go-Kart Race will be held on Saturday, September 22, 2012, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Bossier Parish Community campus track.

Mr. Ford advised of a request to allow placement of an additional home on a tract of land owned by the Williams family on Parks Road. He stated that the property is owned by family heirs and there are currently multiple dwellings located on this tract of land. Mr. Ford stated that the family is now requesting that they be allowed to place another home on the property, and stated that parish regulations prohibit the location of more than one home on a single tract of land.

Mr. Ford advised that when the Buckhall Road project is complete, approximately \$70,000 in LGAP and CWF funds will be available for use on additional projects. He stated that proposals for the extension of a water line on Sligo Road have been discussed, and requested input from the jury regarding the use of these remaining grant funds. Mr. Ford recommended that the extension of a water line on Abner Road be considered for Village Water System. He stated that applications for 2013 LGAP funds will need to be submitted by Tuesday, September 11, 2012, and requested that jurors provide him with their recommendations as soon as possible.

Mr. Ford reported on a meeting with the Bossier City-MPC and the Bossier Parish School Board, advising that the school board will be taking a more active role in the subdivision review and approval process.

Mr. Ford reported that a Levee Board meeting will be held next Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the Jamestown Subdivision development across from Palmetto Park Subdivision and to review a proposed drainage storage pond which is to be attached to Flat River. He stated that maintenance of the pond, as well as access to the levee during a flood, are main concerns.

Mr. Ford reported that two noise complaints have been received on the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway, advising that noise barrier walls have been installed for 15 homes in this area, but two homes are not included in the original noise barrier wall plans. He stated that noise decibel levels have been tested at this site, and it has been determined that the homes could be impacted. Mr. Ford stated that the approximate cost to construct an additional noise barrier wall on the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway is approximately \$165,000. He requested that the matter be referred to the Subdivision Regulations Committee, and asked that the committee tour the site. The matter is to be further discussed at the September 19, 2012, regular meeting.

Mr. Ford reported that Highway 157 is included in the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Right-Sizing the State Highway System Program, and advised that a bridge on Highway 157 is closed due to bridge failure. He stated that a hydraulic analysis is needed to determine if the use of culverts is appropriate for this bridge, advising that the cost for the analysis is approximately \$7,000.

Mr. Ford requested that an item be placed on the September 19, 2012, regular meeting agenda to consider this matter.

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.

Mr. Andrews presented photographs of condemned property at 90 Princeton Lane, Princeton, LA, advising that parish crews have completed clean-up of the property. He stated that a lien on the property will be filed with the 26th Judicial District Clerk of Court's Office.

Mr. Cochran stated that he has received additional complaints regarding directional signs to the prison complex which are located at the intersection of LA Highway 3 and Highway 160. Mr. Andrews stated that he will contact the state to discuss this matter.

Mr. Brotherton presented a letter of appreciation from Haughton Middle School for the police jury's assistance in providing discretionary funds for the purchase of football game jerseys for the 7th and 8th grade football teams.

Ms. Bennett provided information regarding Constitutional Amendment No. 8 on the November 6th ballot, which authorizes the granting of ad valorem tax exemptions to "specific" eligible businesses undertaking a facility expansion or creation. She stated that these types of businesses will be beneficial to Bossier Parish, and encouraged jurors to support the amendment and to educate citizens. Mr. Altimus stated that he will post information regarding the proposed constitutional amendments provided by the Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana on the parish website for citizens to review.

Mr. Avery advised that a previous request from Airline High School for discretionary funds for the purchase of a covered hitting facility for the girls' softball program was removed from the April 18, 2012, finance agenda, for further review. He requested that this matter be placed on the September 19, 2012, Finance Committee meeting agenda for consideration.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of September, 2012, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 4:12 p.m.

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