

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 15th day of January, 2014, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jimmy Cochran, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Ms. Wanda Bennett, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Glenn Benton. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Cindy Dodson, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby
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. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney; Mr. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Engineer; Ms. Cindy Dodson, Parish Secretary.

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to adopt the minutes of the December 4, 2013, and the December 18, 2013, regular meetings, and the December 18, 2013, Finance Committee meeting, as published.

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

The President called for the election of officers for the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2014. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to nominate Mr. Doug Rimmer as President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2014.**

The President called for public comment. There being none and no further nominations, **votes were cast and Mr. Doug Rimmer was elected as President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2014, as follows:**

AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

NO VOTE RECORDED: Mr. Rimmer

The President called for nominations for Vice President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2014. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Avery, to nominate Mr. Jack Skaggs as Vice President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2014.**

The President called for public comment. There being none and no further nominations, **votes were cast and Mr. Jack Skaggs was elected as Vice President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2014, as follows:**

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Mr. Rimmer presented Mr. Cochran with an outgoing president's plaque in appreciation for his service as police jury president for the year 2013.

Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Darby, to appoint Mr. Bill Altimus as Parish Administrator for a one-year term.

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

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to appoint Ms. Cindy Dodson as Parish Secretary for a two-year term.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to appoint Ms. Sheryl Thomas as Parish Treasurer for a two-year term.

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

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider the emergency temporary suspension of Peddler's License No. 2013-001 issued on December 17, 2013, to Jerald Perkins, 443 Bayou View, El Lago, TX, for Freedom, Inc.

Mr. Jackson stated that Mr. Jerald Perkins received notification of today's hearing by letter via first class mail and certified mail, and requested that the record reflect that Mr. Perkins is not present at today's hearing.

Mr. Sammy Halphen, Director of Public Safety, stated that several complaints have been received by the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office from concerned citizens regarding suspicious persons said to be working for Freedom, Inc., going door-to-door in various areas of the parish. He advised that research has been conducted on Freedom, Inc., and it has been determined that there are several complaints filed with the Better Business Bureau regarding problems with Freedom, Inc. Mr. Halphen stated that the Sheriff's Office has also determined that some of the salesmen representing Freedom, Inc., did not have a valid form of identification and were found to be convicted felons. He stated that after

reviewing the application and license documents which were issued to Freedom, Inc., and being carried by the representatives of Freedom, Inc., it was determined that these documents had been altered without the police jury's knowledge or authorization.

Mr. Halphen recommended that current regulations pertaining to peddlers in the parish be amended to provide more stringent guidelines in order to better protect the citizens of Bossier Parish. He recommended that background checks be required for the applicant, and that the applicant be required to sign an affidavit verifying that he or she has no knowledge of any felony convictions, etc., for any employee of the company. Mr. Halphen further recommended that each employee be required to have valid photo identification on their person at all times, and that those identification documents be submitted to the police jury prior to issuance of a license.

Captain William Cox, Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office, advised that the Sheriff's Department has received approximately 22 calls regarding Freedom, Inc., during the period of December 17, 2013, to January 7, 2014, which has resulted in approximately 16 man hours being used on these calls alone.

Captain Cox stated that many of the companies conducting door-to-door sales are from out of state. He stated that the employees are dropped off in subdivisions with no means of transportation or funds, and are required to reach a certain quota before being picked up. Captain Cox stated that the Sheriff's Department has received some complaints of aggressive sales tactics being used. He stated that after speaking with one of the employees of Freedom, Inc., it was determined by a sheriff's deputy that the original application and license documents had been altered, and the employee did not have a valid form of identification. Captain Cox recommended that prior to the issuance of a peddler's license, a certain amount of vetting is needed on both the applicant and the company.

Mr. Jackson verified that during its investigation of complaints, the Sheriff's Office found that names had been added to the original application document without police jury authorization. Captain Cox advised that a portion of the information pertaining to the business owner had been marked through, and names had been added to the list of persons representing Freedom, Inc., without police jury authorization. He stated that after investigating the list of names, it was determined that some of the names listed were convicted felons and had outstanding non-expedient warrants from other states which prohibit the Sheriff's Office from making an arrest.

Mr. Jackson stated that according to Captain Cox's testimony, the peddler's application and license documents for Freedom, Inc., were altered and some of the names listed on the application were found to have a criminal history. He stated that due to information presented in this matter, the police jury has the authority to permanently revoke Peddler's License No. 2013-001, issued to Freedom, Inc.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to revoke Peddler's License No. 2013-001 issued on December 17, 2013, to Jerald Perkins, 443 Bayou View, El Lago, TX, for Freedom, Inc.

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

Mr. Jackson recommended that a 90-day moratorium be placed on the issuance of any further peddler's license in Bossier Parish.

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Cook, to place a 90-day moratorium on the issuance of any further peddler's license in Bossier Parish.

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 Jimmie Benson, to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 35.171-acre tract of land, located in Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential Low-Density District, for a residential subdivision. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Ms. Michan Holbrook, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., stated that the zoning amendment is for a proposed subdivision. She stated that stick built homes with sidewalks and streetlights are proposed.

Mr. Tom Richardson, representative of B A Kelly Land Co., Inc., stated that B A Kelly Land Co., Inc., owns the property adjacent to Mr. Benson's property. He stated that he is not in opposition of the proposed rezoning of the property, but is concerned regarding the previous excavation of the land. He stated that there is a two to eleven foot differential in the elevation between the two properties which has caused erosion and damage to trees on his property. Mr. Richardson presented a report from Raley & Associates, Inc., which recommended a five-foot buffer with a three-to-one maximum slope. He also presented a geotechnical engineering report from Geotechnical Engineering Services, Inc. Mr. Richardson stated that his primary concern is erosion.

Mr. Ford stated that any issues regarding the three-to-one slope will be addressed during the design phase of the project, and stated that construction of the subdivision is subject to water and sewer services being provided by the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No.1 of the Parish of Bossier.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve the application of Jimmie Benson, to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 35.171-acre tract of land, located in Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential Low-Density District, for a residential subdivision.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4517

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 35.171-ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCATED IN SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO R-LD, RESIDENTIAL LOW-DENSITY DISTRICT, FOR A RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 15th day of January, 2014, 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 35.171-acre tract of land, located in Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential Low-Density District, for a residential subdivision, being more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract of land containing 35.171 acres, more or less, located in Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the northwest corner of Victory Acres as recorded in Conveyance Book 141, Page 179 of the Records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, proceed North 00° 24' 19" East a distance of 1651.68 feet; thence proceed South 89° 38' 30" East a distance of 662.42 feet; thence proceed South 00° 24' 19" West a distance of 1651.68 feet; thence proceed North 89° 38' 30" West a distance of 260.59 feet to the northeast corner of Lot 12 of said Victory Acres; thence proceed along the east line of said Lot 12 South 00° 46' 43" West a distance of 841.07 feet; thence leaving the east line of said Lot 12 proceed North 89° 17' 04" West a distance of 170.66 feet; thence proceed South 00° 42' 56" West a distance of 315.69 feet; thence proceed along a curve to the left, said curve have a radius of 270.00 feet (chord bearing South 06° 07' 40" East a distance of 64.35 feet) an arc distance of 64.50 feet; thence proceed along a curve to the left, said curve have a radius of 20.00 feet (chord bearing South 59° 02' 28" East a distance of 28.81 feet) an arc distance of 32.16 feet to the north right-of-way of US Highway No. 80; thence proceed along said north right-of-way South 74° 53' 22" West a distance of 273.18 feet to the west line of Lot 13 of said Victory Acres; thence leaving said north right-of-way and along the west line of said Lot 13 proceed North 00° 43' 02" East a distance of 1307.15 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

NOTE:

This property description is prepared for zoning purposes only and not intended for the transfer of real property. A property boundary survey was not performed by Coyle Engineering Co., Inc. for this description.

Applicant: Jimmie Benson
Purpose: Residential subdivision

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15th day of January, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, SR. PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Minor Plat Prepared for the Exclusive Use of John Henry Vice and Betty Jane Hale Vice, located in Section 13, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Ford advised that the police jury approved the proposed plat of Prairie Flats Subdivision on September 3, 2003. He stated that only three lots in the subdivision have been sold, and the developer of Prairie Flats Subdivision is requesting that the remaining lots in the subdivision be abandoned. Mr. Jackson stated that in order for the police jury to abandon the remaining lots in the subdivision, the owners of the three lots sold must be notified of the proposed abandonment.

Mr. Ford requested that the matter be tabled, advising that a revised plat is necessary. He requested that a public hearing be scheduled at the February 5, 2014, regular meeting to consider approval of the revised plat, and to allow time for proper notification to the owners of Lots 3, 5 and 36 of the existing Prairie Flats Subdivision

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Benton, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the Minor Plat Prepared for the Exclusive Use of John Henry Vice and Betty Jane Hale Vice, located in Section 13, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, to allow proper notification to all property owners in Prairie Flats Subdivision of the proposed abandonment of the remaining lots in the subdivision; to be considered at the February 5, 2014, regular meeting.**

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

Mr. Mike Vetkoetter, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of property at 1745 Palmetto Road, Benton, LA, and reported that significant improvements have been made. He stated that due to the wet weather conditions, the owner has been unable to complete clean-up of the property. Ms. Bennett recommended that the property owner be allowed an additional 30 days in which to complete the clean-up of this property.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to allow the owner of property at 1745 Palmetto Road, Benton, 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 February 19, 2014, regular meeting.

Mr. Vetkoetter reported on a meeting of the Property Standards Board of Review, advising that it is recommended that condemnation hearings be scheduled to consider condemnation of property at 10503 Highway 3, Plain Dealing, LA, Lot 1, Family Estates Subdivision, Benton, LA, 212 Chimney Lane, Haughton, LA, and 1502 Wafer Road, Haughton, LA.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to schedule condemnation hearings on February 5, 2014, to consider condemnation of property at 10503 Highway 3, Plain Dealing, LA, Lot 1, Family Estates Subdivision, Benton, LA, 212 Chimney Lane, Haughton, LA, and 1502 Wafer Road, Haughton, LA.

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

Mr. Ford stated that street lights and street signs have not been installed in Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 17. He recommended that the request for acceptance of streets and drainage in Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 17, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance, be denied. Mr. Benton requested that whenever acceptance of these streets is approved, the developer must provide a new maintenance bond which is effective upon the police jury's acceptance of the streets.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to deny the request for acceptance of streets and drainage in Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 17, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance, and to require that if approved at a later date, the developer must provide a new maintenance bond.**

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. Cochran, to ratify approval of a request from Muddy Waters Sports Bar & Grill for a letter of no objection to the selling of alcohol and beer at Muddy Waters Sports Bar & Grill, 5000 Benton Road, Suite 15, Bossier City, LA, at a special event for any New Orleans Saints "NFL Playoff" games held during the month of January, 2014.

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. Cochran, to ratify approval of a request from Muddy Waters Sports Bar & Grill for a letter of no objection to the selling of alcohol and beer at Muddy Waters Sports Bar & Grill, 5000 Benton Road, Suite 15, Bossier City, LA, at a special 5th Annual Super Bowl Sunday event on February 2, 2014, from 12:00 p.m. until 12:00 a.m.

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

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Sam Merritt to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission Board of Directors for a six-year term, term to expire January 1, 2020.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** This is a joint appointment with the Town of Benton, and the Town of Benton has advised that they are in favor of Mr. Merritt's reappointment.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to table the matter of amending Chapter 86 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances "Solicitation Upon Private Residence", to be considered at the February 19, 2014, regular meeting.

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

Ms. Bennett presented a request from the Town of Benton asking that parish regulations relating to sewerage facilities and lot sizes be amended to be concurrent with state law. She advised that the police jury does not recommend any changes to parish regulations at this time. No action was taken.

Mr. Altimus stated that there has been discussion regarding a proposed separation of the Caddo/Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness and the creation of a Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness. He stated that the City of Bossier City has adopted a resolution supporting the proposed separation, and advised that Sheriff Julian Whittington has offered his support. Mr. Altimus recommended that if approved, the separation become effective July 1, 2014.

Mr. Altimus recommended that the police jury's Homeland Security Committee schedule a meeting with the City of Bossier City and the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office to discuss the creation of the Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness. He further recommended that additional entities become involved, suggesting that the Levee Board, Emergency Medical Services, and fire districts be included in all meetings concerning the Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve the separation of the Caddo/Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, and to approve the creation of the Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, to be effective July 1, 2014.**

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

Mr. Jackson advised that the long-term plan for the sewer district is to take in all individual sewer treatment plants located in the north corridor of Bossier Parish. He stated that the funds already received by the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 allows for approximately 4,500 customers, and advised that an opportunity has arisen to apply for an additional \$10 million Taxable Utilities Revenue Bonds for the sewer district to acquire sewer systems in northern Bossier Parish in an effort to extend the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 into that area. He stated that this extension of the district will include an additional 2,000 customers.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to adopt a resolution declaring the intention of the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (The "District"), to issue in the name of The District, Taxable Utilities Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, in an amount not to exceed Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) for the purpose of constructing and acquiring sewerage improvements and extensions to the waterworks and sewerage system of the issuer, including necessary land, equipment and furnishings, and all engineering, legal and other incidental costs and fees, including costs of issuance, incurred in connection therewith; generally describing said Taxable Utilities Revenue Bonds and the security therefor; authorizing the newspaper publication of a Notice of such intention setting forth a date and time when said governing authority will meet in open and public session to hear any objections to the proposed issuance of such bonds; providing for the filing of a petition by certain percentage of the electors of the District objecting to the issuance of the proposed bonds unless an election is held on the question of the issuance thereof; applying to the State Bond Commission for the approval of the issuance of the bonds; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Barry Butler, 1988 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, LA, asked if the proposed \$10 million bonds are in addition to the \$17.7 million bonds already obtained by the parish. Mr. Jackson confirmed that the \$10 million bonds are in addition to the \$17.7 million bonds received. Mr. Butler asked what the average sewerage bill will be with the additional \$10 million bonds. Mr. Jackson stated that water/sewerage bills will remain at an average rate of \$40 per customer.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, the following resolution was offered:

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ACTING AS THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF CONSOLIDATED WATERWORKS/SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, STATE OF LOUISIANA (THE "DISTRICT"), TO ISSUE IN THE NAME OF THE DISTRICT, TAXABLE UTILITIES REVENUE BONDS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND ACQUIRING IMPROVEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS TO THE SEWERAGE PORTION OF THE COMBINED WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM OF THE DISTRICT, INCLUDING NECESSARY LAND, EQUIPMENT AND FURNISHINGS, AND ALL ENGINEERING, LEGAL AND OTHER INCIDENTAL COSTS AND FEES, INCLUDING COSTS OF ISSUANCE, INCURRED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; GENERALLY DESCRIBING SAID TAXABLE UTILITIES REVENUE BONDS AND THE SECURITY THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF SUCH INTENTION SETTING FORTH A DATE AND TIME WHEN SAID GOVERNING AUTHORITY WILL MEET IN OPEN AND PUBLIC SESSION TO HEAR ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS; APPLYING TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "District"), now owns and operates a combined waterworks and sewerage system (the "Utilities System") and proposes to construct and acquire improvements and extensions to the sewerage portion of the Utilities System, including the payment of the cost of all necessary land, equipment and furnishings, and all engineering, legal and other incidental costs and fees, including costs of issuance, incurred in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, the District proposes to finance all or part of the costs thereof through the sale and issuance of not exceeding Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) of its Taxable Utilities Revenue Bonds (the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the District proposes that the Bonds will be issued in the manner prescribed by and under the authority of Part XIII, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 39:1011, *et seq.*), and other constitutional and statutory (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the District has no outstanding indebtedness payable from the revenues of the Utilities System; EXCEPT, Utilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2012 (the "Outstanding Parity Bonds")

WHEREAS, this Police Jury, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, now desires to authorize the giving and publication of notice of intention generally describing the Bonds and the security therefor, setting forth a date and time when they will meet in open and public session to hear any and all objections to the proposed issuance of the Bonds, providing for the filing of a petition by a certain hereinafter described percentage of the electors objecting to the issuance of the Bonds unless an election is held on the question of the issuance thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Police Jury"), acting as governing authority of the District, that:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of the Act, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, the District acting through this Police Jury does hereby declare its intention to issue not exceeding Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) of Taxable Utilities Revenue Bonds, of the District, in one or more series, the proceeds of which will be used for constructing and acquiring improvements and extensions to the sewerage portion of the Utilities System, including all necessary land, equipment and furnishings, and all engineering, legal and other incidental costs and fees, including costs of issuance. The Bonds, equally with the Outstanding Parity Bonds, shall be limited and special revenue bonds of the District, secured by and payable in principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, solely from the income and revenues derived or to be derived by the District from the operation of the Utilities System, after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the Utilities System. The Bonds shall not be a charge on the other income and revenues of the District as prohibited under the provisions of Article VI, Section 37 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, nor shall they constitute and indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the District. The Bonds will be exempt from all income taxation in the State of Louisiana and will be authorized and issued by resolution of this Police Jury. The Bonds shall be of such

series, bear such date, mature at such time or times (not to exceed twenty-two [22] years from their date of issuance), bear interest at such rate or rates (not exceeding ninety five-hundredths of one percent per centum [0.95%] per annum), be in such denomination or denominations, in fully registered form, carry such registration privileges, be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption and be entitled to such priorities on the income and revenues of the Utilities System as such resolution may provide.

The Police Jury will, in such resolution, enter into such covenants with the future owner or owners of the Bonds as to the management and operation of the Utilities System, the imposition and collection of rates and charges for the services rendered thereby, the disposition of such fees and revenues, the issuance of future bonds and the creation of future liens and encumbrances against the Utilities System and the revenues therefrom, the carrying of insurance on the Utilities System and the disposition of the proceeds of insurance, the keeping of books and records, and other pertinent matters as may be deemed proper by the District to assure the marketability of the Bonds, consistent with the provisions of the Act. Such resolution will also include remedies in case of default, provision for the issuance of parity bonds, and such additional covenants, agreements and provisions as are judged advisable or necessary by the District for the security of the bonds, including a sinking fund and a reserve fund for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and an adequate depreciation fund for those repairs, extensions and improvements to the Utilities System as may be necessary to assure adequate an efficient service to the public, all as provided by the Act.

SECTION 2. The Bonds will be sold at a private sale to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, and may be issued and sold in installments as needed, all as provided for in the Act and other statutory authority.

SECTION 3. The Bonds shall, before the delivery thereof, be approved by the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

SECTION 4. This Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the District, will meet in open and public session on **Wednesday, February 19, 2014, at two o'clock (2:00) p.m.**, at the Police Jury Room, Courthouse Building, Benton, Louisiana, to hear any objections to the proposed issuance of the Bonds; provided, however, if at such hearing a petition duly signed by the electors of the District is a number not less than five percent (5%) of the number of the electors of the District voting in the last special or general election held in the District object to the issuance of the Bonds, then the Bonds shall not be issued until approved by vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the District who vote at a special election held for that purpose in the manner provided by Chapter 6-B, Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. Any such petition shall be accompanied by a certificate of the Bossier Parish Registrar of Voters certifying that the signers of the petition are registered electors of the District and the number of signers amounts to not less than five percent (5%) of the registered voters that voted in the last election held in the District, all as provided by the Act.

SECTION 5. The President of the Police Jury is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to publish an appropriate notice of the intention of the District to issue the Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this resolution and the Act. Such notice of intention shall embody in a general way substantially all the provisions of this resolution hereinabove set out and shall be published in four (4) consecutive weekly issues of "The Bossier Press Tribune", a newspaper of general circulation in the District and published in the City of Bossier City, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and shall be in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE NOT EXCEEDING
\$10,000,000 OF TAXABLE UTILITIES REVENUE BONDS
OF CONSOLIDATED WATERWORKS/SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE
PARISH OF BOSSIER, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted on January 15, 2014, by the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Police Jury"), acting as the governing authority of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "District"), and in accordance with the provisions of Part XIII, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the "Act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority, that the District does hereby declare its intention to issue not exceeding Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) of Taxable Utilities Revenue Bonds, of the District (the "Bonds"), the proceeds of which will be used to finance the costs of constructing and acquiring improvements and extensions to the sewerage portion of the waterworks and sewerage system (the "Utilities System"), including necessary land, equipment and furnishings, including costs of issuance. The Bonds, equally with the then outstanding Utilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2012 (collectively, the "Outstanding Parity Bonds"), shall be limited and special obligations of the District, secured by and payable in principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, solely from the income and revenues derived or to be derived by the District from the operation of the Utilities System, after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the Utilities System. The Bonds shall not be a charge on the other income and revenues of the District as prohibited under the provisions of Article 6, Section 37 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, nor shall they constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the District. The Bonds will be exempt from all income taxation in the State of Louisiana and will be authorized and issued by resolution of the Police Jury and shall be in one or more series, bear such date, mature at such time or times (not to exceed twenty-two [22] years from their date of issuance), bear interest at such rate or rates (not exceeding ninety five-hundredths of one percent per centum [0.95%] per annum), be in such denomination or denominations, be in fully registered form, carry such registration privileges, be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption and be entitled to such priorities on the income and revenues of the Utilities System as such resolution may provide. The authority to issue such Bonds shall be in addition to any other authority.

The Police Jury will in such resolution enter into such covenants with the future owner or owners of the Bonds as to the management and operation of the Utilities System, the imposition and collection of rates and charges for the services rendered thereby, the disposition of such fees and revenues, the issuance of future bonds and the creation of future liens and encumbrances against the Utilities System and the revenues therefrom, the carrying of insurance, the keeping of books and records, and other pertinent matters as may be deemed proper by said Police Jury to assure the marketability of the Bonds, consistent with the provisions of the Act. Such resolution will also include remedies in case

of default, provisions for the issuance of parity bonds and such additional covenants, agreements and provisions as are judged advisable or necessary by the Police Jury for the security of the Bonds, including a sinking fund and a reserve fund for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds, and an adequate depreciation fund for those repairs, extensions and improvements to the Utilities System as may be necessary to assure adequate and efficient service to the public, all as provided by the Act.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Bonds are expected to be sold at a private sale, as provided for in the Act, to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, and that the Bonds will, before the delivery thereof, be approved by the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Police Jury, acting as the governing authority of the District, will meet in open and public session on **Wednesday, February 19, 2014, at two o'clock (2:00) p.m.**, at the Police Jury Room, Courthouse Building, Benton, Louisiana, to hear any objections to the proposed issuance of the Bonds; provided, however, if at such hearing a petition duly signed by electors of the District in a number not less than five percent (5%) of the number of the electors of the District voting in the last special or general election held in the District object to the issuance of the Bonds, then the Bonds shall not be issued until approved by a vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the District who vote at a special election held for that purpose in the manner provided by Chapter VI-A, Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. Any such petition shall be accompanied by a certificate of the Bossier Parish Registrar of Voters certifying that the signers of the petition are registered electors of the District and the number of signers amounts to not less than five percent (5%) of the registered voters that voted in the last election held in the District, all as provided by the Act.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Benton, Louisiana, on this, the 15th day of January, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, SR., PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

SECTION 6. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., of New Orleans, Louisiana, as Bond Counsel, is hereby employed to do and perform work of a traditional legal nature as bond counsel with respect to the issuance and sale of said Bonds. Said Bond Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of such Bonds, shall counsel this Governing Authority as to the issuance thereof and shall furnish its opinions covering the legality of the issuance of the Bonds. The fee of Bond Counsel is fixed at a sum not exceeding the fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee guidelines for such bond counsel work in connection with the issuance of revenue bonds and based on the amount of said Bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses, said fees to be contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of said Bonds. A certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State.

SECTION 7. Government Consultants of Louisiana, Inc., has served and will serve as financial advisor to the District. The financial advisor is not a public accounting firm and has not been engaged by the District to compile, review, examine or audit any information which has or may be provided to potential purchasers of the Bonds in accordance with accounting standards. The Financial Advisor is an independent advisory firm and will not participate in the underwriting of the Bonds.

SECTION 8. Application is hereby made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority for the District, to issue, sell and deliver the Bonds, all in the manner provided by Part XIII, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing and acquiring improvements and extensions to the sewer collection system. The Bonds will mature over a period not exceeding twenty-two (22) years and will bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding ninety-five hundredths of one percent (0.95%) per annum (which includes any administrative fee) and will be sold at par. The Bonds shall be secured by and payable in principal and interest solely from the income and revenues derived or to be derived by the District from the operation of the System, after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the System.

SECTION 9. By virtue of District's application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, the District resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.", adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other product(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 15th day of January, 2014.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cook, to accept the proposal of Professional Service Industries, Inc., in the amount of \$20,000 to provide construction materials testing and observation services for the Force Main Project, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, and to authorize the execution of 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 15th day of January, 2014, that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, and/or William Altimus, Parish Administrator, 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 Professional Service Industries, Inc., in the amount of \$20,000 to provide construction materials testing and observation services for the Force Main Project, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cook. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15th day of January, 2014.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to accept the proposal of Professional Service Industries, Inc., in the amount of \$80,000 to provide construction materials testing and observation services for the Waste Treatment Project, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, and to authorize the execution of 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 15th day of January, 2014, that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, and/or William Altimus, Parish Administrator, 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 Professional Service Industries, Inc., in the amount of \$80,000 to provide construction materials testing and observation services for the Waste Water Treatment Project, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15th day of January, 2014.

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Mr. Ford presented Change Order No. 3 on the Edwards Subdivision Wastewater Collection System Project, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$16,508. **Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to approve Change Order No. 3 on the Edwards Subdivision Wastewater Collection System Project, 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 15th day of January, 2014, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 3 on the Edwards Subdivision Wastewater Collection System Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 3.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Ms. Bennett. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15th day of January, 2014.

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Mr. Altimus extended congratulations to Ms. Bennett, advising that the Police Jury Association has submitted her name to the Governor for consideration for appointment to the State Water Resource Commission.

Mr. Altimus presented a request from the Bossier Parish School Board for a letter from the police jury supporting the school board in its efforts to secure grant funds from the Department of Education for early childhood educational services.

Ms. Sonja Bailes, Bossier Parish School Board, requested a letter of support from the police jury to support their efforts in securing a one-time \$150,000 grant through the Department of Education in regard to academic standards for entering kindergarten.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Darby, to amend the agenda to authorize a letter supporting the Bossier Parish School Board in its efforts to secure grant funds from the Department of Education for early childhood educational services.

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. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs
- NAYS: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Darby, to authorize a letter supporting the Bossier Parish School Board in its efforts to secure grant funds from the Department of Education for early childhood educational services.

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

Mr. Ford provided an update on the sewer plant project for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No.1.

Mr. Ford provided an update on South Bossier Park, advising that fencing should be complete by the end of the week. He stated that a pavilion and playground are planned.

Mr. Ford advised that a utility meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. in the police jury conference room regarding several projects that will require relocation of utilities.

Mr. Ford provided an update on the proposed new school on Kingston Road and in Haughton, and on the new technical school.

Mr. Ford provided an update on the Willow Chute Hazard Mitigation grant project.

Mr. Ford advised that a meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. with Sligo Water System to discuss the possible purchase of the water system by the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1.

Mr. Ford stated that a Utility Transportation Economic Summit will be hosted by the police jury on February 11, 2014, in the police jury meeting room. He stated that several entities will be invited to attend.

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

Mr. Andrews stated that striping on Bodcau Station Road is to be complete when the weather warms up.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to amend the agenda to declare property at 103 Glendale Lane, Lot 363, Country Place Subdivision, Unit No. 5, Tax Assessment 119000, as surplus.

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. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs
- NAYS:** None
- ABSTAIN:** None
- ABSENT:** None

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to declare property at 103 Glendale Lane, Lot 363, Country Place Subdivision, Unit No. 5, Tax Assessment 119000, as surplus.

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

Mr. Benton reported on efforts by the Police Jury Association to promote and encourage a reduction in flood insurance rates in Louisiana, and requested that Bossier Parish officials discuss this matter with Congressman Fleming at the upcoming Washington Mardi Gras.

Mr. Jackson advised that federal law prohibits any discussion with citizens, except with the designated police jury employee, pertaining to negotiations for the purchase of property as required for certain projects. He requested that all citizens needing information pertaining to negotiations be directed to contact his office.

Mr. Jackson extended appreciation to Benton Mayor Wayne Cathcart for allowing him and Ms. Bennett to speak at a town council meeting to discuss the future of the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission. He stated that he is preparing a proposal for consideration by the Town of Benton.

Finance Committee Meeting – January 15, 2014, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 15th day of January, 2014, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with all members present.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$161.25 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of December, 2013, as follows:

Emergency Power Systems	\$150.00
Louisiana Key & Lock Service	\$ 11.25

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

Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of December, 2013.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to table consideration of a request from Louisiana New Tech @ Plain Dealing for discretionary funds for the purchase of new uniforms and equipment for the baseball team.

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

Mr. Altimus provided an update on the Juvenile Detention Center, advising that the population at the detention center is approximately 12 to 14 per day. He stated that the police jury currently reserves space for a maximum of 23 juveniles at the facility. Mr. Altimus stated that surrounding parishes are utilizing the detention center as well, which helps fund the center. He stated that Representative Jeff Thompson is working with Bossier Parish District Attorney Schuyler Marvin on proposed legislation to allow video conferencing at the detention center, advising that this will help to reduce transportation costs.

Mr. Altimus reported on the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter, advising that the shelter stays at capacity and is doing well.

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to amend the agenda to consider a request from Louisiana New Tech @ Plain Dealing for discretionary funds for the purchase of new uniforms and equipment for the baseball team.

The Chairman 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. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Hammack, that Mr. Cook will contribute matching discretionary funds in the amount of \$750, and Ms. Bennett, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Rimmer, and Mr. Shewmake will contribute matching discretionary funds in the amount of \$250 each, for a total of \$1,750.00 in matching discretionary funds to Louisiana New Tech @ Plain Dealing for the purchase of new uniforms and equipment for the baseball team.

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

The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 15th day of January, 2014, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:55 p.m.

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